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RE: Docket 01Q-0313; Health Claim Petition to Expand Oats Soluble Fiber and CHD Claim

Dear Dr. Hoadley:

As follow-up to today's telephone conversation regarding the above health claim petition, the Quaker/Rhodia Partnership is agreeable to extending the 190-day deadline for the petition until December 31, 2001.

We appreciate the effort that you and your staff are devoting to this endeavor. Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (312) 222-7801.

Sincerely
The Quaker Oats Company

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