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RE: REQUEST FOR COMMENT DEADLINE — FDA DOCKET NUMBER 99N-4784

Dear Mr. Sheehan:

I am writing on behalf of the Feminine Hygiene Task Force of INDA, Association of the Nonwoven Fabrics Industry, to request a 60-day extension of the comment deadline regarding FDA Docket Number 99N-4784 ("Premarket Notification: Requirement for Redacted Version of Substantially-Equivalent Premarket Notification"). Members of INDA's Feminine Hygiene Task Force include major manufacturers of tampons offered for sale in the United States, and Task Force members have not had adequate time to determine if comment is needed in response to the December 21, 1999 proposed rule.

Considering that the proposal will not have a significant impact on public health, we respectfully request that the comment deadline be extended until at least May 22, 2000. This will give members of INDA's Task Force ample opportunity to review the proposed rule and draft comments if necessary.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any question or need additional information regarding this request. Otherwise, I will await your fastest response.

Sincerely,



Peter G. Mayberry
Director of Government Affairs

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