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**Re: Docket Nos. 1996P-0418, 1997P-0197, 1998P-0203,
and 2000N-0504 and RIN Number 0910-AC14**

Dear Sir or Madam:

United Egg Producers (UEP) filed comments on FDA's proposed egg safety rule on December 21, 2004, and has since had an opportunity to review some comments filed by other individuals and companies. Although we realize the comment deadline has now passed, we would hope this letter might be made part of the record.

UEP simply wants to express its agreement with the comprehensive comments on vaccination filed by Ft. Dodge Animal Health on December 9, 2004. We are not aware of any more comprehensive review of the international scientific literature on vaccination for *Salmonella* Enteritidis than this document prepared by experts in the field.

UEP's own comments stressed the need for the rule to provide incentives for vaccination, and noted that vaccine companies would be filing extensive comments. Ft. Dodge Animal Health's comments provide strong science-based support for the use of vaccines as one element in an SE control strategy. UEP strongly encourages FDA to give these comments careful and favorable review.

Thank you for your consideration of our views.

Sincerely,

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