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D. Douglas Blanke, JD Director, Tobacco Control Legal Consortium William Mitchell College of Law 875 Summit Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55105

Dear Mr. Blanke:

Your petition to the Food and Drug Administration requesting the Agency to assert jurisdiction over and regulate the manufacturing, marketing, sale, and distribution of certain non-cigarette tobacco products, also known as "other tobacco products" (OTPs), was received by this office on 09/09/2013. It was assigned docket number FDA-2013-P-1127/CP1, and it was filed on 09/09/2013. 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,

Karen Kennard

Director

Division of Dockets Management

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