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VITAMIN D is expected to become an optional ingredient in a revision of the FDA's propose milk standards (See FOOD CHEMICAL NEWS, July 16, Page 42).

FDA'S INTERIM RECALL policy has been spelled out in its instructions to the field (Regulatory Procedures Manual), as expected (See FOOD CHEMICAL NEWS, Sept. 24, Page 30 and this material (Chapter 5-30) is available from FDA's Information Center, Room 3807, 200 C St., S.W., Washington, D. C. 20204. Meanwhile, FDA on Oct. 5 revoked its old policy statement on recalls, and said new "procedural regulations" will be proposed later.

MAYONNAISE product being marketed with 65% dairy ingredients instead of the 65% oil required by the standard is being investigated by FDA.

X CHLORDANE RESIDUES of 3 p.p.m. were detected prior to slaughter in a flock of broiler chickens produced by Central Soya, Inc., Monroe, S.C. The flock was destroyed, while USDA and the firm checked feed mills to try to find the source of the residues. The chlordane tolerance is 0.3 p.p.m. in poultry and meat. USDA responded to the findings by increasing meat and poultry residue testing in the Southeast.

NUTRITION LABELING public service education campaign will be undertaken for FDA by J. Walter Thompson under a $147,690 contract.

"MIRACLE FRUIT" berry product is expected to be considered by FDA when a GRAS affirmation petition is filed (See FOOD CHEMICAL NEWS, Oct. 1, Page 2). The product which makes foods taste sweet has apparently been under discussion in FDA's Bureau of Foods, and it is classed as a "food" by FAO/WHO. Spokesmen for Miralin say the extract alters perception for one hour, not for 12 hours, as at least one agency official had thought.

FOOD ADDITIVE PETITION filed by Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing and noted Oct. 5 would clear polonium 210 as an ionization source in static eliminator devices intended for use during the manufacture of articles intended to contact food. Meanwhile, a Petition withdrawn Oct. 5 would have amended §121.2571 for components of paper and paperboard in contact with dry food to clear copper 8-quinolinolate as a fungicide. The Petition had been filed by Mosinee Paper (See FOOD CHEMICAL NEWS, Oct. 9, Page 45), and had been amended Feb. 7.

NEW ANIMAL DRUG regulation for procaine penicillin with buffered crystalline penicillin for aqueous injection was revoked Oct. 5. The revocation becomes effective Nov. 14, and objections can be filed until that date. FDA said the human drug efficacy review showed lack of substantial evidence of effectiveness, and noted that counterpart veterinary products are not being certified. §135b.26 had cleared use as an intramuscular injection in food-producing animals.

JACK W. GEHRINGER has been named Deputy Director of NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service. He had been director of the Fisheries Service's southeast region in St. Petersburg, Fla.

LYSINE gene found in sorghum by Purdue University scientists under an AID contract is expected to nearly triple protein quality of normal sorghum strains.

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