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Ms. Wenonah Hauter
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Dear Ms. Hauter:

Thank you for your February 12 and March 8 letters on the issue of food irradiation. I regret that I am unable to meet with you. I understand that you have been in contact with our Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition and will be meeting with Dr. Alan Rulis, Director of the Office of Premarket Approval, on March 26. As always, we appreciate hearing your views.

Thank you for your continued interest in food irradiation.

Sincerely,

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