

§ 803.55 If I am a manufacturer, in what circumstances must I submit a baseline report, and what are the requirements for such a report?

(a) You must submit a baseline report for a device when you submit the first report under § 803.50 involving that device model. Submit this report on FDA Form 3417 or an electronic equivalent approved under § 803.14.

(b) You must update each baseline report annually on the anniversary month of the initial submission, after the initial baseline report is submitted. Report changes to baseline information in the manner described in § 803.56 (i.e., include only the new, changed, or corrected information in the appropriate portion(s) of the report form). In each baseline report, you must include the following information:

(1) Name, complete address, and establishment registration number of your reporting site. If your reporting site is not registered under part 807, we will assign a temporary number for use in MDR reporting until you register your reporting site in accordance with part 807. We will inform you of the temporary MDR reporting number;

(2) FDA registration number of each site where you manufacture the device;

(3) Name, complete address, and telephone number of the individual who you have designated as your MDR contact, and the date of the report. For foreign manufacturers, we require a confirmation that the individual submitting the report is the agent of the manufacturer designated under § 803.58(a);

(4) Product identification, including device family, brand name, generic name, model number, catalog number, product code, and any other product identification number or designation;

(5) Identification of any device that you previously reported in a baseline report that is substantially similar (e.g., same device with a different model number, or same device except for cosmetic differences in color or shape) to the device being reported. This includes additional identification of the previously reported device by model number, catalog number, or other product identification, and the date of the baseline report for the previously reported device;

(6) Basis for marketing, including your 510(k) premarket notification number or PMA number, if applicable, and whether the device is currently the subject of an approved postmarket study under section 522 of the act;

(7) Date that you initially marketed the device and, if applicable, the date on which you stopped marketing the device;

(8) Shelf life of the device, if applicable, and expected life of the device;

(9) The number of devices manufactured and distributed in the last 12 months and an estimate of the number of devices in current use; and

(10) Brief description of any methods that you used to estimate the number of devices distributed and the number of devices in current use. If this information was provided in a previous baseline report, in lieu of resubmitting the information, it may be referenced by providing the date and product identification for the previous baseline report.

§ 803.56 If I am a manufacturer, in what circumstances must I submit a supplemental or followup report and what are the requirements for such reports?

If you are a manufacturer, when you obtain information required under this part that you did not provide because it was not known or was not available when you submitted the initial report, you must submit the supplemental information to us within 1 month of the day that you receive this information. On a supplemental or followup report, you must:

(a) Indicate on the envelope and in the report that the report being submitted is a supplemental or followup report. If you are using FDA form 3500A, indicate this in Block Item H-2;

(b) Submit the appropriate identification numbers of the report that you are updating with the supplemental information (e.g., your original manufacturer report number and the user facility or importer report number of any report on which your report was based), if applicable; and

(c) Include only the new, changed, or corrected information in the appropriate portion(s) of the respective form(s) for reports that cross reference previous reports.

§ 803.58 Foreign manufacturers.

(a) Every foreign manufacturer whose devices are distributed in the United States shall designate a U.S. agent to be responsible for reporting in accordance with § 807.40 of this chapter. The U.S. designated agent accepts responsibility for the duties that such designation entails. Upon the effective date of this regulation, foreign manufacturers shall inform FDA, by letter, of the name and address of the U.S. agent designated under this section and § 807.40 of this chapter, and shall update this information as necessary. Such updated information shall be submitted to FDA, within 5 days of a change in the designated agent information.

(b) U.S.-designated agents of foreign manufacturers are required to:

(1) Report to FDA in accordance with §§ 803.50, 803.52, 803.53, 803.55, and 803.56;

(2) Conduct, or obtain from the foreign manufacturer the necessary information regarding, the investigation and evaluation of the event to comport with the requirements of § 803.50;

(3) Forward MDR complaints to the foreign manufacturer and maintain documentation of this requirement;

(4) Maintain complaint files in accordance with § 803.18; and

(5) Register, list, and submit premarket notifications in accordance with part 807 of this chapter.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

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Changes to the Practice for Handling Patent Applications Filed Without the Appropriate Fees

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: Among other changes to patent and trademark fees, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (Consolidated Appropriations Act), splits the patent application filing fee into a separate filing fee, search fee and examination fee, and requires an additional fee (application size fee) for applications whose specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, during fiscal years 2005 and 2006. The United States Patent and Trademark Office is in this notice proposing changes in the Office's practice for handling patent applications filed without the appropriate filing, search, and examination fees. The Office has implemented the changes to the patent fees provided in the Consolidated Appropriations Act in a separate rulemaking.

DATES: *Comment Deadline Date:* To be ensured of consideration, written comments must be received on or before March 30, 2005. No public hearing will be held.

