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Dear Ms. Henney,

Re: Warning Label on Olestra

I cannot believe that you are considering not putting warning labels on olestra products. You should be considering putting larger labels on such a dangerous product. For every complaint which you have received, there are at least two times as many that have not been reported. I personally know of six.

Olestra nearly killed me. I have never known such pain. I was on Hydrocodone for 30 days and it did not stop the pain completely. It took me 3 months to get back on my feet. All of my tests came back negative. I was in good health before olestra. I am now 79 but have never recovered all my energy and stamina although I am still in good health. This past year, I had a very painful case of shingles. A friend commented to me recently that the shingles certainly would have been more painful than the olestra. Was she surprised, when I said the shingles weren't even in the same league.

I beg of you do not stop warning labels on such a dangerous product as olestra.

Yours very truly,
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