



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville MD 20857

May 29, 2001

Seth C. Silber
Federal Trade Commission
60 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20580

Dear Mr. Silber:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to clarify certain issues relating to patent listings in the "Orange Book" was received by this office on 05/25/01. It was assigned docket number 01P-0248/CP 1 and it was filed on 05/29/01. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Lyle D. Jaffe".

Lyle D. Jaffe
Dockets Management Branch

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