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RE: Request for Correction of Information Submitted by HHS Regarding
the Medical Use of Marijuana

Dear Mr. Elford:

Your October 4, 2004, request for correction of information disseminated by the Department of Health and Human Services regarding the medical use of marijuana is still under review. While the goal of the Food and Drug Administration is to respond within 60 days to such requests, we are unable to do so in this case. We anticipate that a response will be forwarded to you by April 1, 2005.

Thank you for your interest in the quality of information disseminated by HHS. Should you have any questions, please contact Terry Martin, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at 301-443-5591.

Sincerely,

/s/

Laurie Lenkel
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