



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville MD 20857

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Katherine Harris
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Dear Ms. Harris:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to amend 21 CFR 101.9(c)(7) to provide for the use of any method of calculating protein content in food endorsed by AOAC International was received by this office on 12/21/00. It was assigned docket number 00P-1680/CP 1 and it was filed on 12/21/00. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

Lyle D. Gaffe
Dockets Management Branch

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