



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville, MD 20857

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Gerry Morrison, President
Carbolite Foods, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Morrison:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration to issue food labeling and enforcement policy guidance accepting the term "net effective carbohydrate" and similar terms for use in food labeling to represent the net amount of carbohydrates calculated by subtracting the amounts of "dietary fiber" and "sugar alcohols" from the amount of "total carbohydrates" declared in the Nutrition Facts box, was received by this office on 10/26/2004. It was assigned docket number 2004P-0473/CP 1 and it was filed on 10/26/2004. 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,

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