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Re: Tagatose Health Claim Petition (Docket No. 02P-0177)

Dear Mr. Hoadley:

On behalf of our client, Arla Foods Ingredients amba (Arla), we wish to confirm that Arla agrees to your proposed extension of the review period for the tagatose health claim petition, as discussed on June 26, 2002. We understand that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) agrees to publish an interim final rule in response to the health claim petition no later than December 2, 2002.

Please contact me as soon as possible if the above is not consistent with your understanding of the mutually agreed upon extension for FDA review of the tagatose health claim petition.

Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM

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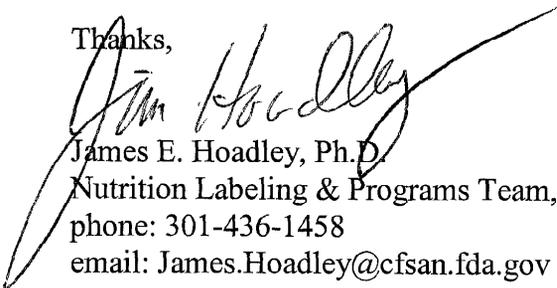
DATE: July 15, 2002

RE: DOCKET No. 02P-0177, TAGATOSE HEALTH CLAIM PETITION

Jennie,

Would you please add the enclosed letter from Diane McColl, dated July 11, 2002, to the Tagatose Health Claim Petition docket, Docket No.

Thanks,

  
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