DATES: The color additive petition was filed on August 4, 2026.

ADDRESSES: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to *https://www.regulations.gov* and insert the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document into the ''Search'' box and follow the prompts, and/or go to the Dockets Management Staff, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen DiFranco, Office of Food Chemical Safety, Dietary Supplements, and Innovation, Human Foods Program, Food and Drug Administration, 5001 Campus Dr., College Park, MD 20740, 240–402–2710.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 721(d)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379e(d)(1)), we are giving notice that we have filed a color additive petition (CAP 6C0343), submitted by GBIG, c/o Exponent, Inc., 1150 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20036. The petition proposes that we amend our color additive regulations in 21 CFR 73.168 (''Gardenia (genipin) blue'') to expand the safe use of gardenia (genipin) blue to include use in: (1) sponge cake; (2) alcoholic mixed drinks; (3) carbonated drinks; (4) powdered beverages; (5) processed breakfast cereals; (6) chewing gum; (7) instant iced tea; (8) wasabi paste and powder; (9) sugar coating; (10) syrup for shaved ice; (11) icing; (12) creamers and whiteners; (13) ice cream and frozen dairy desserts; (14) frozen desserts (edible ices); (15) gelatin, puddings, custards, and pie filling; (16) jam, jellies, and marmalade; (17) flavored milk and both flavored and unflavored yogurt; (18) snack foods; (19) fruit preparation, syrup, and toppings; and (20) chewable tablets, at levels consistent with good manufacturing practice. The petition also proposes to lower the specification for arsenic in gardenia (genipin) blue from ≤2 mg/kg (ppm) to ≤1 mg/kg (ppm). FDA may also consider other changes to the regulation, as appropriate, during the course of our review.

The petitioner claims that this action is categorically excluded under 21 CFR 25.32(k) because granting this petition would authorize the use of a substance intended to remain in food through ingestion by consumers and is not intended to replace macronutrients in food. In addition, the petitioner has stated that, to their knowledge, no extraordinary circumstances exist. If FDA determines a categorical exclusion applies, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required. If FDA determines a categorical exclusion does not apply, we will request an environmental assessment and make it available for public inspection.

Grace R. Graham,

Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Legislation, and International Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 73

[Docket No. FDA–2026–C–8883]

International Association of Color Manufacturers; Filing of Color Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notification of petition.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is announcing that we have filed a petition, submitted by the International Association of Color Manufacturers, proposing that we amend our color additive regulations to provide for the safe use of acetone as a solvent in the manufacture of carrot oil. The petition also proposes to add heavy metal limits and secondary names for carrot oil. FDA may also consider other changes to the regulation, as appropriate, during the course of our review.

DATES: The color additive petition was filed on August 3, 2026. Either electronic or written comments on the petitioner's environmental assessment must be submitted by September 18, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered. The *https://www.regulations.gov* electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of September 18, 2026. Comments received by mail/hand delivery/courier (for written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are received on or before that date.

Electronic Submissions

Submit electronic comments in the following way:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to *https://www.regulations.gov* will be posted to the docket unchanged. Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as medical information, your or anyone else's Social Security number, or confidential business information, such as a manufacturing process. Please note that if you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your comments, that information will be posted on *https://www.regulations.gov.*
- If you want to submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission and in the manner detailed (see ''Written/Paper Submissions'' and ''Instructions'').

Written/Paper Submissions

Submit written/paper submissions as follows:

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier (for written/paper submissions):* Dockets Management Staff (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.
- For written/paper comments submitted to the Dockets Management Staff, FDA will post your comment, as well as any attachments, except for information submitted, marked and identified, as confidential, if submitted as detailed in ''Instructions.''

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket No. FDA–2026–C–8883 for ''International Association of Color Manufacturers; Filing of Color Additive Petition.'' Received comments, those filed in a timely manner (see **ADDRESSES**), will be placed in the docket and, except for those submitted as ''Confidential Submissions,'' publicly viewable at *https://www.regulations.gov* or at the Dockets Management Staff between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, 240–402–7500.

- Confidential Submissions—To submit a comment with confidential information that you do not wish to be made publicly available, submit your comments only as a written/paper submission. You should submit two copies total. One copy will include the information you claim to be confidential with a heading or cover note that states ''THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.'' We will review this copy, including the claimed confidential information, in our consideration of comments. The second

copy, which will have the claimed confidential information redacted/blacked out, will be available for public viewing and posted on *https://www.regulations.gov.* Submit both copies to the Dockets Management Staff. If you do not wish your name and contact information to be made publicly available, you can provide this information on the cover sheet and not in the body of your comments and you must identify this information as ''confidential.'' Any information marked as ''confidential'' will not be disclosed except in accordance with 21 CFR 10.20 and other applicable disclosure law. For more information about FDA's posting of comments to public dockets, see 80 FR 56469, September 18, 2015, or access the information at: *https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2015-09-18/pdf/2015-23389.pdf.*

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or the electronic and written/paper comments received, go to *https://www.regulations.gov* and insert the docket number, found in brackets in the heading of this document, into the ''Search'' box and follow the prompts and/or go to the Dockets Management Staff, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852, 240–402–7500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shayla West-Barnette, Office of Pre-Market Additive Safety, Human Foods Program, Food and Drug Administration, 5001 Campus Dr., College Park, MD 20740, 240–402–1262.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 721(d)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379e(d)(1)), we are giving notice that we have filed a color additive petition (CAP 5C0339), submitted by the International Association of Color Manufacturers, 1101 17th St. NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036. The petition proposes to amend the color additive regulations in § 73.300 (21 CFR 73.300), *Listing of Color Additives Exempt from Certification,* to provide for the safe use of acetone as a solvent in the manufacture of carrot oil. The petition also proposes to add heavy metal limits and secondary names for carrot oil. FDA may also consider other changes to the regulation, as appropriate, during the course of our review.

We are reviewing the potential environmental impact of this petition. To encourage public participation consistent with regulations issued under the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1501.5(e)), we are placing the environmental assessment submitted with the petition that is the subject of this notice on public display at the Dockets Management Staff (see **ADDRESSES**) for public review and comment.

We will also place on public display, in the Dockets Management Staff and at *https://www.regulations.gov,* any amendments to, or comments on, the petitioner's environmental assessment without further announcement in the **Federal Register**. If, based on our review, we find that an environmental impact statement is not required, and this petition results in a regulation, we will publish the notice of availability of our finding of no significant impact and the evidence supporting that finding with the regulation in the **Federal Register** in accordance with 21 CFR 25.51(b).

Grace R. Graham,

Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Legislation, and International Affairs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA–R04–OAR–2024–0241; FRL–13590–01–R4]

Air Plan Approval; South Carolina; Minor Source Permit Program Revisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is proposing action on changes to South Carolina's State Implementation Plan (SIP) to revise regulations prescribing minor source permitting program requirements, including minor new source review (NSR) requirements, involving, in part, minor source permitting public participation, in SIP revisions submitted by the State of South Carolina through the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SC DHEC) on October 1, 2007; July 18, 2011; August 8, 2014; July 27, 2016; and April 24, 2020. This proposal supplements previous proposals the EPA published on August 17, 2017, and January 21, 2025. This proposal is being issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA or Act).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 18, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R04–OAR–2024–0241 at *regulations.gov.* Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from *Regulations.gov.* The EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (*i.e.,* on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit *https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Faith Goddard, Multi-Air Pollutant Coordination Section, Air Planning and Implementation Branch, Air and Radiation Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960. The telephone number is (404) 562–8757. Ms. Goddard can also be reached via electronic mail at *goddard.faith@epa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We use multiple abbreviations and terms in this notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM). While this list may not be exhaustive, for ease of reading and for reference purposes, the EPA defines the following terms and acronyms here:

CAA Clean Air Act
CFR Code of Federal Regulations
EPA Environmental Protection Agency
FESOP Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit
FR Federal Register
NAAQS National Ambient Air Quality Standard or Standards
NNSR Nonattainment New Source Review
NPRM Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
NSR New Source Review
PSD Prevention of Significant Deterioration
PTE Potential to Emit
SIP State Implementation Plan

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