



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Food and Drug Administration  
Rockville MD 20857

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January 16, 2013

Mark E. Du Val  
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Dear Mr. Du Val:

Your Citizen Petition and Petition for Stay of Action to the Food and Drug Administration on behalf of Minnesota Medical Device Alliance requesting the Commissioner to stay the implementation of "Draft Guidance for the 510(k) Program: Evaluating Substantial Equivalence in Premarket Notifications", dated December 27, 2011, was received by this office on 1/16/2013. It was assigned docket number FDA-2013-P-0076/CP1, and it was filed on 1/16/2013. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Gloria Ortega", is positioned above the typed name.

Gloria Ortega  
Administrative Proceedings Officer  
Division of Dockets Management  
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