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Robert deV. Frierson,
Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards will meet Monday, November 18, 2002 and Tuesday, November 19, 2002 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., in room 7C13 of the General Accounting Office building, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards will hold a meeting to discuss issues that may impact government auditing standards. The meeting is open to the public. Council discussions and reviews are open to the public. Members of the public will be provided an opportunity to address the

Council with a brief (five minute) presentation on Tuesday afternoon.

Any interested person who plans to attend the meeting as an observer must contact Jennifer Allison, Council Assistant, 202-512-3423. A form of picture identification must be presented to the GAO Security Desk on the day of the meeting to obtain access to the GAO Building. For further information, please contact Ms. Allison. Please check the Government Auditing Standards web page (www.gao.gov/govaud/ybk01.htm) one week prior to the meeting for a final agenda.

Marcia B. Buchanan,
Assistant Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Adoption and Foster Care Analysis Reporting System for title IV-B and title IV-E.

OMB No.: 0980-0267.

Description: Section 479 of title IV-E of the Social Security Act directs States to establish and implement an adoption and foster care reporting system. The purpose of the data collected is to inform State/Federal policy decisions, program management, respond to Congressional and Departmental inquiries. Specifically, the data is used for short/long-term budget projects, trend analysis, and to target areas for improved technical assistance. The data will provide information about foster care placements, adoptive parents, length of time in care, delays in termination of parental rights and placement for adoption.

Respondents: 52.

Annual Burden Estimates:

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
AFCARS Electronic Submission	52	2	3,251	338,104
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours	338,104

In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families in soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Administration, Office of Information Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the

proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

Dated: October 15, 2002.

Robert Sargis,
Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 02D-0371]

Draft Guidance for Industry on Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Human Dura Mater; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of the draft guidance entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Human Dura Mater; Draft Guidance for Industry and FDA." Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is issuing a proposed rule to classify human dura mater into class II (special controls). This draft guidance document was developed as the special controls guidance. It also updates the

information in the "Guidance for the Preparation of a Premarket Notification Application for Processed Human Dura Mater" issued on October 14, 1999. This guidance is neither final nor is it in effect at this time.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on this draft guidance by January 21, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for single copies on a 3.5" diskette of the draft guidance document entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Human Dura Mater; Draft Guidance for Industry and FDA" to the Division of Small Manufacturers, International, and Consumer Assistance (HFZ-220), Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, 1350 Piccard Dr., Rockville, MD 20850. Send two self-addressed labels to assist that office in processing your request, or fax your request to 301-443-8818. Submit written comments concerning this guidance to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Comments should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for information on electronic access to the guidance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles N. Durfor, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ-410), Food and Drug Administration, 9200 Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301-594-3090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

At a public meeting held on September 16 and 17, 1999, the Neurological Devices Panel (the Panel) recommended that human dura mater be classified into class II. The Panel also commented on the information in the "Guidance for the Preparation of a Premarket Notification Application for Processed Human Dura Mater" that was issued on July 31, 1999, and was subsequently reformatted and reissued with the same title on October 14, 1999. The draft guidance entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Human Dura Mater; Draft Guidance for Industry and FDA" was developed as a special controls guidance to support the classification of human dura mater into class II and to update and supersede the information in the October 14, 1999, guidance document. Following the effective date of a final rule classifying the device, any firm submitting a 510(k) premarket notification for human dura mater will need to address the issues

covered in the special control guidance. However, the firm need only show that its device meets the recommendations of the guidance or in some other way provides equivalent assurances of safety and effectiveness.

II. Significance of Guidance

This draft guidance is being issued consistent with FDA's good guidance practices (GGP) regulation (21 CFR 10.115). This draft guidance document represents the agency's current thinking on special controls for human dura mater. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the applicable statutes and regulations. This draft guidance document is issued as a level 1 guidance consistent with the GGP regulations.

III. Electronic Access

In order to receive a copy of the "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Human Dura Mater; Draft Guidance for Industry and FDA" via your fax machine, call the CDRH Facts-On-Demand system at 800-899-0381 or 301-827-0111 from a touch-tone telephone. Press 1 to enter the system. At the second voice prompt press 1 to order a document. Enter the document number (054) followed by the pound sign (#). Follow the remaining voice prompts to complete your request.

Persons interested in obtaining a copy of the draft guidance may also do so using the Internet. CDRH maintains an entry on the Internet for easy access to information, including the text, graphics, and files that may be downloaded to a personal computer with Internet access. Updated on a regular basis, the CDRH home page includes the human dura mater guidance document, device safety alerts, **Federal Register** reprints, information on premarket submissions (including lists of approved applications and manufacturers' addresses), small manufacturers' assistance, information on video conferencing and electronic submissions, Mammography Matters, and other device-oriented information. The CDRH home page may be accessed at <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh>.

IV. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This guidance contains information collection provisions that are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). The collections of information in sections 3 and 7 through 12 of this

guidance were approved under OMB control number 0910-0120.

V. Comments

You may submit to the Dockets Management Branch (see **ADDRESSES**) written or electronic comments on "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Human Dura Mater; Draft Guidance for Industry and FDA." You must submit three copies of any comments. Individuals may submit one copy. You must identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Comments are available for public examination in the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated: September 30, 2002.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH) Notice of Availability of an Expert Panel Report on the Current Validation Status of *In Vitro* Endocrine Disruptor Screening Methods and a Proposed List of Substances for Validation of *In Vitro* Endocrine Disruptor Screening Methods; Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The NTP Interagency Center for the Evaluation of Alternative Toxicological Methods (NICEATM) announces the availability of a report entitled, "The Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM) Expert Panel Report on the Current Status of *In Vitro* Test Methods for Detecting Endocrine Disruptors" and a list of substances proposed by the ICCVAM Endocrine Disruptor Working Group (EDWG) for the validation of *in vitro* endocrine disruptor screening methods. Final versions of the Background Review Documents (BRDs) reviewed at the May 21-22, 2002 expert panel meeting and the summary minutes of this meeting are also available. The NICEATM invites public comment on the expert panel report and the proposed list of substances for validation.