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Dear Mr. Manheim:

Your petition, on behalf of the American Dietetic Association, The Obesity Society, Shaping America's Health and GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare, requesting the Food and Drug Administration to treat weight loss claims for dietary supplements as disease claims, was received by this office on 04/17/2008. It was assigned docket number FDA-2008-P-0248-0001/CP and it was filed on 04/18/2008. 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,

Lyle B. Jaffe  
Division of Dockets Management  
Office of Management Programs  
Office of Management

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