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The Honorable John D. Dingell
Chairman
Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Bart Stupak
Chairman
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Re: BPA in Infant Formula

Dear Congressman Dingell and Congressman Stupak:

Please accept this as PBM's response to your letter dated May 6, 2008 requesting that we discontinue the use of the chemical Bisphenol A. (BPA) to line cans containing infant formula manufactured by PBM Products.

As advised in our February 8, 2008 response to your initial letter of January 17, 2008, PBM shares the Committee's goal of providing the safest and most advanced formulas to the infants and children who are fed our formulas. We, too have been following the press reports, opinions and concerns referenced in your May 6, 2008 letter. In fact, even before receiving your request, PBM had already taken steps to begin the elimination of Bispenol A from its infant formula packaging across our entire product line. Although the scientific evidence is inconclusive, the possibility that Bisphenol A may pose adverse health risks to the infants and children who are fed our formula was more than sufficient for us to begin the process of eliminating Bisphenol A from our infant formula packaging.

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As noted in our February 8th response, the manufacturers who supply the cans and components, including chemical liners, to PBM have always complied with each of the requirements of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and PBM has relied on the approvals and assurances of compliance running between the FDA and these can manufacturers. While PBM does not manufacture its own cans, nor do we have the expertise in the can manufacturing process, and even though we have relied upon the FDA standards and the FDA can company approvals and compliance with those standards, we have nonetheless advised our manufacturers to remove Bisphenol A from the liners of the cans which they supply to us and will follow up with them to make sure that this is done as expeditiously as is possible while still complying with the FDA's approval process.

In short, we share the Committee's concerns, which is why we already have begun the process of removing Bisphenol A from our infant formula packaging. We are particularly pleased that the Committee shares PBM's goal of providing the safest and most advanced formulas to the very best of our ability. Please advise if you have any further questions or comments regarding the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

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