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Re: Docket # 99P - 5106

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to give input on the above subject, the expansion of the designation "natural flavorings" in foods to include, specifically, what those natural flavorings are comprised of. I have personal experience with people with food sensitivities which can lead to anaphylactic shock, which is life threatening, and migraines so severe that it pained me to see it.

These individuals know the substances that cause these reactions. All they need is to be able to make informed choices about the foods they consume. As it is now they must eliminate many food choices because it might have the ingredient that threatens their well-being.

I have to believe that this would be good for the food industry also, not only for individual citizens. Please, strongly consider approving this change in the way food manufacturers label foods.

Sincerely,


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