

November 20, 2020

Mr. Joseph R. Profaci Executive Director North American Olive Oil Association 3301 Route 66, Building C, Suite 202 Neptune, NJ 07753

Re: Docket No. FDA-2020-P-1423

Dear Mr. Profaci:

This letter is in response to your citizen petition (FDA-2020-P-1423) dated May 22, 2020, requesting the Food and Drug Administration promulgate regulations for the standards of identity for olive oil and olive-pomace oil. In accordance with Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations, section 10.30(e)(2), this letter is to advise you that we were not able to reach a decision on your petition within the first 180 days of its receipt, nor as of the date of this letter, 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. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely yours,

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