



June 6, 2012

The Honorable Edward J. Markey
House of Representatives
2108 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-2107

Re: Food Additive Petition (FAP) 2B4791

Dear Representative Markey:

This is in reference to your petition, FAP 2B4791 (initially received on March 22, 2012 and amended on May 15, 2012), proposing an amendment of the food additive regulations in 21 CFR §175.300 (resinous and polymeric coatings) to no longer provide for the use of Bisphenol A-based epoxy resins as coatings in packaging for infant formula based on your assertion that these uses have been permanently and completely abandoned.

The petition has been filed. The date of this letter is the date of filing for FAP 2B4791. If we are not able to complete the scientific review of the petition within 90 days of the date of this letter, we will inform you by letter and extend the review for up to 90 additional days.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at vanee.komolprasert@fda.hhs.gov or by phone at (240) 402-1217.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vanee Komolprasert".

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