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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99F-2997]

Engelhard Corp.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Engelhard Corp. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 1-naphthelenesulfonic acid, 2-[(4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-Sulfopheny)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)azo]-, strontium and calcium salt (1:1) (C.I. Pigment 209 and C.I. Pigment 209:1) as colorants for polymers intended for food-contact applications.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 9B4691) has been filed by Engelhard Corp., Pigments and Additives Group, 3400 Bank St., Louisville, KY 40212. The petition proposes to amend the food

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additive regulations in § 178.3297 *Colorants for polymers* (21 CFR 178.3297) to provide for the safe use of 1-naphthelenesulfonic acid, 2-[(4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-Sulfopheny)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)azo]-, strontium and calcium salt (1:1) (C.I. Pigment 209 and C.I. Pigment 209:1) as colorants for polymers intended for food-contact applications.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR, 25.32(i) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a

significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Dated: August 25, 1999.

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