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Mr. Henry W. Todd, Vice-President P.O. Box 321 Commerce Drive Montgomeryville Industrial Center Montgomeryville, Pa. 18936

Dear Mr. Todd:

This is in replyto your letter of 3/3/80 concerning the use of a flavor consisting of one ounce of vanillin per unit of vanilla constituent plus a flavor not derived from the vanilla bean in a category II vanilla ice cream.

The addition of a flavor agent not derived from the vanilla bean to the standardized flavor "Vanilla-Vanillin Extract" could not qualify as a flavor for category II Vanilla Flavored Ice Cream since the vanillin and flavor not derived from the vanilla bean would predominate. However, this flavor combination when used in ice cream would qualify as flavor in the category III product.

Sincerely yours,

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