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James Lafferty, President
San Jose Jet Center
1250 Aviation Avenue
San Jose, CA 95110

WARNING LETTER

Dear Mr. Lafferty:

On April 16, 1997, FDA Investigator Lorna F. Jones conducted an inspection of your airline waste service facility and commissary. Your operations are in serious violation of the federal regulations for good manufacturing practices (GMP's) which are established in Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 110 (21 CFR 110), Part 1250 (21 CFR 1250), and Section 361 of the Public Health Service Act. Observations by FDA Investigator Jones were listed on Form FDA 483 and discussed with you at the conclusion of the inspection.

Lack of adequate food protection was demonstrated at your commissary facility by the following observations: the ice machine used to manufacture ice for use in passenger drinks is located outside the building under a stairway where the ice can become contaminated; the ice scoop was stored on the dirty, unsanitized top of the ice machine when not in use; the ice machine and ice scoop are not being sanitized on a periodic basis; dirt and grease were observed on the outer surface of the ice machine door; and there is no easily accessible hand wash sink for employees packaging ice.

Lack of proper protection of the potable water supply at your facility was demonstrated by the following observations: there is no backflow prevention device to adequately protect the hose bib where hoses are connected to fill waste service carts with deodorizer and water; the end of this hose was also observed uncapped and stored directly on the ground; a waste service hose was stored directly in the sewage pit, and toilet paper was observed on the pavement around the sewage pit.

These insanitary conditions are likely to result in adulteration of foods within the meaning of Sections 402(a)(3) and/or 402(a)(4) of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Adulteration of food while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce is prohibited by Section 301(k) of the Act. Delivery or causing the delivery of adulterated foods into interstate commerce is prohibited by Section 301(a).

The findings were discussed with James O. Rutherford, Vice President of Operations, at the conclusion of the inspection, and copies of FDA 483, List of Observations, were provided to him. Copies of FDA 483, List of Observations, and Form FDA 2528, Airline Service Area Sanitation Form are being provided to you for your information.

Based on these findings, your facilities have been assessed a "Provisional" classification. A "Provisional" classification means that if the deficiencies are not corrected within thirty working days from receipt of this notification, your firm will be placed on "Not Approved" status. A "Not Approved" status means that food, beverage, and waste service from your firm's facility will be prohibited from use by interstate conveyances at the San Jose International Airport.

Failure to take prompt corrective action may result in appropriate regulatory action, such as seizure and/or injunction without further notice. You should notify this office within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of this letter of the specific steps you have taken to correct the violations, including an explanation of preventive measures taken to preclude recurrence of similar violations. If corrective action cannot be completed within fifteen working days, cite the reason for the delay and the time by which the corrections will be completed. Please direct your response to Mr. Randy Zielinski. You may wish to FAX your response to Mr. Zielinski at (510) 337-6703.

Sincerely,



Patricia C. Ziobro
District Director
San Francisco District