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Re: Docket No. 02P-0013/CP 1 (Food Additive Petition No. 2Z4742)

Dear Dr. Meyer:

This letter is regarding your citizen petition under docket number 02P-0013/CP 1, requesting that the Food and Drug Administration rescind the generally recognized as safe status for aluminum containing food additives, specifically sodium aluminum sulfates, sodium aluminum phosphates, and aluminum sulfates. On January 27, 2003, we requested full copies of the references that were used to support your petition in order for us to continue our review. We also requested that you provide an explanation as to how this information supports your position.

If you would like us to resume our review of your petition, please provide us full copies of the reference materials that you have relied on, or convey to us your intention to do so, within 30 days of the date of this letter. Please also provide an adequate explanation as to how this information supports your request.

Currently, and for the reasons noted above, your petition is incomplete. If we are to make a decision based on technical merit then it is imperative that you provide us with the information that we have requested. If this material, or your intention to provide it, is not received within 30 days, we will in all likelihood move to deny your petition based on its administrative inadequacy.

Please submit any correspondence or submission to Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), 5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

Sincerely yours,

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