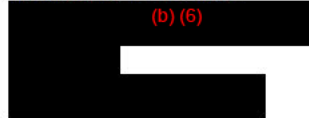




August 22, 2024

William D. Drake



Re: Docket FDA-2024-P-1030

Dear Mr. Drake:

This is a tentative response to inform you that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) does not yet have a final answer to the issues raised in your citizen petition received on February 28, 2024.

Your petition requests FDA to test for the presence of pesticide residues in Certified 1R6F Kentucky Reference Cigarettes and in each manufacturing lot of any previous Kentucky Reference Cigarettes distributed by FDA for research purposes. Additionally, if testing detects the presence of pesticide residues, you request FDA to release the findings to all recipients of Kentucky Reference Cigarettes and the public. You further request FDA to determine if the pesticide profile of a sample of tobacco products is accurately represented by the pesticide profile of Certified 1R6F Kentucky Reference Cigarettes and to report the results.

Your requests require additional review and analysis by Agency officials. FDA is currently considering the issues raised by your citizen petition and will issue a final response as soon as we have reached a decision on your requests. This tentative response is provided in accordance with FDA regulations on citizen petitions (21 CFR 10.30(e)(2)).

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "May D. Nelson".

May D. Nelson
Director, Office of Regulations
Center for Tobacco Products
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