

To encompass the three glycerol ester of rosins (wood, gum, and tall oil) in the section heading for § 172.735, the petitioner has requested, and the agency concurs, that the section heading for § 172.735 should be changed from *Glycerol ester of wood or gum rosin* to *Glycerol ester of rosin*.

FDA also considered the petitioner's request to include steam stripping as an alternative method to countercurrent steam distillation (presently listed in § 172.735) for purifying the rosin esters in § 172.735. Steam stripping is the method listed in the chewing gum base regulation (§ 172.615) for purifying GEWR, GEGR, and GETOR. As additional information, the petitioner provided the most recent specifications for GEWR adopted by the Joint Food and Agriculture Organization/World Health Organization (FAO/WHO) Expert Committee on Food Additives (JEFCA, 46th session, 1996), which lists steam stripping, as well as countercurrent steam distillation as purification methods. FDA concludes that steam stripping is an acceptable method for purifying the rosin esters in § 172.735 and that this method, along with the specifications in the regulation, will ensure that the additive is of suitable purity for the intended use. Therefore § 172.735 is amended to include steam stripping as a purification method.

III. Inspection of Documents

In accordance with § 171.1(h) (21 CFR 171.1(h)), the petition and the documents that FDA considered and relied upon in reaching its decision to approve the petition will be made available for inspection at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition by appointment with the information contact person (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**). As provided in § 171.1(h), the agency will delete from the documents any material that is not available for public disclosure before making the documents available for inspection.

IV. Environmental Impact

The agency has previously considered the environmental effects of this rule as announced in the notice of filing for FAP 6A4765 (71 FR 34623). No new information or comments have been received that would affect the agency's previous determination that there is no significant impact on the human environment and that an environmental impact statement is not required.

V. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This final rule contains no collection of information. Therefore, clearance by the Office of Management and Budget

under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 is not required.

VI. Objections

Any person who will be adversely affected by this regulation may file with the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**) written or electronic objections. Each objection shall be separately numbered, and each numbered objection shall specify with particularity the provisions of the regulation to which objection is made and the grounds for the objection. Each numbered objection on which a hearing is requested shall specifically so state. Failure to request a hearing for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on that objection. Each numbered objection for which a hearing is requested shall include a detailed description and analysis of the specific factual information intended to be presented in support of the objection in the event that a hearing is held. Failure to include such a description and analysis for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on the objection. Three copies of all documents are to be submitted and are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Any objections received in response to the regulation may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 172

Food additives, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

■ Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, and redelegated to the Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, 21 CFR part 172 is amended as follows:

PART 172—FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED FOR DIRECT ADDITION TO FOOD FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

■ 1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 172 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 321, 341, 342, 348, 371, 379e.

■ 2. Section 172.735 is amended by revising the section heading, introductory text, and paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 172.735 Glycerol ester of rosin.

Glycerol ester of wood rosin, gum rosin, or tall oil rosin may be safely used in food in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

(a) It has an acid number of 3 to 9, a drop-softening point of 88 to 96 °C; and a color of N or paler as determined in accordance with Official Naval Stores Standards of the United States. It is purified by countercurrent steam distillation or steam stripping.

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Dated: August 15, 2007.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD 008-07-017]

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Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Ouachita River, LA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulation.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operations of the U.S. 165 Bridge, Mile 110.1, Columbia, Louisiana across the Ouachita River. This deviation allows the bridge to remain closed-to-navigation from 8 a.m., August 6, 2007 until its removal from the waterway on August 31, 2007. The deviation is necessary in order to prepare the bridge for demolition.

DATES: This temporary deviation is effective from 8 a.m., August 6, 2007 until August 31, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Materials referred to in this document are available for inspection or copying at Room 2.107F in the Robert A. Young Federal Building, 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, MO 63103-2832, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Bridge Administration Branch maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roger K. Wiebusch, Bridge Administrator, (314) 269-2378.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Louisiana Department of Transportation requested a temporary deviation for the U.S. 165 Bridge, mile 110.1, at Columbia, Louisiana across the Ouachita River as preparation work is required on the bridge in advance of its

scheduled demolition. The U.S. 165 Bridge currently operates in accordance with 33 CFR 117.483, which requires the drawbridge to open on signal if at least one hour notice is given. In order to facilitate the pre-demolition work, the drawbridge must be kept in the closed-to-navigation position. This deviation allows the drawbridge to remain closed-to-navigation from 8 a.m., August 6, 2007 until August 31, 2007. If the removal occurs prior to August 31, 2007, we will cancel this deviation via notice published in the local notice to mariners.

There are no alternate routes for vessels transiting this section of the Ouachita River.

The U.S. 165 Bridge, in the closed-to-navigation position, provides a vertical clearance of 50.2 feet above normal pool. Navigation on the waterway consists primarily of commercial tows and recreational watercraft. This temporary deviation has been coordinated with waterway users. No objections were received.

At the end of the designated time period, a Final Rule will be processed to remove this bridge from 33 CFR 117.483.

Dated: August 1, 2007.

Roger K. Wiebusch,
Bridge Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. CGD05-07-080]

RIN 1625-AA87

Security Zone; M/V Odyssey III, Global Air Chiefs Conference, Upper Potomac River, Washington, DC

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary security zone in certain waters of the Upper Potomac River surrounding the motor vessel Odyssey III, a 230-foot passenger vessel. This action is necessary in order to ensure the security of high-ranking public officials and safeguard the public at large against terrorist acts or incidents during activities associated with a dinner cruise held in conjunction with the Global Air Chiefs Conference, in Washington, DC, on September 23, 2007. This rule prohibits vessels and

people from entering the security zone and requires vessels and persons in the security zone to depart the zone, unless specifically exempt under the provisions in this rule or granted specific permission from the Coast Guard Captain of the Port Baltimore, Maryland, or his designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 3 p.m. through 5 p.m. on September 23, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket CGD05-07-080 and are available for inspection or copying at Coast Guard Sector Baltimore, Waterways Management Division, between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Ronald Houck, at Coast Guard Sector Baltimore, Waterways Management Division, at telephone number (410) 576-2674 or (410) 576-2693.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM. The Coast Guard is establishing this temporary security zone to coordinate security operations and establish a secure environment for this highly visible and publicized event. The publication of an NPRM is impracticable and contrary to the public interest as there is not sufficient time to publish an NPRM and get comments before issuing a final rule.

Background and Purpose

The ongoing hostilities in Afghanistan and Iraq have made it prudent for U.S. ports and waterways to be on a higher state of alert because the al Qaeda organization and other similar organizations have declared an ongoing intention to conduct armed attacks on U.S. interests worldwide. Due to increased awareness that future terrorist attacks are possible, the Coast Guard, as lead federal agency for maritime homeland security, has determined that the Captain of the Port Baltimore must have the means to be aware of, detect, intercept, and respond to asymmetric threats, acts of aggression, and attacks by terrorists on the American homeland while still maintaining our freedoms and sustaining the flow of commerce. This security zone is part of a comprehensive port security regime designed to safeguard human life, vessels, and

waterfront facilities against sabotage or terrorist attacks.

In this particular rulemaking, to address the aforementioned security concerns before, during, and after the highly-publicized public event, and to take steps to prevent the catastrophic impact that a terrorist attack against high-ranking public officials and the public at large before, during, and after a dinner cruise held on the Upper Potomac River for visiting foreign dignitaries would have on the public interest, the Captain of the Port, Baltimore, Maryland is establishing a security zone upon waters of the Upper Potomac River, encompassing an area 100 yards in all directions around the passenger vessel Odyssey III while moored, underway or anchored on the Upper Potomac River. This security zone will help the Coast Guard to prevent vessels or persons from engaging in terrorist actions against a large number of participants during the event. Due to these heightened security concerns, and the catastrophic impact a terrorist attack on the passenger vessel Odyssey III would have on the large number of participants, and the surrounding area and communities, a security zone is prudent for this type of event.

Discussion of Rule

From September 20, 2007, through September 29, 2007, the U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff (CSAF) will host the Global Air Chiefs Conference, in Washington, DC. In conjunction with this event, the CSAF has invited his counterparts from around the world to attend a dinner cruise on the Upper Potomac River on board the passenger vessel Odyssey III. The cruise will occur on Sunday, September 23, 2007. This security zone is necessary to prevent vessels or persons on waters of the Upper Potomac River, encompassing an area 100 yards in all directions around the passenger vessel Odyssey III while moored, underway or anchored, from approaching the vessel and thereby bypassing the security measures for the event established by the United States Air Force Office of Special Investigations. Vessel traffic in the Upper Potomac River will be restricted. Except for Public vessels and vessels at berth, mooring or at anchor, this rule requires all vessels in the designated security zone, as defined by this rule, underway at the time this security zone is implemented to immediately proceed out of the security zone. Entry into this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or his designated representative. The Captain of the Port will issue Notices to Mariners to