



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville MD 20857

March 22, 2000

Andrew Kimbrell
Executive Director
Center for Food Safety
666 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE
Suite 302
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Mr. Kimbrell:

Your petition seeking the establishment of mandatory pre-market safety testing, pre-market environmental review and labeling for all genetically engineered foods was received by this office on 03/21/00. It was assigned docket number 00P-1211/CP 1 and it was filed on 03/22/00. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lyle D. Jaffe".

Lyle D. Jaffe
Dockets Management Branch

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