Truman Scholars Leadership Week at William Jewell College, Executive Secretary Blair

5. Truman Scholarship Honor Institution Award Program and role of the Trustees and Officers in Presenting the Awards to the 17 recipients of the award in the inaugural year, Chairman Staats

6. Executive Secretary's Report including

♦ Overview of the 1996 Truman Scholar Selection;

♦ Status of the Trust Fund;

♦ Plans for the 1996–97 Competition.

7. The Process of Selecting Truman Scholars. Dr. David Nolan, Chair of the Truman Scholarship Finalists Selection Panel and Dr. Richard Ferguson, President of American College Testing.

8. New Business.

9. Adjournment.

Louis H. Blair,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

NIOSH Meeting

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting.

Name: A Cohort Mortality Study of Workers at the Fernald Feed Materials Production Center.

Time and Date: 7 p.m.–9 p.m., June 19, 1996.

Place: The Plantation Catering and Meeting Center, Oak Room, 9660 Dry Fork Road, Harrison, Ohio 45030.

Status: Open to the public for observation and comment, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to report the findings of a cohort mortality study of workers who were employed at the Fernald Feed Materials Production Center between 1951–1981. The study was conducted by the Oak Ridge Association Universities (ORAU). The study findings will be presented by the former Project Director, Dr. Donna Cragle, who is currently the Director, Center for Epidemiologic Research at ORAU. The study was managed by NIOSH and funding was provided by the Department of Energy (DOE).

Contact Person For Additional Information: Richard W. Hornung, Dr.P.H., Associate Director for Energy-Related Health Research, Division of Surveillance, Hazard Evaluations, and Field Studies, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, M/S R–44, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, telephone 513/841–4400.

Dated: May 14, 1996.

Nancy C. Hirsch,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92–463, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the following committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS).

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.–5 p.m., June 5, 1996; 9 a.m.–5 p.m., June 6, 1996.

Place: Room 503A, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20201.

Status: Open.

Purpose: The Committee will receive an update on the Department's performance partnership program, current privacy legislation activities, and other departmental data collection efforts. The Committee will also discuss its core health data elements project and other aspects of the NCVHS charge.

Notice: In the interest of security, the Department has instituted stringent procedures for entrance to the Hubert H. Humphrey Building by non-government employees. Thus, persons without a government identification card should plan to arrive at the building each day either between 8:30 and 9 a.m. or 12:30 and 1 p.m. so they can be escorted to the meeting. Entrance to the meeting at other times during the day cannot be assured.

Contact Person for More Information: Substantive program information as well as summaries of the meeting and a roster of committee members may be obtained from Gail F. Fisher, Ph.D., Executive Secretary, NCVHS, NCHS, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone 301/436–7050.

Dated: May 14, 1996.

Nancy C. Hirsch,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics Subcommittee on Health Statistics for Minority and Other Special Populations: Time and Date Change

Federal Register *Citation of Previous Announcement:* 61 FR 20527—dated May 7, 1996.

SUMMARY: Notice is given that the meeting time and date for the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS) Subcommittee on Health Statistics for Minority and Other Special Populations, of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has changed. The meeting place, status, and purpose, announced in the original notice remain unchanged.

Original Time and Date: 1 p.m.–4 p.m., June 3, 1996.

New Time and Date: 1 p.m.–5 p.m., June 4, 1996.

Contact Person for More Information: Substantive program information as well as summaries of the meeting and a roster of committee members may be obtained from Gail F. Fisher, Ph.D., Executive Secretary, NCVHS, National Center for Health Statistics, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone 301/436–7050.

Dated: May 14, 1996.

Nancy C. Hirsch,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH): Cancellation of Meeting

This notice announces the cancellation of a previously announced meeting.

Federal Register *Citation of Previous Announcement:* 61 FR 19628, May 2, 1996.

Previously Announced Time and Date: 1 p.m.–5 p.m., June 5, 1996.

Change in the Meeting: This meeting has been cancelled.

Contact Person For More Information: James W. Collins, NIOSH, CDC, 1095 Willowdale Road, M/S 1133, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505–2888, telephone 304/285–5998.

Dated: May 14, 1996.

Nancy C. Hirsch,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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NIOSH Meeting

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting.

Name: Notice of Public Meeting and Request for Comments.

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.–5 p.m., June 20, 1996; 9 a.m.–5 p.m., June 21, 1996.

Place: The Hyatt Regency Hotel, Regency Ballrooms E and F, 151 West Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 250 people.

Purpose: The purpose of this notice is to request public comments on the NIOSH draft document, ''Criteria for Recommended Standard: Occupational Noise Exposure,'' NIOSH is planning to convene a public meeting at a later date to discuss the scientific and technical issues relevant to the document.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Public Law 91–596) states that ''the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall * * * produce criteria * * * enabling the Secretary of Labor to meet his responsibility for the formulation of safety and health standards'' [29 U.S.C. 669(a)(2)]. An occupational safety and health standard is defined as a standard that sets requirements reasonably necessary or appropriate to provide safe or healthful employment at places of employment [29 U.S.C. 652]. In promulgating standards dealing with harmful physical agents under both the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Public Law 91–596), and the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Public Law 95–164), the Secretary of Labor shall set the standard which most adequately assures, to the extent feasible, that no employee will suffer material impairment of health or functional capacity even if such employee has regular exposure to the hazard for the period of his working life. In addition to the attainment of the highest degree of health and safety protection for the employee, other considerations shall be the latest available scientific data in the field, the feasibility of the standard, and experience gained under this and other health and safety laws [29 U.S.C. 655(b)(5) and 30 U.S.C. 811(a)(6)(A)]. NIOSH is authorized under 29 U.S.C. 671 and 30 U.S.C. 811(a)(6)(B) to develop new and improved recommended occupational safety and health standards and to perform all functions of the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

II. Issues for Comment

In 1972, NIOSH published ''Criteria for a Recommended Standard: Occupational Exposure to Noise,'' which provided the basis for a recommended standard to reduce the risk of developing permanent hearing loss as a result of occupational noise exposure. NIOSH has evaluated the latest scientific information and is revising some of its previous recommendations.

The NIOSH recommended exposure limit (REL) of 85–dBA for occupational noise exposure was reevaluated using contemporary risk assessment techniques and incorporation of the 4000–Hz audiometric frequency in the definition of hearing impairment. The new risk assessment reaffirms support for the 85–dBA REL. The excess risk of developing occupational noise-induced hearing loss (NIHL) for a 40-year lifetime exposure at the 85–dBA REL is 8%, which is considerably lower than the 25% excess risk at the 90–dBA permissible exposure limit currently enforced by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA).

NIOSH previously recommended an exchange rate of 5–dB for the calculation of time-weighted average exposures to noise, but it is now recommending a 3–dB exchange rate, which is more firmly supported by scientific evidence. The 5–dB exchange rate is still used by OSHA and MSHA, but the 3–dB exchange rate has been increasingly supported by national and international consensus.

NIOSH recommends an improved criterion for significant threshold shift, which is an increase of 15–dB in hearing threshold at 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, or 6000Hz that is repeated for the same ear and frequency in back-to-back audiometric tests. The new criterion has the advantages of a high identification rate and a low false-positive rate. In comparison, the criterion recommended in the 1972 criteria document has a high false-positive rate, and the OSHA criterion, called the Standard Threshold Shift, has a relatively low identification rate.

Differing from the 1972 criteria document, NIOSH no longer recommends age correction on individual audiograms. This practice is not scientifically valid, and would delay intervention to prevent further hearing losses in those workers whose hearing threshold levels have increased due to occupational noise exposure. OSHA currently allows age correction only as an option.

The Noise Reduction Rating (NRR) is a single-number, laboratory-derived rating required by the Environmental Protection Agency to be shown on the label of each hearing protector sold in the U.S. In calculating the noise exposure to the wearer of a hearing protector at work, OSHA has implemented the practice of derating the NRR by one-half for all types of hearing protectors. In 1972, NIOSH recommended the use of the full NRR value, but now it recommends derating the NRR by 25% for earmuffs, 50% for formable earplugs and 70% for all other earplugs. This variable derating scheme takes into consideration the performances of different types of hearing protectors.

The draft also recommends that hearing protectors be worn for any noise exposure over 85–dBA, regardless of exposure duration. This measure is simplistic but extremely protective because its implementation does not require the calculation of time-weighed-average (TWA) exposure. This ''hard-hat'' approach, as opposed to predicating the requirement on TWA exposures, is a departure from what was recommended in 1972.

The criteria document also provides recommendations for the management of hearing loss prevention programs for workers whose noise exposures equal or exceed 82–dBA (i.e., ½ of the REL). The recommendations include program evaluation, which was not articulated in the 1972 criteria document and is not included in the OSHA and MSHA standards.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Technical information may be obtained from Ralph Zumwalde, NIOSH, CDC, 4672 Columbia Parkway, M/S C–32, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45226, telephone 513/533–8319, e-mail address: rdz1@NIOSDT1.em.cdc.gov.

Persons wishing to attend the meeting, present oral comments, obtain a copy of the draft document, or reserve overnight accommodations at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, should respond by May 31, 1996, to Kellie Wilson, NIOSH, 4676 Columbia Parkway, M/S C–34, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45226, telephone 513/533–8362, fax 513/533–8285, e-mail address: kmp0@NIOSDT1.em.cdc.gov.

Persons interested in providing comments on the draft document should submit comments by June 10, 1996, to Diane Manning, NIOSH Docket Office, 4676 Columbia Parkway, M/S C–34, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45226. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to: dmm2@NIOSDT1.em.cdc.gov. E-mail

attachments may be formatted as WordPerfect 5.0, 5.1/5.2, 6.0/6.1, or ASCII files.

Information can also be obtained by calling 1–800–35–NIOSH or by the Internet NOISH Homepage: http:/www.cdc.gov/noish/homepage.html.

Dated: May 14, 1996.

Nancy C. Hirsch,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 96F–0145]

Albright & Wilson, Ltd.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Albright & Wilson, Ltd., has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)phosphonium sulfate as a slimicide for use in the manufacture of paper and paperboard intended to contact food.

DATES: Written comments on the petitioner's environmental assessment by June 19, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1–23, Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel N. Harrison, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–216), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204–0002, 202–418–3080.

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 5B4472) has been filed by Albright & Wilson, Ltd., c/o Delta Analytical Corp., 7910 Woodmont Ave., suite 1000, Bethesda, MD 20814. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 176.300 *Slimicides* (21 CFR 176.300) to provide for the safe use of tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)phosphonium sulfate as a slimicide in the manufacture of paper and paperboard intended to contact food.

The potential environmental impact of this action is being reviewed. To encourage public participation consistent with regulations promulgated under the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1501.4(b)), the agency is placing the environmental assessment submitted with the petition that is the subject of this notice on public display at the Dockets Management Branch (address above) for public review and comment. Interested persons may, on or before June 19, 1996, submit to the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written comments. Two copies of any comments are to be submitted, except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the office above between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. FDA will also place on public display any amendments to, or comments on, the petitioner's environmental assessment without further announcement in the Federal Register. If, based on its review, the agency finds that an environmental impact statement is not required and this petition results in a regulation, the notice of availability of the agency's finding of no significant impact and the evidence supporting that finding will be published with the regulation in the Federal Register in accordance with 21 CFR 25.40(c).

Dated: April 30, 1996.

Alan M. Rulis,

Director, Office of Premarket Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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[Docket No. 93F–0152]

Witco Corp.; Withdrawal of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal, without prejudice to future filing, of a food additive petition (FAP 3B4348), filed by Witco Corp. proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of decanedioic acid, polymer with 1,2-ethanediamine, (Z,Z)-9,12-octadecadienoic acid dimer and 4,4′-(1,3-propaneidyl) bis (piperidine) as a polymer coating onaluminum foil, polyolefin film, and paper and paperboard and as an adhesive, for use in contact with food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hortense S. Macon, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS–216), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–418–3086.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published in the Federal Register of May 19, 1993 (58 FR 29231), FDA announced that a food additive petition (FAP 3B4348) had been filed by Witco Corp., 5777 Frantz Rd., P.O. Box 646, Dublin, OH 43017. The petition proposed to amend the food additive regulations to provide for the safe use of decanedioic acid, polymer with 1,2-ethanediamine, (Z,Z)-9,12-octadecadienoic acid dimer and 4,4′-(1,3-propaneidyl) bis (piperidine) as a polymer coating on aluminum foil, polyolefin film, and paper and paperboard and as an adhesive, for use in contact with food. Witco Corp. has now withdrawn the petition without prejudice to a future filing (21 CFR 171.7).

Dated: April 30, 1996.

Alan M. Rulis,

Director, Office of Premarket Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

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[Docket No. 96N–0151]

SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals; Withdrawal of Approval of a New Drug Application for Selacryn® Tablets

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is withdrawing approval of a new drug application (NDA) for Selacryn® (ticrynafen) Tablets held by SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals (Smithkline). SmithKline requested that the NDA be withdrawn because the product is no longer being marketed. SmithKline also waived its opportunity for a hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 20, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lola E. Batson, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (HFD–7), Food and Drug Administration, 7500 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855, 301–594–1038.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By letter dated June 30, 1994, SmithKline, Four Falls Corp. Center, Route 23 and Woodmont Ave., P.O. Box 1510, FF0410, King of Prussia, PA 19406, requested that FDA withdraw NDA 18–103 for Selacryn® (ticrynafen) Tablets, stating that the company discontinued