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December 9, 2003

Attn: Lyle Jaffe (only)
Dockets Management Branch
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Fax: 301.827.6870

Re: Food additive modification petition, irradiated ground beef

Dear Mr. Jaffe,

Further to my phone conversations with you, this is to request that the petition I filed on December 1 on behalf of the Center for Food Safety and Public Citizen (your ref. # 2003P-0544) be withdrawn from filing as a citizen petition and correctly filed with the appropriate food additive office at CFSAN. If you cannot do this yourself, please and return it to me. I will then file it in the appropriate CFSAN office myself.

21 CFR 171.1(c)G includes specific allowance for filing a food additive petition to modify an existing food additive approval and the form of what I filed follows this closely. I apologize for causing any confusion by sending it to Dockets Management. It was addressed to the "Petitions Control Branch."

Please contact me immediately if you have any questions and advise me of the actions you will take. My contact information is below; my email is peterjenkins@icta.org.

Sincerely,

Peter T. Jenkins
Attorney

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