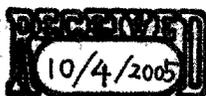


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**Re: 2004Q-0151; Qualified Health Claim Petition: Soy Protein and Cancer;  
Request to Withdraw Petition**

Dear Dr. Ellwood:

As Petitioner, The Solae Company hereby formally confirms its decision to withdraw from further consideration the qualified health claim addressing the relationship between soy protein consumption and prevention of cancer, referenced above.

The nutrition science pertaining to the health benefits of soy protein is substantial and continues to evolve. Beyond the unqualified health claim for soy protein and heart disease, there is great promise in other areas. This information is relevant to consumers and serves as a catalyst for further scientific investigation.

The Solae Company is committed to ensuring that it imparts information to consumers that is lawful, informative and accurate. To this end, we have closely monitored recent FDA actions with respect to certain qualified health claims. With the benefit of this information, The Solae Company respectfully reserves the option to resubmit a qualified health claim petition centering on soy protein and prevention of cancer in the future.

The Solae Company is most appreciative of the deliberate fashion in which FDA reviewed its qualified health claim petition. We look forward to working cooperatively with FDA on this and other issues in the future.

Sincerely,

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