4/24/99

Dockets Management Branch.

Re: Docket # 98N-1038 "Irradiation in Production, Processing, + Handling of Food."

2000 '99 APR 30 AM 10

To Whom it may concern:

The FDA should retain the current labeling law, terminology of "treated with radiation" or "treated by irradiation," and use of the radura symbol on all irradiated whole foods

Regardling labeling the FDA concluded irradiation was a "material ~~[illegible]~~ fact" + should be disclosed. The material fact remains, therefore the labeling should remain.

All irradiated foods contain unique radiolytic products which have not been tested. Consumers have a right to know if this process has been used

The label should be large enough to be readily visible - on the front of a package. For displayed foods a prominent informational display should be there. It should contain the term irradiation and the radura.

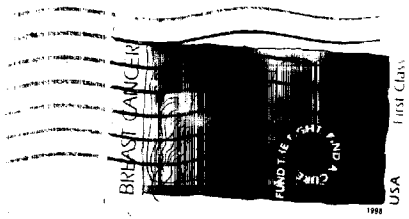
98N-1038 C1011

I believe the FDA's labeling requirement should not be allowed to expire. I also believe that a central group of aware people should test this technology by consent - not the unaware consumer. The consumer has a right to know how food is processed.

Yours:
Sara Chelton Ma

Sara Shelton Mann
CONTRABAND
499 Alabama Street #202
San Francisco, CA 94110

SAN FRANCISCO CA
PM
APR
1999



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

20857/0001