

TOBACCO COMPLIANCE WEBINAR

# STANDALONE GRANDFATHERED SUBMISSIONS

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**A grandfathered tobacco product** is a tobacco product commercially marketed (other than exclusively in test markets) in the United States as of February 15, 2007. Grandfathered products are regulated under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act), and do not require prior authorization to be legally marketed.



A **grandfathered tobacco product** is not considered a new tobacco product and does not need prior authorization through a substantial equivalence application, exemption to substantial equivalence application, or premarket tobacco product application.

**1**

Standalone grandfathered submissions are for regulated tobacco products

**2**

Submissions are for finished tobacco products

**3**

Submissions are voluntary



A **tobacco product** is “any product made or derived from tobacco that is intended for human consumption, including any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product (except for raw materials other than tobacco used in manufacturing a component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product).” *(section 201(rr) of the FD&C Act)*



**A finished tobacco product** is a tobacco product, including all components and parts, sealed in final packaging intended for consumer use.

FDA does not intend to review grandfathered status for component parts and accessories of regulated tobacco products that are sold or distributed solely for further manufacturing into finished tobacco products.

1

Grandfathered products may serve as predicate tobacco products in a substantial equivalence report

2

Helps with future biennial tobacco manufacture inspections conducted by FDA investigators



- 1** Submissions should be labeled as “Grandfathered Submissions”, identified with applicant’s name, and the tobacco product name as of February 15, 2007
- 2** Each tobacco product should be submitted as a separate grandfathered submission
- 3** Submit electronically via CTP Portal using FDA’s eSubmitter or mail to CTP’s Document Control Center

**1** UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION

**2** TEST MARKET INFORMATION

**3** EVIDENCE OF COMMERCIAL MARKETING AS OF FEBRUARY 15, 2007

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## UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION

FDA

Name of the tobacco product listed in submission should be the **exact name** of the tobacco product as it was commercially marketed on February 15, 2007

NAME ON 2/15/2007

Acme X Hard Pack

NAME IN 2009

Acme Y Hard Pack

1

## UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION

FDA

Name of the tobacco product listed in submission should be the **exact name** of the tobacco product as it was commercially marketed on February 15, 2007

NAME ON 2/15/2007

Acme Lights 100's

NAME IN 2009

Acme Y 100's

1

## UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION

FDA

# CIGAR

## CHARACTERISTICS

PACKAGE TYPE

QUANTITY

LENGTH

DIAMETER

TOBACCO CUT SIZE

FLAVOR

*\*These are examples of the characteristics we have received in previous submissions. FDA may need additional characteristics for your specific product to uniquely identify the tobacco product\**

# SMOKELESS

## CHARACTERISTICS

PACKAGE TYPE

QUANTITY

PORTION COUNT

PORTION MASS

TOBACCO CUT SIZE

FLAVOR

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## UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION

FDA

# RYO:CO-PACKAGE/KITS

## CHARACTERISTICS

### **SUB-PRODUCT A: RYO FILLER**

PACKAGE TYPE / QUANTITY / FLAVOR

### **SUB-PRODUCT B: FILTERED CIGARETTE TUBES**

PACKAGE TYPE / QUANTITY / LENGTH / DIAMETER / FLAVOR

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## FULL NAME OF TOBACCO PRODUCT

Name must match the name identified in the submission and it must be the name of the product as it was marketed as of February 15, 2007

## RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL

Should be from an individual who has knowledge of the test marketing status of the tobacco product as of February 15, 2007 and has the authority to make such a statement

## STATEMENT

Definitive statement that the tobacco product under review was commercially marketed other than for test marketing in the United States as of February 15, 2007



“I, *(insert name and position title of responsible official)*, confirm that the tobacco product associated with this Grandfathered Submission, *(insert name of tobacco product as it was on February 15, 2007)*, was commercially marketed other than for test marketing in the United States as of February 15, 2007.”

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Smith", is written over a horizontal blue line.

John Smith  
Vice President

## EXAMPLES OF DOCUMENTATION OF COMMERCIAL MARKETING

Dated Copies of Advertisements

Dated Catalog Pages

Dated Promotional Material

Dated Trade Publications

Dated Bills of Lading

Dated Freight Bills

Dated Waybills

Dated Invoices

Dated Purchase Orders

Dated Customer Receipts

Dated Manufacturing Documents

Dated Distributor or Retailer  
Inventory Lists

## PROVIDE LINK BETWEEN EVIDENCE & NAME

For example, a statement or chart to correlate the product code in an invoice to the product that is the subject of the grandfather submission. An explanation breaking down the various elements of the code to explain how it is linked to the tobacco product under review.

## HIGHLIGHT ANY DIFFERENCES

For example, if an invoice says there are five boxes in a pack, the manufacturer would inform FDA that the tobacco product is shipped to the retailer in packs of five, but are broken up and sold individually.

## Invoice

Date: 2/15/2007  
Invoice # 08-1009

## Ship From

Warehouse EX13  
Company A  
30901 New Shirahamp Avenue  
Golden Autumn, MD 30902  
222-222-2222  
Customer ID --

## Ship To

Smith, Jane  
Distributor B  
9301 Generic Road  
Dallas, TX 75001  
123-456-7890  
Customer ID RY

Salesperson	Job	Shipping Method	Shipping Terms	Default Date	Payment Terms	Due Date
				02/15/2007	Due on receipt	03/15/2007

Qty	Item #	Description	Unit Price	Discount	Line Total
5	MGU-0700	ACME L-100 0787	20.00	0.00	100.00
5	JP-1050	PROD M-100-08-150001700	15.00	0.00	75.00
5	RJY-0013	PROD R-K 08-585504888	10.00	0.00	50.00
5	JC-1983	PROD LW-K 08-231232142	25.00	0.00	125.00

Total Discounts: 0.00 350.00

Total Due: 350.00

Sales Tax: 87.50

Total: 437.50

Make all checks payable to Company A

**Thank you for your business!**

Company A, 30901 New Shirahamp Avenue, Golden Autumn, MD 30902, Phone 222-222-2222 Fax 111-000-1111

## Description

ACME L-100 0787

“The item noted on Invoice #08-1009 as ‘ACME L-100 0787’ is the same as ‘Acme Lights 100’s.’”



John Smith  
Vice President

## COMMON PUBLIC RESOURCES FOR FINDING COMMERCIAL MARKETING EVIDENCE

Internet Website Archives

Online Libraries

USPTO Trademark Database

United States Copyright Office Copyright Catalog

SEC Edgar Database

Search Engines



Mr. John Smith  
Vice President  
Company A  
30901 New Shirehamp Ave.  
Golden Autumn, MD 30902

Re: Submission Tracking Number (STN): GF1500787  
Tobacco Product Name: Acme Lights 100's  
Date of Submission: January 03, 2015  
FDA Receipt Date: January 03, 2015

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter acknowledges the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) receipt of your grandfathered (GF) submission for which you have asked the Center for Tobacco Products (CTP) for a determination whether the referenced tobacco product was commercially marketed as of February 15, 2007. It has been assigned the Submission Tracking Number (STN) designated above. Please refer to this STN for all future correspondence and questions that relate to this GF submission. If further information is needed or a determination about your submission is made, you will be notified.

For specific questions regarding this letter or the submission referenced above, please send an email to CTP-Grandfather@fda.hhs.gov.

We encourage you to submit all regulatory correspondence electronically via the CTP Portal (<https://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Manufacturing/ucm515047.htm>) using eSubmitter (<http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/FDAeSubmitter>). The FDA's Electronic Submission Gateway (ESG) is still available as an alternative to the CTP Portal. If necessary, submissions may be mailed to:

Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Tobacco Products  
Document Control Center (DCC)  
Building 71, Room G335  
10903 New Hampshire Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002

Re: Submission Tracking Number (STN): GF1500787  
Tobacco Product Name: Acme Lights 100's  
Date of Submission: January 03, 2015  
FDA Receipt Date: January 03, 2015

**1****INCONSISTENT NAMING****2****INADEQUATE EVIDENCE OF COMMERCIAL MARKETING AS  
OF FEBRUARY 15, 2007****3****EVIDENCE PROVIDED DOES NOT COLLECTIVELY SHOW  
COMMERCIAL MARKETING AS OF FEBRUARY 15, 2007**

## UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION

“The name of the product associated with this Grandfathered Submission is **‘Acme Lights 100’s’**”

## TEST MARKET INFORMATION

“I, John Smith, confirm that the tobacco product associated with this Grandfathered Submission, **Acme Lights 100’s**, was commercially marketed other than for test marketing in the United States as of February 15, 2007.”

## COMMERCIAL MARKETING EVIDENCE AS OF FEBRUARY 15, 2007

“The item noted on Invoice #08-1009 as ‘ACME L-100 0787’ is the same as **‘Acme Lights 100’s’**”



## Invoice

Date: 2/15/2007  
Invoice # 08-1009

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Make all checks payable to Company A

**Thank you for your business!**

Company A 30901 New Shirehamp Avenue, Golden Autumn, MD 30902, Phone 222-222-2222 Fax 111-000-1111

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Qty

Item #

Description

5

MGU-0700

ACME L-100 0787

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**Thank you for your business!**

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# U.S. PRODUCT CATALOG

## FALL 2006



### PRODUCT L

NAME	SIZE	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	PROMO PRICE
PROD L-100	5.5x56	20	20.00	18.00
PROD L-200	6.5x44	20	20.00	18.00
PROD L-300	6x40	20	20.00	18.00
PROD L-400	6x52	25	25.00	20.00


### INVENTORY LIST

COMPANY A

30901 New Shirehamp Avenue  
Golden Autumn, MD 30902  
222-2222-2222  
111-000-1111

DATE: 2/1/2007

Inventory No.	Item Description	Purchase Price	Quantity	Location
MGU-0700	PROD L-100 0787	20.00	5	Dallas, TX
JJ-5110	PROD Z-500 843599513	25.00	2	Dallas, TX



### Invoice

Date: 2/19/2007  
Invoice # 08-0830

<b>To</b>	Smith, Jane Company B 9301 Generic Road Dallas, TX 75001 123-456-7890 Customer ID RY	<b>Ship To</b>	Smith, Jane Company B 9301 Generic Road Dallas, TX 75001 123-456-7890 Customer ID RY
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Salesperson	Job	Shipping Method	Shipping Terms	Delivery Date	Payment Terms	Due Date
				02/25/2007	Due on receipt	03/15/2007

Qty	Item #	Description	Unit Price	Discount	Line Total
10	MGU-0700	PROD L-100 0787	20.00	0.00	200.00
5	JJ-5110	PROD Z-500-843599513	25.00	0.00	125.00



Mr. John Smith  
Vice President  
Company A  
30901 New Shirehamp Ave.  
Golden Autumn, MD 30902

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We have reviewed your submission, in which you ask the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to determine whether the tobacco product referenced above was commercially marketed in the United States as of February 15, 2007 and, therefore, is a "grandfathered" tobacco product. Based on the information you provided, we have determined that the tobacco product qualifies for grandfathered status and is not subject to the premarket review requirements set forth in Section 910(a)(2) of the Federal, Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act), as amended by the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act.

Further, we have determined that the tobacco product is eligible to serve as a predicate tobacco product for a 905(i) report (demonstrating substantial equivalence) because the tobacco product was commercially marketed (other than in a test market) as of February 15, 2007. Please be advised that this letter reflects FDA's determination of the above-referenced tobacco product's grandfathered and predicate status only. It does not reflect an agency determination to grant or deny a marketing application referencing the product.

Our grandfather status determination for this product is based on the information you provided in support of this submission. We did not review information concerning the composition, design, or ingredients of this product in order to make our determination. Please note that our determination applies only to this product in the form it was marketed as of February 15, 2007. Any modification to the product would render the product a "new tobacco product" subject to premarket review requirements.

Please note that all regulated tobacco products, including grandfathered tobacco products, are subject to other requirements of the FD&C Act and implementing regulations, including, but not limited to, annual registration, listing of products, listing of ingredients, labeling and advertising requirements, misbranding, and adulteration. In addition, tobacco products may be subject to other federal statutes and regulations. It is your responsibility to ensure that your products comply with all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements.

For more information on your responsibilities under the FD&C Act, we encourage you to visit our website at <http://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts>. You may also obtain information by contacting FDA's Center for Tobacco Products at 1-877-CTP-1373, [AskCTP@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:AskCTP@fda.hhs.gov), or [SmallBiz.Tobacco@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:SmallBiz.Tobacco@fda.hhs.gov).

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## **GRANDFATHERED TOBACCO PRODUCT WEBSITE**

<https://www.fda.gov/tobaccoproducts/labeling/tobaccoproductreviewevaluation/ucm304380.htm>

## **SECTION 910 of the FD&C ACT**

[https://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/Labeling/RulesRegulationsGuidance/ucm262073.htm#910\\_a\\_1\\_B](https://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/Labeling/RulesRegulationsGuidance/ucm262073.htm#910_a_1_B)

## **CTP PORTAL**

<https://ctportal.fda.gov/ctportal/login.jsp>

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<https://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/FDAeSubmitter/ucm189469.htm>

## **CTP's DOCUMENT CONTROL CENTER ADDRESS**

<https://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/AboutCTP/ContactUs/ucm20081474.htm#write>

## **STANDALONE GRANDFATHERED SUBMISSION DATABASE**

<https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/ctpgnd/>