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The Honorable John D. Dingell, Chairman  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
The Honorable Bart Stupak, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations  
2125 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Dingell and Chairman Stupak:

Abbott Nutrition has asked me to provide you with the following information regarding the use of chemical bisphenol A (BPA) in the lining of metal cans that hold liquid infant formula.

Abbott has already commenced efforts to evaluate and identify alternative packaging options.

Their focus in the transition will be assuring the safety and quality of alternative packaging. In the meantime, they want to assure you and their customers that the packaging containing its infant formula is safe. Each time Abbott formulas have been tested for BPA, the results are either undetectable or, in the recently released Health Canada Report, far below (50 or more times below) established safety limits—even when the most sensitive and conservative testing methods are used.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Theodore M. Hester

cc: The Honorable Joe Barton, Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
The Honorable John Shimkus, Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations