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Avecia Inc.; Withdrawal of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal, without prejudice to a future filing, of a food additive petition (FAP 6B4516) proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of 2-methyl-4,5-trimethylene-4-isothiazolin-3-one as a preservative for paper and paperboard coatings used in contact with food.

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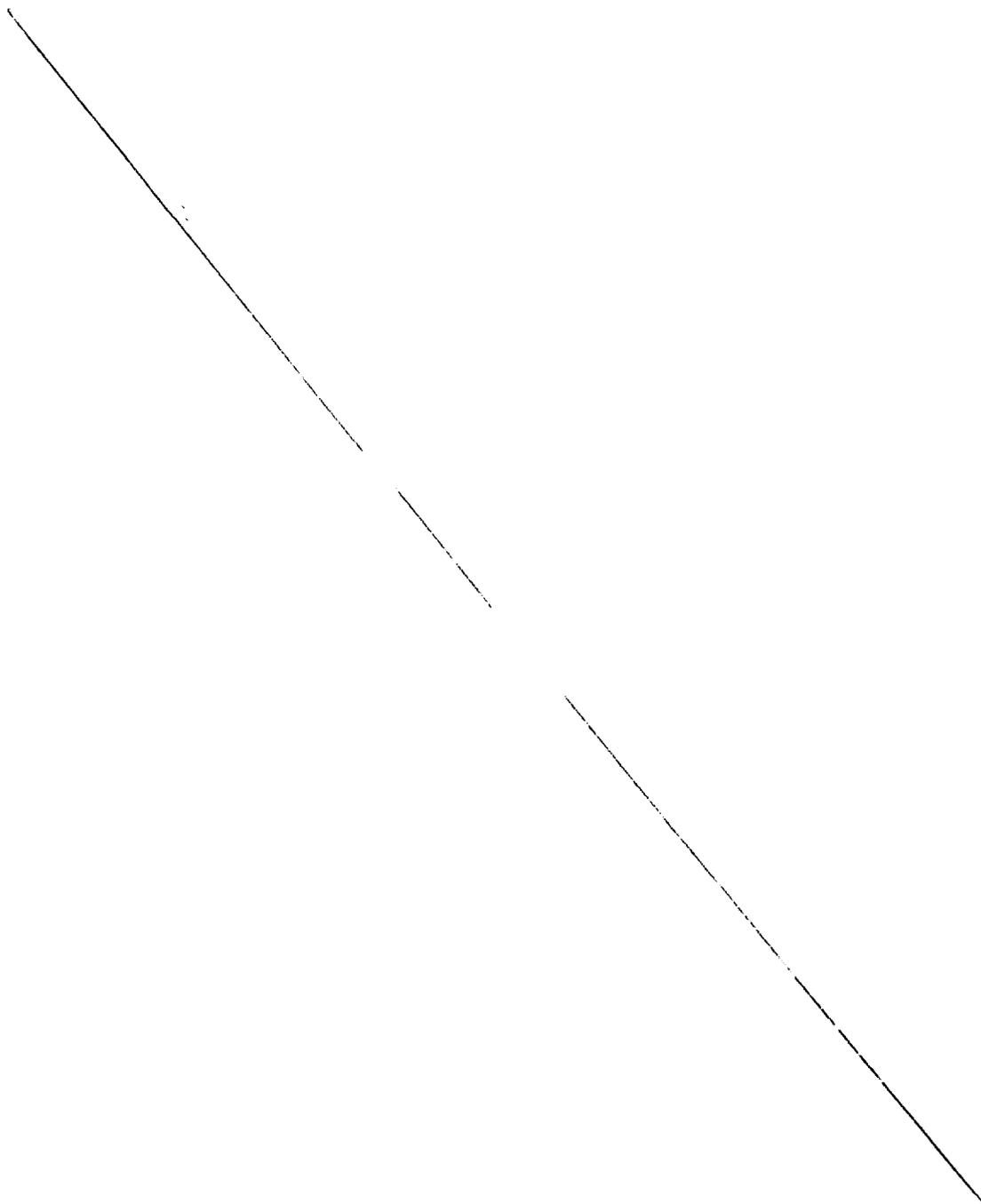
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the FEDERAL REGISTER of August 27, 1996 (61 FR 44067), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 6~4516) had been filed by Zeneca Inc., Foulkstone 1405, 2d, 1800 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE 19850-5457. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations in § 176.170 Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods (21 CFR 176.170) to provide

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for the safe use of 2-methyl-4,5-trimethylene-4-isothiazolin-3-one as a preservative for paper and paperboard coatings used in contact with food. Since publication of the filing notice, Zeneca Inc.'s, specialty chemicals group has been spun-off to



form a new company, Avecia Inc., 1405 Foulk Road^d, Wilmington, DE 19850-5457. Avecia Inc.^I has now withdrawn the petition without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

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