ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about June 11, 1949, by the Keith-Victor Pharmacal Co., from St. Louis, Mo.

PRODUCT: Multi-Vitalins tablets. 223 100-tablet bottles, 172 1,000-tablet bottles, 5 6,000-tablet bottles, and 1 5,000-tablet bottle, in possession of the Lincoln Laboratories, Inc., Decatur, Ill. The product had been shipped in a bulk container bearing the statement, among others, that each tablet contained 20 mgs. of niacin. It was repackaged and labeled by the consignee. Examination showed that the product contained less than 20 mgs. of niacin per tablet.

LABEL, IN PART: (Repackaged article) "Multi-Vitalins Red Oval Each Tablet Contains: * * * Niacin 20 Mgs."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration Section 402 (b) (1), a valuable constituent, niacin, had been in part omitted or abstracted from the article. It was adulterated when introduced into, and while held for sale after shipment in, interstate commerce.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label statement "Each tablet contains: * * * Niacin 20 mgs." was false and misleading as applied to the article, which contained less than 20 mgs. of niacin. Further misbranding, Section 403 (j), the article purported to be, and was represented as, a food for special dietary uses by reason of its vitamin content, and its label failed to bear as prescribed by the regulations a statement of the proportion of the minimum daily requirements of vitamins A, D, B_1, B_2, and C, and the amounts of vitamin B_6, niacin, and calcium pantothenate furnished by a specific quantity of the article when consumed during a period of one day; and its label failed also to bear as required by the regulations the statement that "The need for vitamin B_6 and calcium pantothenate in human nutrition has not been established." The article was misbranded while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: October 17, 1949. The Keith-Victor Pharmacal Co., St. Louis, Mo., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for relabeling under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency.

15297. Adulteration and misbranding of Private Formula tablets. U. S. v. 1 Drum * * *. (F. D. C. No. 27661. Sample No. 46081–K.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about August 5, 1949, Western District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 20, 1948, from Chicago, Ill.

PRODUCT: 1 drum containing 30,000 Private Formula tablets at Springfield, Mo.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (1), valuable constituents, thiamine hydrochloride (vitamin B_1), and niacinamide, had been in part omitted or abstracted from the article.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label statement "Each tablet represents Thiamin HCL 850 USP Units * * * Niacinamide 10 mg." was false and misleading as applied to the article which contained less than those amounts.

The article was adulterated and misbranded while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: October 6, 1949. Default decree of destruction.

15298. Adulteration and misbranding of Multi-Vi Liquid. U. S. v. 60 Bottles * * *. (F. D. C. No. 27660. Sample No. 25956–K.)

LIBEL FILED: July 23, 1949, District of Minnesota.