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

Dear Dr. Larsen:

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 October 1, 2002.

As we also discussed we will calendar an interim review conference call regarding the status of the petition for the week of July 15, 2002. As that date approaches we can make specific plans to confer.

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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