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November 11, 2003

Mr. Amit K. Sachdev
Associate Commissioner for Legislation
Food and Drug Administration
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Rockville, MD 20857-0001

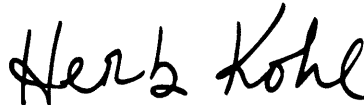
Dear Mr. Sachdev:

I am writing to request your assistance in helping a Wisconsin constituent. Enclosed please find a copy of the correspondence I received.

Any assistance you could provide in responding to these concerns would be greatly appreciated. Please respond directly to my constituent and send a copy to my office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Herb Kohl
United States Senator

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Enclosure

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Senator Herb Kohl
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Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Kohl:

Rock-Tenn Company is one of North America's leading manufacturers of packaging products, merchandising displays and recycled paperboard. I am writing on behalf of Rock-Tenn Company to express my concern about the regulatory proposals the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) issued earlier this year under the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002 (Bioterrorism Act). These proposals will impose significant burdens and cost on facilities that manufacture food-packaging materials with minimal reduction security risk to the food supply.

I am requesting your intervention. The FDA is planning to finalize two of the rules by October 2003, to meet the statutory deadline of December 12, 2003. Please contact the FDA and insist that the FDA limit their scope of these regulations to those facilities that actually "*manufacture, process, pack or hold food for consumption*". It is urgent that you express your concern that the subject provisions are contrary to the Congressional intent and that, as written, will impose significant burdens without improving the protection of the nations food supply.

If you or your staff needs additional information related to this subject, please feel free to contact Steve Haselmann at 651-641-4127.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Adreon
General Manager
Rock-Tenn Company Milwaukee Folding

cc: Nick George