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Food and Drug Adminisitrator:

As there are harmful transfatty acids in many foods, such as, baked goods, crackers, margarine, peanut butter, etc., especially in the form of hydrogenated oils, and partly-hydrogenated oils, it is important that these products should have labels that clearly indicate the fact that the product includes these transfatty acids.

No matter what the amount is, or whether it is considered a negligible amount per serving, it should be clearly indicated so the consumer is aware of the presence of the hydrogenated oils in the product. One margarine indicates "transfatty acid free", simply because it is less than the a specified amount per serving. If this product is used in baking in multiple serving amounts, it clearly presents a different picture than the one printed on the box. If used in high quantity, it is definitely a product that may present a vascular blockage, as trans fat poses more of a threat to health than saturated fat.

I request that you require explicit labeling of content of the products used in foods, as well as require safe ingredients, including artificial additives and food colors - both which are harmful to many people posing threats to their health.

Respectfully,

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