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On behalf of the American Environmental Safety Institute

Dear Mr. Carrick:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to amend 21 CFR 163, "Cacao Products: Standards of Identity" to establish maximum permitted levels of the toxic metals lead and cadmium in wholesale and retail chocolate products was received by this office on 05/08/02. It was assigned docket number 02P-0211/CP 1 and it was filed on 05/08/02. 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. Jaffe
Dockets Management Branch

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