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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food And Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99F-5111]

Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of acid-catalyzed condensation reaction products of *branched* 4-nonylphenol, formaldehyde, and 1-dodecanethiol for use as an antioxidant in adhesives, pressure-sensitive adhesives, and repeated-use rubber articles intended for use in contact with food.

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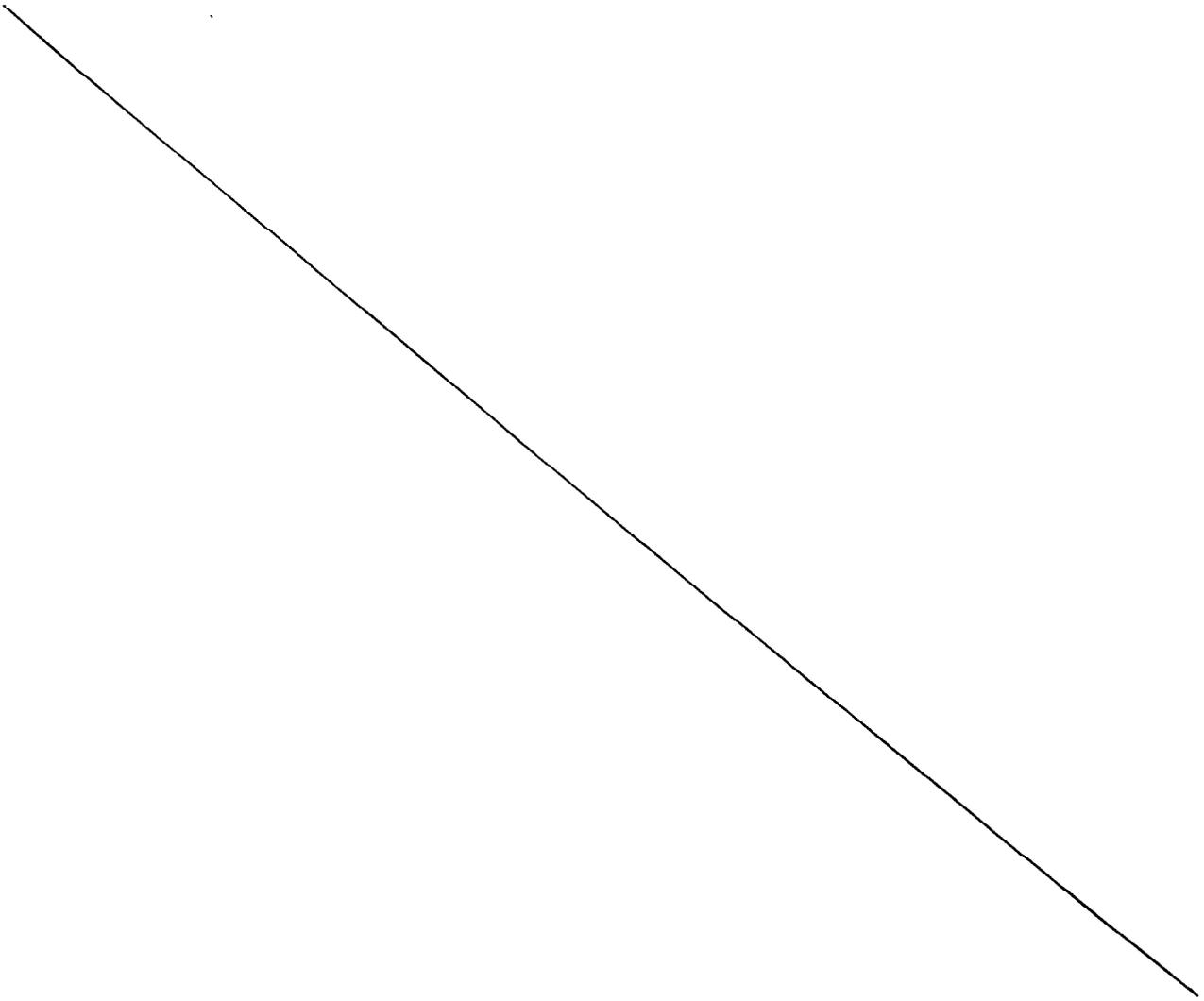
Washington, DC 20204,

202-418-3081.

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 0B4703) has been filed by Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., c/o Keller and Heckman LLP, 1001 G St. NW., suite 500 West, Washington, DC 20001. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations

in § 178.2010 Antioxidants and/or stabilizers (21 CFR 178.2010) to provide for the safe use of acid-catalyzed condensation reaction products of *branched* 4-nonylphenol, formaldehyde, and 1-dodecanethiol for use as an antioxidant in adhesives, pressure-sensitive adhesives, and repeated-use rubber articles intended for use in contact with food.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(i) that this action is of the 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: November 22, 1999  
November 22, 1999

signed: Alan M. Rulis  
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Director, Office of Premarket  
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