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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 73

[Docket No. FDA-2016-C-2570]

Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Spirulina Extract; Confirmation of  
Effective Date

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule; confirmation of effective date.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is confirming the effective date of August 3, 2017, for the final rule that appeared in the *Federal Register* of July 3, 2017, and that amended the color additive regulations to provide for the expanded safe use of spirulina extract to seasonally color hard-boiled shell eggs at levels consistent with good manufacturing practice.

DATES: Effective date of final rule published in the *Federal Register* of July 3, 2017 (82 FR 30731), confirmed: August 3, 2017.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the *Federal Register* of July 3, 2017 (82 FR 30731), we amended the color additive regulations in § 73.530 Spirulina extract (21 CFR 73.530) to provide for the expanded safe use of spirulina extract to seasonally color the shells of hard-boiled eggs.

We gave interested persons until August 2, 2017, to file objections or requests for a hearing. We received no objections or requests for a hearing on the final rule. Therefore, we find that the effective date of the final rule that published in the *Federal Register* of July 3, 2017, should be confirmed.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 73

Color additives, Cosmetics, Drugs, Medical devices.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321, 341, 342, 343, 348, 351, 352, 355, 361, 362, 371, 379e) and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, we are giving notice that no objections or requests for a hearing were filed in response to the July 3, 2017, final rule. Accordingly, the amendments issued thereby became effective August 3, 2017.

Dated: September 14, 2017.

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Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Planning, Legislation, and Analysis.

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