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Jane Houlihan
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Dear Ms. Houlihan:

I am writing to you regarding your request for correction of information regarding FDA's "Advice For Wmen Who Are Pregnant, Or Who Might Become Pregnant, And Nursing Mothers, About Avoiding Harm To Your Baby Or Young Child From Mercury In Fish And Shellfish." Your December 22, 2003, request is still under review and we will not be able to meet the date of February 20, 2004 to respond. We anticipate sending you a reply by April 20, 2004.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Acheson".

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