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October 9, 2002

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Dear Ms. Christin:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to establish a microbial testing program hazards in seafood products, was received by this office on 10/09/02. It was assigned docket number 02P-0440/CP 1 and it was filed on 10/09/02. 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gloria Ortega".

Gloria Ortega
Dockets Management Branch

02P-0440

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