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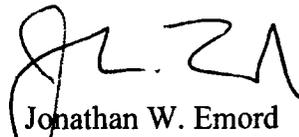
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Re: Nutrition 21, Inc., Health Claim Petition for Chromium Picolinate

Dear Dr. Moss:

Nutrition 21, Inc., by counsel, hereby gives its consent to FDA's request for a second extension of time until April 18, 2005 within which the agency shall issue its decision on Nutrition 21's pending qualified health claim petition concerning chromium picolinate.

Sincerely,


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