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Washington, D.C.
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Mr. Robert G. Hibbert
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Dear Mr. Hibbert:

The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has received the petition submitted by you on behalf of SunOpta, Inc. dated June 08, 2012, The petition requests that FSIS determine that the proper nomenclature for an oat fiber ingredient is "oat fiber" when the ingredient is used as a binder in meat and poultry products.

Your request is being considered as a petition for policy change under FSIS's petition regulations (9 CFR part 392). Your petition has been referred to the FSIS Office of Policy and Program Development for review and has been assigned petition number 12-05. As provided in 9 CFR 392.6, your petition will be made available to the public in the FSIS docket room and will be posted on the FSIS Website at:
http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations_&_policies/Petitions/index.asp.

You may contact Mary Porretta, Petitions Manager, Policy Issuances Division, at (202) 720-5627 if you have any questions regarding the status of your petition.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Williams
Director
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Office of Policy and Program Development