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Mr. Michael Patterson
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Atlanta, GA 30345-4016

Re: Citizen Petition – Docket Number 2006P-0212/CP 1
Dated: May 11, 2006
Received: May 16, 2006

Dear Mr. Patterson,

This is an interim response to your petition dated May 11, 2006, which was filed by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on May 17, 2006. In your petition, you asked FDA to stop Lasik because, according to the petition, you believe that Lasik represents the use of research from experiments conducted on human subjects without a proper basis to believe it is in the patients' best interests and improper patient informed consent.

We are continuing to review the issues presented in your petition and are unable to issue a final response to you at this time. We expect to issue a final response in the near future.

If you have any questions about this interim response, please contact Scott McFarland of our Regulations Staff at (240) 276-2344.

Sincerely yours,

Linda S. Kahan
Deputy Director
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