for community, American Indian Tribal, and labor interaction and serve as a vehicle for community concern to be expressed as advice and recommendations to CDC and ATSDR.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items include presentations from the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) regarding the progress of current studies. There will also be a presentation of results from research on cancer mortality among Fernald site workers due to radiation and chemical exposure.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Persons for More Information: Dr. David Pedersen, Health-Related Energy Research Branch, Division of Surveillance, Hazard Evaluations and Field Studies, NIOSH, CDC, Robert A. Taft Laboratory, 4676 Columbia Parkway, M/S R–44, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226. Telephone 513/841–4400, Fax 513/841–4470.

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Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Infectious Diseases: Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following committee meeting.

Name: Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID).

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.–5:30 p.m., December 2, 1999. 8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., December 3, 1999.

Place: CDC, Auditorium B, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30333.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available.

Purpose: The Board of Scientific Counselors, NCID, provides advice and guidance to the Director, CDC, and Director, NCID, in the following areas: program goals and objectives; strategies; program organization and resources for infectious disease prevention and control; and program priorities.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items will include:

1. NCID Update
2. Informatics
3. Chronic Fatigue Syndrome
4. NCID Research Agenda
5. Discussions
6. Vaccine Issues:
   Rotavirus
   Yellow Fever
7. Antimicrobial Resistance
8. Emergency Preparedness—Update
9. Outbreak Investigations—Update
   Nipah virus
   West Nile virus
10. Discussions and Recommendations

Other agenda items include announcements/introductions; follow-up on actions recommended by the Board May 1999; consideration of future directions, goals, and recommendations.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Written comments are welcome and should be received by the contact person listed below prior to the opening of the meeting.

Contact Person for More Information: Diane S. Holley, Office of the Director, NCID, CDC, M/S C–20, 1600 Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639–0078.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99D–4487]

Medical Devices; Draft Guidance for Conducting Stability Testing to Support an Expiration Date Labeling Claim for Medical Gloves; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of the draft guidance entitled ''Guidance for Conducting Stability Testing to Support an Expiration Date Labeling Claim for Medical Gloves.'' This guidance is neither final nor is it in effect at this time. This guidance describes the information needed to support an expiration date labeling claim for powdered or powder-free, surgeon's or patient examination gloves. Expiration dating of medical gloves is voluntary at this time. FDA recommends that manufacturers, repackagers, or importers who add an expiration date labeling claim follow the enclosed recommended criteria and protocols for conducting testing described in this guidance.

DATES: Written comments concerning this draft guidance must be received by February 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for information on electronic access to the draft guidance. Submit written requests for single copies on a 3.5″ diskette of the guidance document entitled, ''Guidance for Conducting Stability Testing to Support an Expiration Date Labeling Claim for Medical Gloves'' to the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance (HFZ–220), Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, 1350 Piccard Dr., Rockville, MD 20850. Send two self-addressed adhesive labels to assist that office in processing your request, or fax your request to 301–443–8818. Written comments concerning this guidance must be submitted to the Dockets Management Branch, (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Comments should be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chiu S. Lin, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ–480), Food and Drug Administration, 9200 Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301–443–8913.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

It is estimated that millions of health care workers use medical gloves on a daily basis as a barrier against blood borne pathogens and microorganisms. The effective use of medical gloves as a barrier, however, is dependent upon the integrity of the glove material. Degradation of the glove material may occur when exposed to various types of manufacturing processes (e.g., chlorination) and/or environmental conditions.

In response to growing concerns regarding the use of natural rubber latex (NRL), the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health recently issued a safety alert recommending the use of powder-free medical gloves as a means to reduce exposure to natural