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Ms. Nancy A. Mason
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Dear Ms. Mason:

Your letter of November 13, 1978, to Commissioner Kennedy about the effects of antibiotics fed to livestock and poultry has been referred to me for reply.

We appreciate your views on the subject and will make your letter part of the public record on the antibiotics in feeds issue. We are currently reviewing requests for formal evidentiary hearings. Hearings will be held if there are material issues of fact in dispute. Meanwhile, the government is funding ongoing research on the transferrable resistance problem.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely yours,

Edward J. Ballitch
Acting Deputy Director
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Bureau of Veterinary Medicine

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