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Re: Docket Number FDA-2020-P-1478

Dear Dr. Gaine,

This letter is in response to your citizen petition (FDA-2020-P-1478) received on June 3, 2020, in which you requested that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA, or we) take action to ensure that consumers are provided non-misleading information about the presence and potential side effects of alternative sweeteners in foods. In addition, you requested that FDA prevent misleading claims regarding added sugars content by taking enforcement action and issuing regulatory guidance.

In accordance with Title 21 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, section CFR 10.30(e)(2), this letter is to advise you that we have not been able to reach a decision on your petition within the first 180 days of its receipt because of other agency priorities and the limited availability of resources. When we complete our review of your petition, we will notify you of our decision.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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and Food Labeling  
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