

FDA Issues First-Ever No-Tobacco-Sale Order

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In 2009, [The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act](#) amended the Federal Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) to give the FDA important new authority to regulate the manufacture, marketing and distribution of tobacco products.

Under the law, the FDA may pursue an NTSO against retailers that have a total of five or more repeated violations of those restrictions during compliance inspections within 36 months. As of October 1, 2015, the FDA has conducted more than 508,000 inspections of tobacco product retail establishments; issued more than 35,700 warning letters to retailers for violating the law; and, initiated more than 5,200 civil money penalty cases. Thanks to FMI for the information.