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Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
College Park, MD 20740

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RE: Qualified Health Claim Petition – Corn Oil and Corn Oil-Containing Products and a
Reduced Risk of Heart Disease

Dear Mr. Wood:

This letter acknowledges receipt on May 2, 2006 by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of your qualified health claim petition submitted, on behalf of ACH Food Companies, Inc., in accordance with the July 10, 2003 Task Force report on the Consumer Health Information for Better Nutrition Initiative. This petition requests a qualified health claim for the relationship between the consumption of corn oil and corn oil-containing products and a reduced risk of heart disease. It was unclear which section of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act that the petition was being submitted, but in our telephone conversation on May 12, 2006 you confirmed that the petition was being submitted pursuant to section 403(r)(4) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 343(r)(4)).

The petition is undergoing initial FDA review. In accordance with the interim procedures set forth in the aforementioned Task Force Report (<http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/~dms/nutfftoc.html>), within 45 days of receipt of your petition, you will be notified of FDA's decision to either file the petition for comprehensive review or to deny the petition. A denial may be by either FDA action within the initial 45-day period, which ends on June 16, 2006, or by a lack of action by FDA within the initial 45-day period, in which case the petition shall be deemed to be denied unless an extension is mutually agreed upon by FDA and the petitioner.

Please feel free to contact me at (301) 436-2031 if you have any questions concerning this petition.

Sincerely yours,

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