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Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)
Food and Drug Administration
5630 Fishers Lane
Room 1061
Rockville, MD 20852

Re: Docket No. 2006N-0168 – Food Labeling: Revision of Reference Values and Mandatory Nutrients

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Association for Dressings and Sauces (ADS) is the international trade association representing manufacturers of salad dressings, mayonnaise and condiment sauces and the suppliers to the industry. ADS respectfully requests a 90-day extension to file comments regarding the November 2, 2007 advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM), Food Labeling: Revision of Reference Values and Mandatory Nutrients, published in the *Federal Register* (72 FR 62149). The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has established a deadline of January 31, 2008 for comment.

Any revisions to the reference values for nutrition labeling or changes to the declaration of nutrients on the food label would have a significant impact on the food industry and the current food labeling regulations. Any proposal suggesting possible revisions to the Nutrition Facts Panel on the food label must be reviewed in-depth. ADS is requesting a 90-day extension to the current deadline for comment to allow adequate time to review the ANPRM and to draft comments in response to the extensive list of questions posed by the FDA.

Sincerely,

Patricia Faison
Director of Regulatory & Technical Affairs

cc: Paula R. Trumbo

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