

Proposed Rules

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
[9 CFR Part 319]

FRANKFURTERS AND CERTAIN OTHER COOKED SAUSAGE PRODUCTS

Substitute Proposal for Standards;
Correction

In FR Doc. 73-5011 appearing at page 6898 of the issue for Wednesday, March 14, 1973, the following change in wording is made in the statement of considerations, second paragraph, third sentence: "Compliance with the principal provisions of the order was originally required by March 19, 1973, but the effective date of the Court Order was later extended by the District Court to and including September 6, 1973."

Done at Washington, D.C., on April 5, 1973.

F. J. MULHERN,
Administrator, Animal and
Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs
[21 CFR Part 308]

SCHEDULES OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

Proposed Placement of Methaqualone and
Its Salts in Schedule II

Based upon the investigations of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs and upon the scientific and medical evaluation and recommendation of the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, received pursuant to section 201(b) of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 (21 U.S.C. 811(b)), the Director of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs finds that methaqualone and its salts:

- (1) Have a high potential for abuse;
- (2) Have a currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States; and
- (3) May, when abused, lead to severe physical and psychological dependence.

Therefore, under the authority vested in the Attorney General by section 201(a) of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 (21 U.S.C. 811(a)), and delegated to the Director, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs by § 0.100 of title 28 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the Director proposes that § 308.12 of title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations be amended by the addition of a new paragraph (e) to read:

§ 308.12 Schedule II.

(e) *Depressants*.—Unless specifically excepted or unless listed in another schedule, any material, compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of the following substances having a depressant effect on the central nervous system:

(1) Methaqualone and its salts..... 2565

All interested persons are invited to submit their comments or objections in writing regarding this proposal. These comments or objections should state with particularity the issues concerning which the person desires to be heard. Comments and objections should be submitted in quintuplicate to the hearing clerk, Office of Chief Counsel, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, Department of Justice, room 611, 1405 I Street NW., Washington, D.C. 20537, and must be received no later than May 14, 1973.

In the event that an interested party submits objections to this proposal which present reasonable grounds for this rule not to be finalized and requests a hearing in accordance with 21 CFR 308.45, the party will be notified by registered mail that a hearing on these objections will be held at 10 a.m. on May 21, 1973, in room 1210, 1405 I Street NW., Washington, D.C. 20537. If objections submitted do not present such reasonable grounds, the party will so be advised by registered mail.

If no objections presenting reasonable grounds for a hearing on the proposal are received within the time limitations, and all interested parties waive or are deemed to waive their opportunity for the hearing or to participate in the hearing, the Director may cancel the hearing and, after giving consideration to written comments, issue his final order pursuant to 21 CFR 308.48 without a hearing.

A petition dated March 8, 1973, was submitted to the Director by Robert M. Brandon and Steven T. Wax, co-Directors of the Task Force on Drug Abuse, and four other persons under the provisions of section 201(a) of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970 (21 U.S.C. 811(a)) requesting that the Director initiate proceedings to place methaqualone and four other substances in schedule II. On April 4, 1972, the Bureau received a letter from the American Public Health Association requesting to join in the foregoing petition (37 FR 9500). In light of the investigation of the Bureau and the recommendation of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare referred to earlier, it is not necessary to deter-

mine whether the grounds upon which the petitioners relied in the petition are sufficient in themselves to justify the initiation of the requested proceedings. The question of whether any one of the petitioners has standing as an "interested party" is also academic and a decision in this regard is hereby reserved.

Dated April 6, 1973.

JOHN E. INGERSOLL,
Director, Bureau of
Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[47 CFR Parts 2, 18, 21, 73, 74, 89, 91,
93]

[Docket No. 18262]

LAND MOBILE SERVICE IN CERTAIN FREQUENCIES

Order Regarding Oral Argument

In the matter of an inquiry relative to the future use of the frequency band 806-960 MHz; and amendment of parts 2, 18, 21, 73, 74, 89, 91, and 93 of the rules relative to operations in the land mobile service between 800 and 960 MHz, Docket No. 18262.

1. On March 13, 1973, the Commission adopted an "Order for Oral Presentation" in the above-entitled proceeding published at page 7340 in the issue of Tuesday, March 20, 1973. In that order, the Commission established dates (May 7 and 8, 1973) for interested parties to present oral arguments to the Commission.

2. Since the adoption of that order, it has become necessary, for administrative reasons, to reschedule the oral argument dates to May 14 and 15, 1973. This rescheduling should be welcomed by the interested parties since they will have a longer period of time to prepare their arguments.

3. Accordingly, it is ordered, Pursuant to the authority in § 0.251(b) of the Commission's rules and regulations, that oral argument in the above-entitled proceeding is rescheduled to May 14 and 15, 1973, and will begin at 9:30 a.m. on May 14, 1973.

Adopted April 3, 1973.

Released April 4, 1973.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
COMMISSION,
[SEAL] JOHN W. PETTIT,
General Counsel.

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