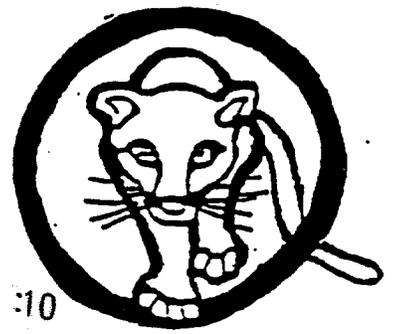


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Dear FDA:

Gray Panthers of Northern California is strongly opposed to the use of the term "fresh" in describing irradiated foods. We have written our Congresspersons about our feelings on this issue as well. The use of the term should be reserved for food directly transported from farm to store. We consumers request that you rescind your decision to allow raw food which has been irradiated to be labelled fresh. This would mislead the public who want to have true choice available to them.

Only allow labeling which truly reflects the meaning of the word "fresh".

Sincerely,

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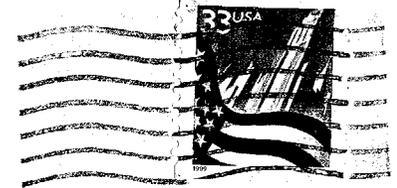
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