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Re: Food Contact Notification (FCN) Electronic Submissions Pilot Project [Docket No. 2003N-0513]

To: Dockets Management Division

This request is regarding the Food Contact Notification (FCN) Electronic Submissions Pilot Project.

Ciba Specialty Chemicals is requesting that we be allowed to participate and include our comments regarding the pilot project. We would like to volunteer to participate in this pilot program, for submission of FCNs in electronic format.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (914) 785-2016, or e-mail at patricia.kinne@cibasc.com.

Sincerely,

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