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Mf. James Rosen, President fantastic Foods, Inc. 106 Gaill Drive Novato, CA 94348

REGULATORY LETTER

Dear Mr. Rosen:

On Fabruary 5, and 7, 1990, Investigator Lorna F. Jones from this office inspected your food manufacturing facility in Novato. This inspection was conducted as a follow-up to a complaint from a consumer concurring the statement "NO MSG ADDED" that appears on the label of your Tomato Vagetable and Curry Vagetable Instant Raman soups. Our review of the labels on these products shows tham to be in serious violation of the rederal Food, Drug and Coemetic Act as follows:

SECTION

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

403(A)(1)

The Tomato Vegetable and Curry Vegetable Instant Ramen soups are misbranded as defined in Section 201(n) of the Act, since the statement "NO MSG ADDED" is false and misleading in that the tabel falls to reveal a material fact, namely that monopodium glutamate (MSG) is added to the product in a significant amount as a natural constituent in the ingredient, hydrelyted vegetable protein (HVP).

We request that you remove the statements "NO MSG ADDED" from the label of all soups in which HVF is used. If such action is not taken, the Food and Drug Administration is prepared to invoke regulatory sanctions provided by law. These include seizure and injunction.

Please notify this office in writing within (10) days of the receipt of this letter, of the specific actions taken to correct the noted violations. Your reply should be sent to Alex J. Mc Cormick, Compilance Officer.

Sincerely yours,

Ronald M. Jenneon District Director

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