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Subject: Cancer is an important health issue affecting the American people

Dear Dr. Schoenfeld:

Thank you for your letter dated May 12, 2005 in response to my letter of May 9, 2005 to the Surgeon General. I am enclosing herewith a copy of your letter for your ready reference.

I am glad to learn that the Surgeon General, VADM Carmona is addressing a number of important health issues affecting the American people. One of his focuses is educating Americans on disease prevention and life-long healthy living as a key component to medical care.

The most recent statistics showed that cancer has become the No. 1 killer of Americans below the age 85. Since most Americans are younger than 85, we can assume cancer is an important health issue for all Americans. Prevention, or more accurately risk reduction, of cancer through proper diets and healthy living is the most effective way to fight cancer, a key component to medical care. There is overwhelming scientific evidence published in the public domain to support a statement that regular consumption of "typical" green tea in a sufficient quantity may reduce the risk of certain cancers in humans. A recent review article published in May 2005 by Professor Hirota Fujiki is enclosed herewith for your reference.

I am writing to ask you to advise the Surgeon General's office to work with the FDA to inform the Americans if these publications of using green tea to reduce cancer risk are scientifically credible. I have submitted an application based on review of the world literature for such a qualified health claim under Docket No. 2004Q-0083 which might be of interest to the Surgeon General in his focusing on important disease prevention and public education.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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1. Letter dated May 12, 2005 from Ron Schoenfeld, Ph.D.
2. Fujiki H: Green Tea: Health Benefits as Cancer Preventive for Humans. The Chemical Record 2005;5:119-132.

cc. Mr. Sheldon T. Bradshaw, Chief Counsel, FDA; Dr. Lester Crawford, Acting Commissioner of FDA; Senator Chris Dodd; Senator Joe Lieberman; Congresswoman Rosa L. DeLauro; Congressman Christopher Shays; Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson; Congressman John B. Larson; Congressman Rob Simmons; Senator Mike Enzi, Chairman of Senate HELP Committee.

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