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[Docket No. 98D-0969] "Guidance for Industry: Evaluation of the Human Health Impact of the Microbial Effects of Antimicrobial New Animal Drugs for use in Food Producing Animals."

Dear Peggy:

The Animal Health Institute would like the opportunity to submit written comments on the proposed guidance document published in the November 18, 1998 Federal Register. However, due to the crush of activities at this time of year, it is not possible for AHI to meet the deadline for comments of December 18, 1998.

We are working on draft comments and will submit them to the Docket at the earliest possible date in January. We hope that our comments will be considered as the Agency reviews and refines the proposed guidance.

Sincerely yours,

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