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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 7 December 2001, has been received from the United States.

Import Tolerances for Animal Drugs; Extension of Comment Period

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is extending to 11 March 2002, the comment period for the advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) that appeared in the Federal Register of 10 August 2001 and was notified as G/SPS/N/USA/489. The ANPRM gave notice that FDA was proposing a regulation for establishing import tolerances. The ANPRM was soliciting comments on issues related to the implementation of the import tolerances provision in section 4 of the Animal Drug Availability Act of 1996 (ADAA). The ADAA authorizes FDA to establish drug residue tolerances (import tolerances) for imported food products of animal origin for drugs that are used in other countries, but that are unapproved new animal drugs in the United States. Food products of animal origin that are in compliance with the import tolerance will not be considered adulterated under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and may be imported into the United States. FDA is taking action because it has rescheduled the public meeting on the issue and wishes to allow time for the consideration of comments made after the meeting.

Submit written or electronic comments by 11 March 2002.

The addendum, including instructions for commenting, is available from the address below:

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