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RE: Qualified Health Claim Petition – Corn Oil and Corn Oil-Containing Products
and a Reduced Risk of Heart Disease (Docket No. 2006P-0243)

Dear Mr. Wood:

On May 16, 2006, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) acknowledged receipt of the petition you submitted, on behalf of ACH Food Companies, Inc., pursuant to section 403(r)(4) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 343(r)(4)) and in accordance with the July 10, 2003 Task Force report on the Consumer Health Information for Better Nutrition Initiative. The petition requests a qualified health claim for the relationship between the consumption of corn oil and corn oil-containing products and a reduced risk of heart disease.

In accordance with the FDA's guidance entitled, "Interim Procedures for Qualified Health Claims in the Labeling of Conventional Human Food and Human Dietary Supplements" (<http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/~dms/nuttftoc.html>), FDA is to determine, within 45 days of receipt of a qualified health claim petition, whether the petition is complete and can be filed for further review. Consequently, today we are filing the qualified health claim for corn oil and corn oil-containing products and their relationship to heart disease. The petition is posted at this web address <http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/oc/dockets/comments/commentdocket.cfm?AGENCY=FDA> and we are requesting comment on it for 60 days. Interested persons may submit comments until August 15, 2006. Within 270 days of the receipt of the petition, we will notify you of our final decision regarding the requested qualified health claim. We have calculated this date to be January 27, 2007. Since this date falls on a Saturday, we will notify you of our final decision by Friday January 26, 2007.

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Please feel free to contact Dr. Julie Moss at (301) 436-2031 if you have any questions concerning this petition.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Schneeman".

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