DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-2004-N-0451]

Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997: Modifications to the List of Recognized Standards, Recognition List Number: 039

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing a publication containing modifications the Agency is making to the list of standards FDA recognizes for use in premarket reviews ("FDA Recognized Consensus Standards"). Specifically, this publication announces the addition of a list of recognized standards that are relevant to safety considerations to mitigate the risks of misconnections with small-bore connectors intended for enteral applications. This publication, entitled "Modifications to the List of Recognized Standards, Recognition List Number: 039" ("Recognition List Number: 039"), will assist manufacturers who elect to declare conformity with consensus standards to meet certain requirements for medical devices.

DATES: Submit either electronic or written comments concerning this document at any time. See section VI for the effective date of the recognition of standards announced in this document.

ADDRESSES: An electronic copy of Recognition List Number: 039 is available on the Internet at


See section V for electronic access to the searchable database for the current list of FDA
recognized consensus standards, including Recognition List Number: 039 modifications and other standards related information.

Submit written requests for single copies of the document entitled "Modifications to the List of Recognized Standards, Recognition List Number: 039" to the Division of Industry and Consumer Education, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 66, rm. 4613, Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002. Send two self-addressed adhesive labels to assist that office in processing your request, or fax your request to 301-847-8149.

Submit electronic comments on this document to http://www.regulations.gov. Submit written comments to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 204 of the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-115) amended section 514 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the FD&C Act) (21 U.S.C. 360d). Amended section 514 allows FDA to recognize consensus standards developed by international and national organizations for use in satisfying portions of device premarket review submissions or other requirements.
In a notice published in the Federal Register of February 25, 1998 (63 FR 9561), FDA announced the availability of a guidance entitled "Recognition and Use of Consensus Standards." The notice described how we would implement our standard recognition program and provided the initial list of recognized standards.

Modifications to the initial list of recognized standards, as published in the Federal Register, can be accessed at http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/DeviceRegulationandGuidance/Standards/ucm123792.htm.

These notices describe the addition, withdrawal, and revision of certain standards recognized by FDA. The Agency maintains HTML and PDF versions of the list of FDA Recognized Consensus Standards. Both versions are publicly accessible at the Agency's Internet site. See section V of this document for electronic access information. Interested persons should review the supplementary information sheet for the standard to understand fully the extent to which FDA recognizes the standard.

II. Listing of New Entries

In table 1 of this document, FDA provides the listing of new entries and consensus standards added as modifications to the list of recognized standards under Recognition List Number: 039. Specifically, this publication announces the addition of a list of recognized standards that are relevant to safety considerations to mitigate the risks of misconnections with small-bore connectors intended for enteral applications. Elsewhere in this issue of the Federal Register, we are publishing a notice of availability of the guidance document entitled "Safety Considerations to Mitigate the Risks of Misconnections With Small-Bore Connectors Intended for Enteral Applications." This guidance provides recommendations to manufacturers regarding the expectations for design and testing of small-bore connectors intended for enteral applications.
("enteral devices"). FDA is making these recommendations to reduce the risk of unintended connections between enteral and non-ental devices.

Table 1.--New Entries to the List of Recognized Standards

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<td>5-94</td>
<td>Small-bore connectors for liquids and gases in healthcare applications--Part 20: Common test methods</td>
<td>AAMI/CN20:2014 (PS)</td>
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1 All standard titles in this table conform to the style requirements of the respective organizations.

III. List of Recognized Standards

FDA maintains the Agency’s current list of FDA recognized consensus standards in a searchable database that may be accessed directly at FDA’s Internet site at [http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfStandards/search.cfm](http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfStandards/search.cfm). FDA will incorporate the modifications and revisions described in this notice into the database and, upon publication in the Federal Register, this recognition of consensus standards will be effective. FDA will announce additional modifications and revisions to the list of recognized consensus standards, as needed, in the Federal Register once a year, or more often, if necessary. Beginning with Recognition List 033, FDA no longer announces minor revisions to the list of recognized consensus standards such as technical contact person, devices affected, processes affected, Code of Federal Regulations citations, and product codes.

IV. Recommendation of Standards for Recognition by FDA

Any person may recommend consensus standards as candidates for recognition under section 514 of the FD&C Act by submitting such recommendations, with reasons for the recommendation, to standards@cdrh.fda.gov. To be properly considered, such recommendations should contain, at a minimum, the following information: (1) Title of the standard, (2) any reference number and date, (3) name and address of the national or international standards
development organization, (4) a proposed list of devices for which a declaration of conformity to this standard should routinely apply, and (5) a brief identification of the testing or performance or other characteristics of the device(s) that would be addressed by a declaration of conformity.

V. Electronic Access

You may obtain a copy of "Guidance on the Recognition and Use of Consensus Standards" by using the Internet. The Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) maintains a site on the Internet for easy access to information including text, graphics, and files that you may download to a personal computer with access to the Internet. Updated on a regular basis, the CDRH home page, http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices, includes a link to standards-related documents including the guidance and the current list of recognized standards. After publication in the Federal Register, this notice announcing "Modification to the List of Recognized Standards, Recognition List Number: 039" will be available http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/DeviceRegulationandGuidance/Standards/ucm123792.htm.


VI. Submission of Comments and Effective Date

Interested persons may submit either electronic comments regarding this document to http://www.regulations.gov or written comments to the Division of Dockets Management (see ADDRESSES). It is only necessary to send one set of comments. Identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and will be posted to the docket at http://www.regulations.gov. FDA will consider any
comments received in determining whether to amend the current listing of modifications to the list of recognized standards, Recognition List Number: 039. These modifications to the list of recognized standards are effective upon publication of this notice in the Federal Register.


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