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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 98F-1199]

Zeneca Biocides; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Zeneca Biocides has filed a petition 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 coatings intended for use in contact with aqueous food.

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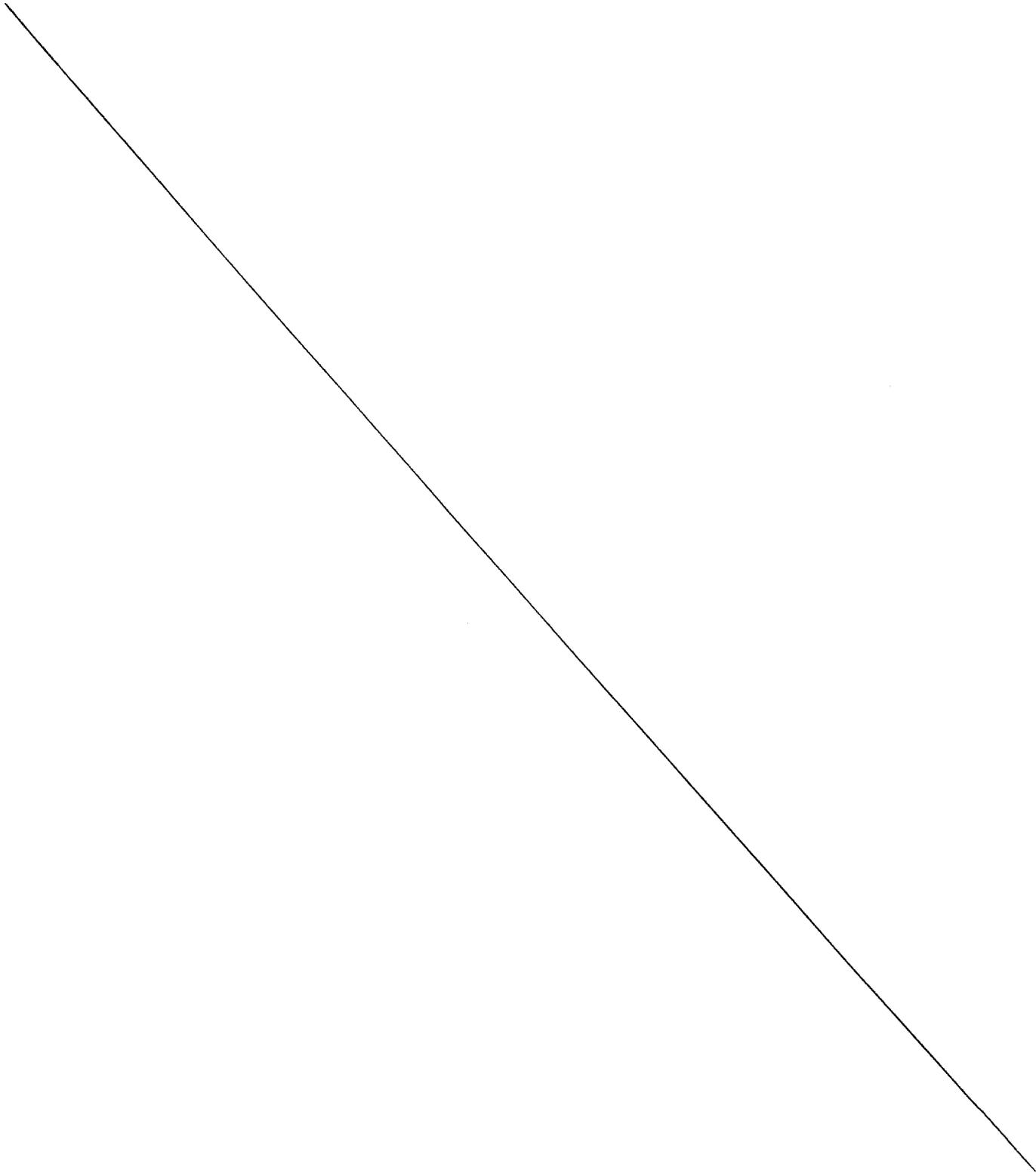
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 7B4525) has been filed by Zeneca Biocides, Foulkstone 1405, 2nd, 1800 Concord Pike, P.O. Box 15457, Wilmington, DE 19850-5457. The petition proposes 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 for the safe use of 2-methyl-4,5-

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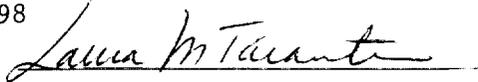
trimethylene-4-isothiazolin-3-one as a preservative for paper coatings intended for use in contact with aqueous foods.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(q) 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.

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