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Subject: RE: Docket Number - 2003N-0169 - Comments and Questions

Dear Ms. Newell:

The answers to your questions are listed below.

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Dear Ms. Butler,

I am so glad that we had an opportunity to talk this on morning on June 17, 2003 regarding Docket Number - 2003N-0169. I was very pleased that you reassured me that all e-mails and correspondence sent to the FDA regarding mercury amalgam dental fillings are being routed to Docket Number - 2003N-0169 even if the number on the subject line is wrong. Thank you.

As I said, when we put the request to get scientific studies to the FDA docket, I must have accidentally put the wrong docket number and lot of the e-mails and correspondences sent to FDA had Docket Number 03N-0169. We appreciate you and your team's hard work to make sure that all of these e-mails are posted to the correct docket number - 2003N-0169. I know that one individual has sent hours sending in over 40 e-mails to include attachments, so we want to make sure that his information is recorded. Sorry for the confusion and thank you for your diligence to ensure the e-mails and correspondences are routed properly. Thank you.

I have yet to see any of the e-mails posted to the docket starting with dates back to May 22, 2003 but I do realize that the computer system has had many problems. I truly do understand the frustration with computer issues and problems. As .I said in our conversation this morning, that I do not want to make extra work for you by having you verify duplicate e-mails. I want to work together and not make it hard on you or your staff. Thank you.

Question 1: Do you have any idea when the early e-mails will be posted? [Butler, Jennie C] The e-mail comments were logged on June 9, 2003. However, the daily listing did not reflect the comments. The listing has been corrected.

Comment: I do realize that every day is very challenging with new computer issues and I do appreciate the hard work that your team is doing to record to the docket for public record. Thank you.

Question 2: When would you like me to re-send the e-mails that I do not see posted? [Butler, Jennie C] Please give us until the end of the next week to finish logging the comments we have

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received.

Comment: Again, I do not want to make extra work for you or your team but I know that you understand the important of getting all the e-mails recorded to the docket for public record.

Thank you also for answering my questions to include why I was not able to search for "Mercury amalgam fillings" in the docket search before it was posted. I understand how frustrated systems are that don't talk/work together. I am glad to understand now that the Docket Management and the Federal Register don't talk - thank you.

Question 3: Is 301-827-6868 the correct FDA fax number to send all correspondence for the docket?[Butler, Jennie C] The correct fax number is 301-827-6870.

Question 4: Does FDA accept attachments with e-mails? [Butler, Jennie C] Yes

Question 5: If question 4 is yes, are all of the following acceptable - pdf, Word, rtf. & txt?[Butler, Jennie C] Yes

Again, Ms. Butler, thank you for all your help and I appreciate your help in answering my five questions.

Have a nice day.

Thank you, Mary Ann Newell Manager of the Files for Consumers for Dental Choice