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Re: K141009
Trade/Device Name: Fort Defiance Automated Steam Sterilizer Model P2131
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 880.6880
Regulation Name: Steam Sterilizer
Regulatory Class: II
Product Code: FLE
Dated: November 18, 2014
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Dear Mr. Yerger:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and 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) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). 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. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

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Enclosure

Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)
K141009

Device Name
Automated Field Steam Sterilizer Model P2131

Indications for Use (Describe)

The Fort Defiance Industries, Inc. Automated Field Steam Sterilizer Model P2131 is designed for sterilization of porous and non-porous, heat- and moisture-stable materials (e.g., surgical instruments and textiles) used in healthcare facilities. The P2131 sterilizer is a transportable device designed for field use in a variety of austere environments.

Cycle	Recommended Use	Maximum Load	Exposure Temperature (°F/°C)	Exposure Time (minutes)	Dry Time (minutes)
Immediate Use (IUSS)	Unwrapped nonporous (e.g., instruments) and porous items in mixed loads	36 lbs.	270/132	4	0
Textiles	Textile packs	3 textile packs*	270/132	4	5**
Wrapped Instruments	Wrapped instruments/utensils	36 lbs.	270/132	4	20**
Wrapped Instruments	Wrapped instruments/utensils	36 lbs.	270/132	10	20**
Bowie-Dick Test	Test	NA	273/134	3.5	0
Vacuum Leak Test	Test	NA	NA	Test time: 20	0

Notes:

* AAMI standard 16-towel pack (9"x9"x6")

** Dry times default to established standard conditions, but can be manually increased.

Type of Use (Select one or both, as applicable)

Prescription Use (Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)

Over-The-Counter Use (21 CFR 801 Subpart C)

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**510(k) Summary
(K141009)
For
Automated Field Steam Sterilizer
Model P2131**

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1. **Device Name**

Trade Name: Automated Field Steam Sterilizer
Model Name: P2131
Common/usual Name: Steam Sterilizer
Classification Name: Steam Sterilizer (21 CFR 880.6880)
Product Code FLE

2. **Predicate Device**

K030789, Amsco Century Steam Sterilizer, product code [FLE] cleared March 26, 2003

3. **Description of Device**

The Fort Defiance Industries, Inc. model P2131 sterilizer is an automated steam sterilizer designed for sterilization of porous and non-porous, heat- and moisture-stable materials (e.g., surgical instruments and textiles) used in healthcare facilities. The P2131 sterilizer is a transportable device designed for field use in a variety of austere environments.

The P2131 is a pre-vacuum and post-vacuum sterilizer that has a conditioning stage with vacuum air removal before the start of the exposure stage, as well as a post-exposure drying stage that is based on the combined operation of heat plus vacuum. The sterilization agent is steam that is electrically-generated in a jacketed boiler.

The P2131 sterilizer consists of three components that work together as one integrated system. These components are the (1) Sterilizer, (2) Water Recovery System (WRS), and (3) the Sterilizer Water Softener (SWS). The WRS reclaims hot condensate and exhaust steam for re-use by the sterilizer. The WRS also includes a water eductor, which provides the vacuum capability for the pre and post-vac phases of sterilization. The Sterilizer Water Softener (SWS) filters and de-mineralizes the incoming water to prevent scale build-up.

The P2131 is an automated, microprocessor-controlled, prevacuum autoclave. It has a fully-jacketed, horizontal-type pressure vessel. The P2131 is of welded aluminum alloy construction to minimize weight. The chamber assembly, with internal dimensions of 16" diameter x 36" long, is supported in a combination frame and endcap assembly to provide rigidity and protection. These endcaps, when closed, completely enclose and protect the sterilizer and its heat source providing the capability to serve as a shipping container. When the endcaps are opened they provide an integral stand, placing the sterilizing chamber and operating controls at a convenient working height.



4. **Intended Use**

The Fort Defiance Industries, Inc. Automated Field Steam Sterilizer Model P2131 is designed for sterilization of porous and non-porous, heat- and moisture-stable materials (e.g., surgical instruments and textiles) used in healthcare facilities. The P2131 sterilizer is a transportable device designed for field use in a variety of austere environments.

The Fort Defiance Automated Field Steam Sterilizer is equipped with the following factory-validated preprogrammed sterilization cycles:

<u>Cycle</u>	<u>Recommended Use</u>	<u>Max Load</u>	<u>Exposure Temperature (°F/°C)</u>	<u>Exposure Time (minutes)</u>	<u>Dry Time (minutes)</u>
Immediate Use (IUSS)	Unwrapped nonporous (e.g., instruments) and porous items in mixed loads	36 lbs.	270/132	4	0
Textiles	Textile packs	3 textile packs ¹	270/132	4	5 ²
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Vacuum Leak Test	Test	NA	NA	Test time 20	0

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5. **Substantial Equivalence**

The previously cleared device and the P2131 Sterilizer are both traditional pre-vacuum steam sterilizers of similar chamber size using 4 and 10 minute 270°F cycles with the same Intended Use. Both sterilizers use electric heaters to generate steam, water eductors for vacuum, and electronic controllers with touch screens for cycle control. The main difference between the devices is that the P2131 is a transportable device so it uses light-weight aluminum for the frame, jacket and chamber instead of stainless steel for the chamber and carbon steel for the boiler. This provides some new technological differences from the predicate, but the differences do not affect the safety or effectiveness of the device. The table below provides a summary of the proposed new device and predicate device technological characteristics.

Technological Characteristic	New Device Fort Defiance Industries Automated Field Steam Sterilizer	Predicate Device STERIS AMSCO Century Steam Sterilizer
Intended Use	A steam sterilizer designed for sterilization of porous and non-porous, heat- and moisture-stable materials (e.g., surgical instruments and textiles) in healthcare facilities. The P2131 sterilizer is a transportable device designed for field use in a variety of austere environments.	A steam sterilizer designed for sterilization of non-porous and porous, heat- and moisture-stable materials in healthcare facilities.
Operating Principle	Steam is the sterilization agent. Traditional.	Steam is the sterilization agent. Traditional.
Sterilization Cycles	Factory Pre-Programmed Prevac 4/0 @ 270°F Prevac 4/5 @ 270°F Prevac 4/20 @ 270°F Prevac 10/20 @ 270°F Bowie-Dick & Vacuum Leak tests	Factory Pre-Programmed Prevac 3/1 @ 270°F Prevac 10/1 @ 270°F Prevac 4/3 @ 270°F Prevac 4/20 @ 270°F Prevac 3/16 @ 275°F 4 Gravity cycles Bowie-Dick & Vacuum Leak tests
Chamber Size & Volume	16” dia. x 36” lg. 4.2 cf. (118.6 L)	16” x 16” x 26” 3.9 cf. (108.7 L)
Design	Steam-jacketed	Steam-jacketed
Chamber	ASME Section VIII, Div. I certified Aluminum chamber, door, trays, frame and boiler (Aluminum for lighter weight)	ASME Section VIII, Div. I certified Stainless steel chamber, door, trays and frame. Carbon steel boiler.
Steam Source	Integrated steam boiler.	Integrated steam boiler or optional house steam.



Technological Characteristic	New Device Fort Defiance Industries Automated Field Steam Sterilizer	Predicate Device STERIS AMSCO Century Steam Sterilizer
Steam Generation	Electric heaters	Electric heaters
Vacuum System	Water eductor	Water eductor
Control Technology	Electronic controller Touch Screen	Electronic controller Touch Screen
Process Monitors	Chamber pressure transmitter. Dual element chamber drain temperature sensor.	Chamber pressure transmitter. Dual element chamber drain temperature sensor.
Safety Pressure Relief Valves	ASME approved	ASME approved
Electrical (Controls)	120V, 1Ø, 50/60 Hz	120V, 1Ø, 50/60 Hz
Electrical (Boiler)	208V, 3Ø, 50/60Hz, 30A	208V, 3Ø, 50/60Hz, 83A 240V, 3Ø, 50/60Hz, 72A 480V, 3Ø, 50/60Hz, 37A

6. **Effectiveness**

Effectiveness of sterilizer function and exposure time recommendations was demonstrated by complete kill of biological indicators and by verifying an appropriate safety factor or sterility assurance level (SAL) of at least 10^{-6} probability of survival. Fort Defiance validates its sterilization cycles using recommended practices, standards and guidelines developed by independent organizations such as the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI). The Fort Defiance Automated Field Steam Sterilizer has been validated to meet the requirements of ANSI/AAMI ST8:2013, *Hospital Steam Sterilizers*.

7. **Safety**

The Fort Defiance Automated Field Steam Sterilizer Model P2131 has been designed, constructed and tested to meet the safety and performance requirements of various national safety codes and standards. The Model P2131 sterilizer will comply with the following requirements:



- UL 61010-1 2nd Edition, “*Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 1 General Requirements*”.
- IEC 61010-2-040 1st Edition, “*Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - Part 2-040: Particular requirements for sterilizers and washer-disinfectors used to treat medical materials*”
- ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, Division I, 2013 Edition, Rules for Construction of Pressure Vessels

8, **Hazards – Failure of Performance**

Failure of the sterilization process can lead to incidence of cross contamination, the transmission of potentially infectious organisms from one infected person to another who was not otherwise infected prior to the incident.

To avoid failure, the user must ensure that the materials, instruments and devices to be sterilized are thoroughly cleaned, the manufacturer’s instructions for use are followed, the cycle to be used for each type of sterilizer load has been validated, the sterilizer has been maintained in accordance with the sterilizer manufacturer’s recommended maintenance schedule and is operating properly, and each sterilizer load is monitored with available and validated biological and chemical sterilization process indicators.

The technology designed into the Fort Defiance Automated Field Steam Sterilizer provides control safeguards that abort the cycle and give appropriate signals, alerts and warnings when required conditions have not been met or when a malfunction occurs.

9. **Conclusion**

The Fort Defiance Industries Automated Field Steam Sterilizer Model P2131 has been validated to meet the requirements of ANSI/AAMI ST8:2013. The results of the Automated Field Steam Sterilizer validation studies demonstrate that the sterilizer performs as intended. Based on the information provided in this premarket notification, it can be concluded that the Automated Field Steam Sterilizer Model P2131 is substantially equivalent to the predicate device and is as safe and as effective when used as intended.