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**Food Additives Stakeholder Forum Meeting  
Friday, February 23, 2007  
Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and  
Conference Center  
North Bethesda, Maryland**

**Hot Topics, Action Items, Next Steps**



# Hot Topics

- ◆ General Notices
- ◆ International Harmonization
- ◆ Notice and Comment
- ◆ Official Status of FCC/Legal Recognition
- ◆ Articles Not Legally Marketed in the U.S.
- ◆ Delegation of Authority of a Monograph (FDA to USP?)
- ◆ Updating Monographs
- ◆ Reference Standards
- ◆ Less Demanding Tests
- ◆ Communication (Industry, others)
- ◆ Marketing the Publication (Industry, Students)



## Action Items

- ◆ USP to provide revised General Notices to the Food Additives SF and EC for review
- ◆ Clear direction needed on articles not approved in U.S.
  - ▶ Apply concept of International Standards to FCC (where other stringent authorities approve a substance)?
  - ▶ Can be included in FCC Submission/Revision Guideline
- ◆ USP to consider formation of Project Teams on some of the hot topics



## Action Items, cont.

- ◆ Small group to brainstorm ideas for communicating to industry
  - ▶ Fred Shank
  - ▶ Lynn O'Brien Nabors
- ◆ USP to consider including in General Notices reference to use of the latest version of FCC



# Redesign Comments

- ◆ Include full INS number (if available)
- ◆ Impurities (concomitant components):  
Consider separate category in food additives monographs, e.g., "composition." (USP recommendation: place in under SPECIFIC TESTS"



# Next Steps

- ◆ Next chair
- ◆ Small group on Communications meeting
- ◆ Frequency of meetings
- ◆ Next meeting