



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:

This letter is in further response to your letter of March 30, 2007, co-signed by five of your colleagues, regarding the response of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to the recent recall of contaminated pet foods.

With this letter, FDA is providing additional documents that are responsive to your request. We have re-stated the questions to which we are responding, followed by FDA's reply. Please be advised that some of the enclosed documents 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 This information should not be published or otherwise made public.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.

**2. How many complaints of acute kidney failure in cats and dogs has the FDA received since February 20, 2007? Please provide copies of all summaries, analyses, memoranda, and reports the FDA may have prepared regarding those complaints.**

Consumer complaint report summaries related to dogs are enclosed at Tab A. Consumer complaint report summaries related to cats are enclosed at Tab B.

**3. How many times has the FDA inspected Menu Foods, Inc. pet food processing facilities over the past five years? Please provide a list of all Menu Foods pet food processing facilities, including their locations, and all records of any such inspections.**

Additional documents responsive to your request are enclosed at Tab C. These include documents related to the inspections of Menu Foods establishments as listed below, and include coversheets, endorsements, summary reports, all attachments (Forms 482, 483, 484 (Receipt for Samples), affidavits, etc.), and all exhibits.

- Menu Foods Midwest Corporation, 1400 E. Logan, Emporia, Kansas.  
Inspection dates: October 2, 2006; May 25, 2007.
- Menu Foods Midwest Corporation, 7215 S. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, Kansas.  
Inspection date: April 19, 2007.
- Menu Foods Inc, 9130 Griffith Morgan Lane, Pennsauken, New Jersey.  
Inspection dates: June 6, 2002; September 30, 2003; February 3, 2004; March 9, 2005; May 9, 2006; and May 18, 2007.
- Menu Foods South Dakota Inc., 630 North Derby Lane, North Sioux City, South Dakota.  
Inspection date: July 26, 2005.
- Menu Foods Limited, 8 Falconer Drive, Streetville, Ontario, Canada.  
Inspection date: April 11, 2007.

Thank you again for your interest in this matter. A similar response has been sent to the co-signers of your letter. A copy of the enclosures has also been provided to the Ranking Member of the full Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Stephen R. Mason', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Stephen R. Mason  
Acting Assistant Commissioner  
for Legislation

Enclosures