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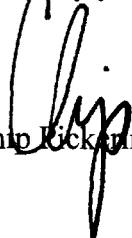
Re: Docket Number 97N-0217

I would like to express my support for a January 10, 1998 letter sent to you from the National Aquaculture Association regarding your request for comments on the proposals to increase the availability of approved animal drugs for minor species and minor uses.

The aquaculture industry, and more specifically the catfish industry, is extremely important to my home state of Mississippi. In fact, Mississippi is the nation's largest catfish producer. Therefore, I support any policy change that will promote the industry and ultimately enhance my state's economy.

If I can answer any questions regarding my support for this proposed policy, please do not hesitate to contact me. I appreciate the valuable services provided by your agency.

Sincerely yours,



Chip Pickering

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