



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville MD 20857

The Honorable John D. Dingell
Chairman
Committee on Energy and Commerce
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-6115

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of October 30, 2007, co-signed by Bart Stupak, Chairman, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, concerning the recall of canned food products by Castleberry's Food Company (Castleberry's) which began on July 18, 2007.

Your letter requests records of inspections (Establishment Inspection Reports (EIRs) and Form 483s) by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of Castleberry's Augusta, Georgia plant for the five years prior to the date of your letter.

Enclosed are documents responsive to your request. Please be advised that these documents may contain trade secret, commercial confidential or other information protected from public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (Title 5, United States Code [U.S.C.], section 552), the Trade Secrets Act (Title 18, U.S.C., section 1905) and/or FDA regulations. This information should not be published or otherwise made public. We would be glad to discuss the protected status of any specific information with you or your staff.

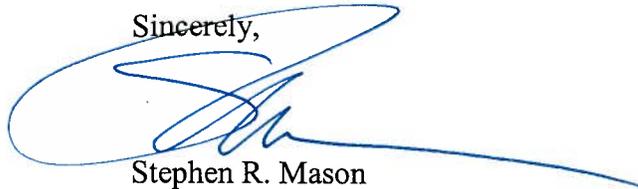
Specifically, we have enclosed EIRs and Form 483s (Inspectional Observations) for six inspections conducted at Castleberry's Augusta, Georgia plant, ending on the following dates:

- April 4, 2003;
- February 17, 2004;
- March 28, 2005;
- January 25, 2006 (state inspection);
- February 23, 2007, and;
- August 10, 2007.

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Thank you again for your interest in this matter. If you have further questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Mason", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Stephen R. Mason
Acting Assistant Commissioner
for Legislation

Enclosures