

**WARNING LETTER**

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Chief Executive Officer
Murray Shore Pharmacy
3539 Bathurst Street
Toronto, Ontario M6A2C7
Canada

Dear Chief Executive Officer:

The United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has been informed that your firm is soliciting the citizens of the United States to purchase various unapproved prescription drugs. These drugs may not be legally marketed in this country, and therefore, your activities are in serious violation of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

The FDA considers these drugs to be in violation of Title 21 United States Code (U.S.C.) 355(a) because they are new drugs without approved new drug applications. In addition, these prescription drugs appear to be misbranded in that they lack adequate directions for use [Title 21 U.S.C. 352(f)(1)].

The FDA does not permit the personal importation of drugs when: 1) they are promoted to persons residing in the United States; 2) they represent unapproved versions of drugs available in this country; and 3) they pose an unreasonable risk to public health.

We are taking steps to warn our citizens that these drugs are not approved for marketing in this country and may not be legally imported. By this letter, we are also advising the regulatory drug officials in the countries from which you operate, of these violations.

We have advised other federal officials through an Import Alert that all shipments found entering the United States as a result of such activities shall be automatically detained and refused entry.

The violations listed above are not intended to be all inclusive.

Please notify this office in writing of the specific steps you have taken to correct these serious violations within 15 days of the receipt of this letter.

Your reply should be addressed to the following:

Donald L. Leggett
United States Food and Drug Administration
7520 Standish Place (HFD-316)
Rockville, MD 20855

Sincerely,

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~~Bradford W. Williams~~
Director
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