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Re: Notification for Nutrient Content Claims Based on an Authoritative  
Statement: DHA, EPA, and ALA (Specific Omega-3 Fatty Acids)

Dear Mr. O'Flaherty:

This letter acknowledges receipt on January 16, 2004, by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of the nutrient content claim notification you submitted pursuant to Section 403(r)(2)(G) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 343(r)(2)(G)). The notification is informing FDA that Alaska General Seafoods, Ocean Beauty Seafoods, Inc., and Trans-Ocean Products, Inc. intend to make nutrient content claims based upon authoritative statements of the Institute of Medicine. The nutrient content claims are for foods and dietary supplements containing docosahexaenoic acid (DHA), eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA), and/or Alpha-linolenic acid (ALA).

The notification is undergoing FDA review. In accordance with Section 403(r)(2)(G) of the act, within 120 days (ending on May 1, 2004) of receipt of your nutrient content claim notification, you will be informed by FDA if the notification does not comply with Section 403(r)(2) of the act. A lack of action by FDA within the 120-day period will deem the proposed nutrient content claims approved and will allow a food or a dietary supplement with a label containing the claims to be introduced into interstate commerce.

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If you have any questions concerning this notification, please feel free to contact me at (301) 436-1491.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shellee Anderson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'S'.

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