



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
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Mr. S. Vickneswaran
Tower Rubber Industries Sdn. Bhd.
Lot 18, Jalan Lingkaran Sultan Hishamuddin,
Kawasan Perusahaan Selat Klang Utara,
42000 Pelabuhan Klang,
Selangor Darul Ehsan,
MALAYSIA

Re: K990686
Trade Name: Powder-Free Latex Examination Gloves,
Vanilla Flavor
Regulatory Class: I
Product Code: LYY
Dated: April 12, 1999
Received: April 14, 1999

Dear Mr. Vickneswaran

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Premarket Approval), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895. A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the Current Good Manufacturing Practice requirements, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic QS inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531

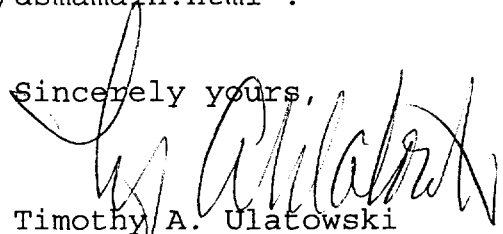
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through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4692. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its internet address "<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsma/dsmamain.html>".

Sincerely yours,



Timothy A. Ulatowski
Director
Division of Dental, Infection Control,
and General Hospital Devices
Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and
Radiological Health

Enclosure

K 990686

3.0 Indications for Use Statement: Include the following or equivalent Indications for Use page. The information, data and labeling claims in the entire the 510(k) submission must support and agree with the Indications for Use statement.

INDICATIONS FOR USE

Applicant: TOWER RUBBER INDUSTRIES SDN BHD

510(k) Number (if known): K990686

Device Name: Powder Free Latex Examination Gloves (Vanilla Flavor.)

Indications For Use:

A medical glove is worn on the hand of health care and similar personnel to prevent contamination between health care personnel and the patient.

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Concurrence of CDRH Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

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(Division Sign-Off)

Division of Dental, Infection Control,
and General Hospital Devices

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Prescription Use _____
Per 21 CFR 801.109

OR

Over-The-Counter X

(Optional Format 1-2-)

* For a new submission, do NOT fill in the 510(k) number blank.

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