



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Food and Drug Administration
Rockville MD 20857

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March 11, 2013

Thomas Farley, MD, MPH, et al.
Commissioner
New York City Department of Health & Mental Hygiene
42-09 28th Street
Long Island City, NY 11101

Dear Dr. Farley:

Your petition to the Food and Drug Administration on behalf of New York City Department of Health & Mental Hygiene, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, American Heart Association, American Lung Association, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, Legacy, Public Citizen and Tobacco Control Legal Consortium (collectively) requesting implementation of a track and trace system to monitor manufacturing and the flow of tobacco products from production through distribution to retail outlets, was received by this office on 03/11/2013. It was assigned docket number FDA-2013-P-0285/CP1, and it was filed on 03/11/2013. 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 cursive script, reading "Gloria Ortega", is positioned above the typed name.

Gloria Ortega
Administrative Proceedings Officer
Division of Dockets Management
FDA/Office of the Executive Secretariat (OES)