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Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request; User Fee Cover Sheet; Form FDA 3397

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Fax written comments on the collection of information by *[insert date 30 days after date of publication in the Federal Register]*.

ADDRESSES: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is still experiencing significant delays in the regular mail, including first class and express mail, and messenger deliveries are not being accepted. To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that written comments be faxed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attn: Fumie Yokota, Desk Officer for FDA, FAX: 202-395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Nelson, Office of Management Programs (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In compliance with 44 U.S.C. 3507, FDA has submitted the following proposed collection of information to OMB for review and clearance.

User Fee Cover Sheet; Form FDA 3397—(OMB Control Number 0910–0297—Extension

Under sections 735 and 736 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379h), the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992 (PDUFA) (Public Law 102–571), as amended by the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997 (Public Law 105–115), and the Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments of 2002 (Public Law 107–188), FDA has the authority to assess and collect user fees for certain drug and biologics license applications and supplements. Under this authority, pharmaceutical companies pay a fee for certain new human drug applications, biologics license applications, or supplements submitted to the agency for review. Because the submission of user fees concurrently with applications and supplements is required, review of an application by FDA cannot begin until the fee is submitted. Form FDA 3397, the user fee cover sheet, is designed to provide the minimum necessary information to determine whether a fee is required for review of an application, to determine the amount of the fee required, and to account for and track user fees. The form provides a cross-reference of the fee submitted for an application with the actual application by using a unique number tracking system. The information collected is used by FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) and Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER) to initiate the administrative screening of new drug applications, biologics license applications, and supplemental applications.

Respondents to this collection of information are new drug and biologics manufacturers. Based on FDA's database system for fiscal year (FY) 2002, there

are an estimated 225 manufacturers of products subject to PDUFA. However, not all manufacturers will have any submissions and some may have multiple submissions in a given year. The total number of annual responses is based on the average number of submissions received by FDA in FY 2000 through 2002. CDER estimates 2,494 annual responses that include the following submissions; 105 new drug applications; 1,557 chemistry supplements; 670 labeling supplements; and 162 efficacy supplements. CBER estimates 737 annual responses that include the following submissions; 11 biologics license applications; 640 manufacturing (chemistry) supplements; 72 labeling supplements; and 14 efficacy supplements. Based on previous estimates, the rate of submissions is not expected to change significantly in the next few years. The estimated hours per response are based on past FDA experience with the various submissions and range from 5 to 30 minutes. The hours per response are based on the average of these estimates.

In the **Federal Register** of July 3, 2003 (68 FR 39954), FDA published a 60-day notice requesting public comment on the information collection provisions. No comments were received.

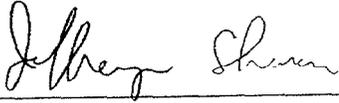
Table 1.—Estimated Annual Recordkeeping Burden¹

21 CFR Section	No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
FDA 3397	225	14.36	3,231	0.30	969
Total					969

¹There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

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