



Appeal file: 21-0037AA

July 28, 2021

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This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) appeal, submitted to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). We received your appeal on July 28, 2021. Your appeal challenges the *Food and Drug Administration (FDA's)* response to your original request #2021-4770. Your appeal has been assigned the above-stated case number based on when it was received in this office. Please reference this number on your correspondence.

Your appeal is summarized below:
Denial of expedited processing

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B)(i) and 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B)(iii) of the FOIA and 45 CFR 5.24(f) of the HHS FOIA regulations, your appeal falls under “unusual circumstances” in that our office will need to consult with another office that has substantial interest in the determination of the appeal. The actual processing time will depend on the complexity of the issues presented in the appeal. For more information about how your appeal will be processed please refer to the HHS FOIA regulations <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/10/28/2016-25684/freedom-of-information-regulations>).

The FOIA and the HHS FOIA regulations are available at the following web addresses: <https://www.justice.gov/oip/freedom-information-act-5-usc-552> and <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/10/28/2016-25684/freedom-of-information-regulations>.

If you have any questions, please call (301)796-8975, or email us at fdafoia@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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