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Part IX of the proposed order is a "sunset" provision, dictating that the order will terminate twenty years from the date it is issued or twenty years after a complaint is filed in federal court, but either the United States or the FTC, alleging any violation of the order.

The purpose of this analysis is to facilitate public comment on the proposed order. It is not intended to constitute an official interpretation of the agreement and proposed order or to modify in any way their terms.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 982 3152]

QVC, Inc.; Analysis To Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed consent agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 31, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Kaufman or Michelle Rusk, FTC/S-4002, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20580. (202) 326-2888 or 326-3148.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and § 2.34 of the Commission's rules of practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of sixty (60) days. The following Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for November 23, 1999), on the World Wide Web, at "<http://www.ftc.gov/os/actions97.htm>." A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room H-130, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580, either in person or by calling (202) 326-3627.

Public comment is invited. Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20580. Two paper copies of each comment should be filed, and should be accompanied, if possible, by a 3½ inch diskette containing an electronic copy of the comment. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with § 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's rules or practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

Analysis of Proposed Consent Order To Aid Public Comment

The Federal Trade Commission has accepted, subject to final approval, an agreement containing consent order from respondent QVC, Inc. ("QVC").

The proposed consent order has been placed on the public record for sixty (60) days for reception of comments by interested persons. Comments received during this period will become part of the public record. After sixty (60) days, the Commission will again review the agreement and the comments received and will decide whether it should

withdraw from the agreement or make final the agreement's proposed order.

This matter involves alleged deceptive representations for Cold-Eeze Zinc Lozenges and Cold-Eezer Plus Zinc Gluconate Lozenges (hereinafter, collectively "Cold-Eeze").

The Commission's proposed complaint alleges that QVC made unsubstantiated representations that Cold-Eeze will prevent users from contracting colds and pneumonia; will treat allergies; and will reduce the severity of colds in children.

The proposed consent order contains provisions designed to prevent respondent from engaging in similar acts and practices in the future.

Part I of the proposed order prohibits the respondent from making the representations about Cold-Eeze challenged in the complaint, unless it possesses and relies upon competent and reliable scientific evidence that substantiates the representation.

Part II of the proposed order prohibits the respondent from making any representation that any dietary supplement can or will cure, threat or prevent any disease, or have any effect on the structure or function of the human body, unless it possesses and relies upon competent and reliable scientific evidence that substantiates the representation.

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By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

The Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability will meet on Wednesday, January 26, 2000, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Thursday, January 27, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Hyatt Regency Hotel On Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001. The meeting will be entirely open to the public.

The topic of the meeting will be errors and accidents in blood administration and what might be done to reduce the occurrence of these events.

Public comment will be solicited both days. Public comment will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Those who wish to have printed material distributed to Advisory Committee members should submit thirty (30) copies to the Executive Secretary prior to close of business January 12, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen D. Nightingale, M.D., Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Safety, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Rm 736E, Washington, DC 20201. Phone (202) 690-5560 FAX (202) 690-7560 e-mail stephendnightingale@osophs.dhhs.gov.

Dated: November 19, 1999.

Stephen D. Nightingale,

Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Implementation of Universal Leukoreduction; Public Workshop

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing a public workshop entitled "Workshop on Implementation of Universal Leukoreduction." The purpose of the public workshop is to stimulate public discussion on how to implement pre-storage leukoreduction as a routine step in the manufacture of whole blood, red blood cells, and platelets that are intended for human transfusion.

Date and Time: The public workshop will be held on December 10, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Location: The public workshop will be held at the National Institutes of Health, Natcher Conference Center, 45 Center Dr., Bldg. 45, Bethesda, MD.

Contact: For information regarding this notice: Joseph Wilczek, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFM-350), Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-827-6129, FAX 301-827-2843. For information regarding the public workshop and registration: Jennifer Gormley, Laurel Consulting Group, 1815 Fort Meyer Dr., suite 300, Arlington, VA 22209, 703-351-7676, FAX 703-528-0716, E-mail: jgormley@lcn.net.

Registration: Early registration is recommended on or before December 3, 1999. Mail or fax registration information (including name, title, firm name, address, telephone, and fax number) to Jennifer Gormley (address above). Registration at the site will be on a space available basis on the day of the workshop, beginning at 7:30 a.m. There is no registration fee for the workshop. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Jennifer Gormley at least 7 days in advance.

Agenda: FDA anticipates that the ideas and experiences exchanged at the workshop will serve as a source of information for the blood industry and the public in planning for universal leukoreduction, as well as guide FDA in formulating specific regulatory recommendations. Issues to be discussed include: (1) The experiences in implementing leukoreduction as a routine blood manufacturing step and in the use of leukocyte reduced blood

products; (2) whether and in what timeframe universal leukoreduction should be recognized as a blood manufacturing standard; and (3) what experiences exist to date in the United States with respect to implementing leukoreduction as a routine blood manufacturing step. An open panel discussion will include a critique of the experiences in the United States to date in implementing leukoreduction as a routine blood manufacturing step, as well as proposals for the FDA to consider in formulating new blood recommendations and regulations. All members of the transfusion community are encouraged to participate with the understanding that the workshop will focus on operational issues, rather than scientific, clinical and economic merits of universal leukoreduction.

Transcripts: Transcripts of the meeting may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (HFI-35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 12A-16, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting at a cost of 10 cents per page. In addition, the transcript will be placed on the FDA Internet site at www.fda.gov/cber/minutes/workshop-min.htm.

Dated: November 23, 1999.

William K. Hubbard,

Senior Associate Commissioner for Policy, Planning, and Legislation.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99D-4959]

Guidance for Industry on the Disclosure of Materials Provided to Advisory Committees in Connection with Open Advisory Committee Meetings Convened by the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Beginning on January 1, 2000; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of a guidance for industry entitled "Disclosure of Materials Provided to Advisory Committees in Connection with Open Advisory Committee Meetings Convened by the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Beginning on January 1, 2000." This