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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99F-5522]

Food Irradiation Coalition c/o National Food Processors

Association; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is-announcing that The National Food Processors Association, on behalf of The Food Irradiation Coalition, has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of ionizing radiation for control of food-borne pathogens, and extension of shelf-life, in a variety of human foods up to a maximum irradiation dosage of 4.5 kilograys (kGy) for non-frozen and non-dry products, and 10.0 kGy for frozen or dry products.

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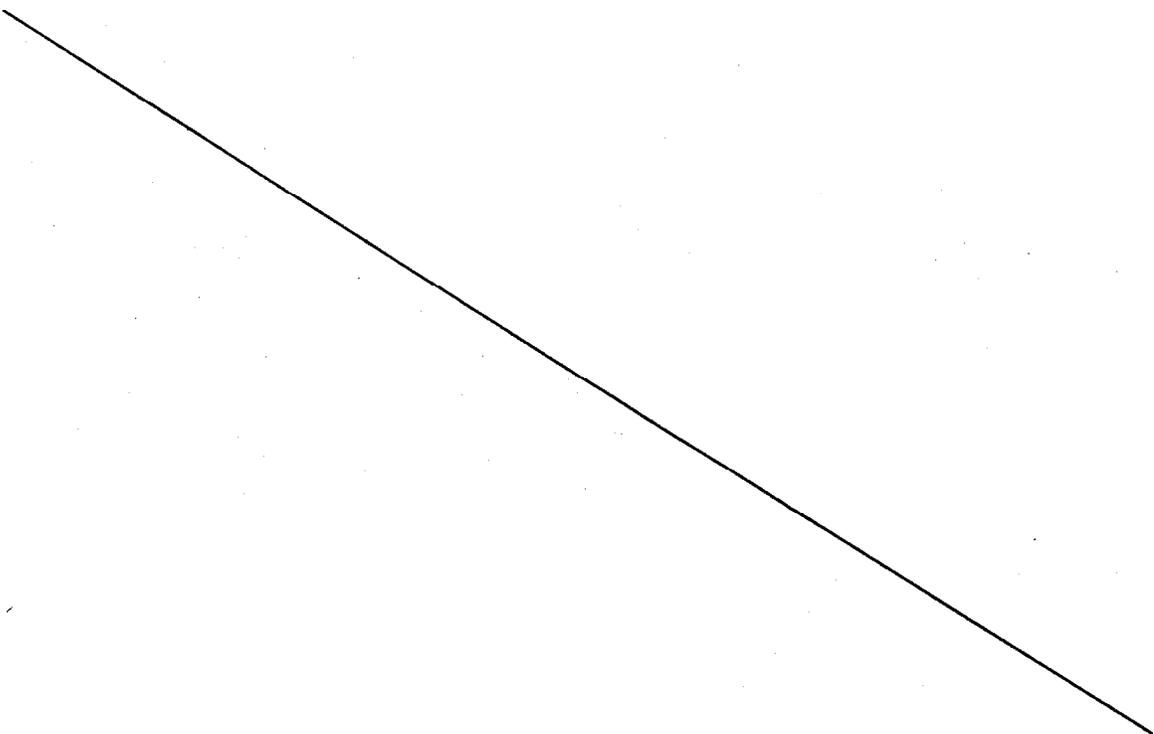
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 9M4697) has been filed by The National Food Processors Association on behalf of The Food

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Irradiation Coalition, 1350 I St. NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20005. The petition proposes that the food additive regulations in part 179 ~~Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food~~ (21 CFR part 179) be amended to provide for the safe use of ionizing radiation for control of food-borne pathogens, and extension of shelf-life, in a variety of human foods up to a maximum irradiation dosage of 4.5 kGy for non-frozen and non-dry products, and 10.0 kGy for frozen or dry products, including: (1) Pre-processed meat and poultry; (2) both raw and pre-processed vegetables, fruits, and other agricultural products of plant origin; (3) certain multi-ingredient food products. The petition does not cover products composed in whole or in part of raw meat, poultry, or fish nor does it cover "ready-to-eat" fish products or ingredients made from fish.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(j) 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: December 20, 1999.
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