



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

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The Honorable Edward M. Kennedy  
Chairman  
Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing to formally transmit the Agreements on the Goals and Procedures for the reauthorization of the Animal Drug User Fee Act and new authorization for Animal Generic Drug User Fees. These documents incorporate the agreement made between the animal drug industry and FDA and contain the goals for the review of animal drug applications over the FY 2009 through FY 2013 period. These Goals and Procedures are a companion to the authorizing legislation reauthorizing the animal drug user fees and enacting new animal generic drug fees and they represent the commitment of the Administration to apply the user fees authorized by Congress towards the outlined goals and procedures.

We appreciate your leadership and considerable efforts of your Committee to make it possible to reauthorize the important animal drug user fee program and enact a corresponding user fee program for generic animal drugs.

Sincerely,

Michael O. Leavitt

Attachments