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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0554]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Comment Request; Veterinary Feed Directive

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: 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: FDA Desk Officer, FAX: 202-395-7285, or emailed to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov. All comments should be identified with the OMB control number 0910-0363. Also include the FDA docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

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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.

Veterinary Feed Directive--21 CFR Part 558 (OMB Control Number 0910-0363)--(Extension)

With the passage of the Animal Drug Availability Act of 1996 (ADAA) (Public Law 104-250), the Congress enacted legislation establishing a new class of restricted feed use drugs, veterinary feed directive (VFD) drugs, which may be distributed without involving State pharmacy laws. Although controls on the distribution and use of VFD drugs are similar to those for prescription drugs regulated under section 503(f) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 353(f)), the implementing VFD regulation (21 CFR 558.6) is tailored to the unique circumstances relating to the distribution of medicated feeds. The content of the VFD is spelled out in the regulation. All distributors of medicated feed containing VFD drugs must notify FDA of their intent to distribute, and records must be maintained of the distribution of all medicated feeds containing VFD drugs. The VFD regulation ensures the protection of public health while enabling animal producers to obtain and use needed drugs as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible.

In the Federal Register of August 3, 2011(76 FR 46818), FDA published a 60-day notice requesting public comment on the proposed collection of information. FDA received no comments that pertained to the information collection burden estimates.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

Table 1.--Estimated Annual Reporting Burden¹

21 CFR Section	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent	Total Annual Responses	Average Burden per Response	Total Hours
558.6(a)(3) through (a)(5)	15,000	25	375,000	.25	93,750
558.6(d)(1)(i) through (d)(1)(iii)	300	1	300	.25	75
558.6(d)(1)(iv)	20	1	20	.25	5
558.6(d)(2)	1,000	5	5,000	.25	1,250
514.1(b)(9)	1	1	1	3	3
Total					95,083

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

Table 2.-- Estimated Annual Recordkeeping Burden¹

21 CFR Section	No. of Record-keepers	No. of Records per Recordkeeper	Total Annual Records	Average Burden per Record-keeping	Total Hours
558.6(c)(1) through (c)(4)	112,500	10	1,125,000	.0167	18,788
558.6(e)(1) through (e)(4)	5,000	75	375,000	.0167	6,263
Total					25,051

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

The estimate of the times required for record preparation and maintenance is based on

Agency communication with industry and Agency records and experience.

Dated: October 27, 2011.

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