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Food and Drug Administration  
5100 Paint Branch Parkway  
College Park  
Maryland, USA  
20740-3835

Attention: Kathleen Ellwood, Ph.D., Director, Division of Nutrition Products, Labeling and Dietary Supplements

Re: FDA Letter Regarding Enforcement Discretion With Respect to Expanded Use of an Interim Health Claim Rule About Plant Sterol/Stanol Esters and Reduced Risk of Coronary Heart Disease

James Hoadley at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition suggested that we contact you to request that the letter issued to Cargill Health Food and Technologies on February 14, 2003 (copy attached) be extended to Forbes Medi-Tech Inc.

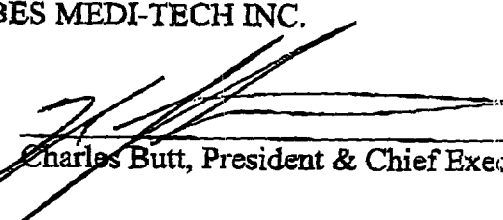
We would appreciate it if you would both fax and mail us the same letter as was sent to Cargill at your earliest convenience. Our fax number is 604-689-7641.

Kindly contact the writer or our legal counsel, Nancy Glaister, at 604-689-5899 should you require any further information concerning this request.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly,

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Per:   
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