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Mr. Sholom Y. Gross
Executive Director
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P.O. Box 163
Dyker Heights Station
Brooklyn, New York 11228

Dear Mr. Gross:

Reference is made to your letter of April 19, 1977, regarding the injection of chickens and turkeys. Some hatcheries do inject day old chicks and day old turkey poults with drugs when they are sorted into boxes prior to consignment to the growers. This is done to control diseases which are transmitted through the egg or from bacterial contamination of the egg shell. The practice is more prevalent in turkey poults than in chicks.

Growing or mature chickens are seldom, if ever, injected with drugs because of the high labor costs of injecting individual chickens. There are two principal diseases of growing turkeys, which in the event of a disease outbreak, are controlled by injection of drugs. Infectious sinusitis of turkeys is controlled by injecting drug into the infraorbital sinus (located below the eye). Erysispelas occurs in growing and mature turkeys and is controlled by injecting the birds with suitable drugs into the muscles of the thigh.

Many of the diseases of poultry have been controlled by blood testing and slaughtering of infected carrier parent stock; therefore, fewer injectable drugs are necessary today than they were in the past. The types of injectable drugs that are used are antibiotics.

In answer to your specific question, most inoculations take place under the skin of the neck, but, as previously stated, some are injected in the muscles of the thigh, i.e., erysipelas, or into the sinus, i.e., infectious sinusitis.

Chickens are immunized against diseases by several methods, e.g., vaccine by drinking water, by eyedrop, by dust, by removing feathers from the leg in the case of fowl pox and applying the virus vaccine directly into the feather follicles after removing a few feathers

or by a superficial injection of the pox virus into the web of the wing. The cost of labor causes poultrymen in most cases to vaccinate their birds by some method other than by injection, although, some do inject their chickens to protect them, principally against virus respiratory diseases. All licensing of poultry vaccines sold interstate is under the control of the United States Department of Agriculture.

There certainly are non-inoculated poultry. We know, however, of no way that the poultry can be identified by some outside markings.

We would suggest that you contact your supermarket(s) to determine the source of the poultry which your group is purchasing. Once you ascertain their name and address, (usually one or more large company) you can obtain the desired information. Your respective state agricultural extension service might also be able to assist you in locating such poultry. They could also put you in contact with poultry companies which would help you with the information that you desire. Perhaps, they could set aside certain of their growers to raise poultry to meet your specifications. The poultry industry will adapt to meet significant market demands.

Sincerely,

David P. Ducharme

David P. Ducharme, D.V.M.
Acting Director, Division of
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ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250

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Dear Mr. Gross:

Your recent request for information addressed to Dr. Payne was referred to this office for response under the Freedom of Information Act. The Freedom of Information Act provides that Government records shall be made promptly available to any person requesting them unless the information requested can be considered unavailable to the public under one or more of the several exemptions stated in the Act.

Exemption 4 of the Act protects confidential, commercial information such as an individual firm's processing and production data. We consider this type of information to be exempt from mandatory disclosure under the Act and not generally available to a third party requester. Therefore, we regret that we are unable to provide you with hourly and weekly production figures for the firms you have specified.

You have the right to appeal the denial of requested records. This appeal must be made in writing within 45 days of the date of this letter and should be directed to the Acting Administrator, Food Safety and Quality Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250. The front of the envelope containing your appeal should be marked "FOIA Appeal."

Regarding your other questions on slaughter operations, we are now collecting information as to the number of ritual slaughterers engaged by each of the five plants you have listed and the number of hours per day that slaughter takes place at each of these plants. We hope to forward information concerning these items very soon.

Sincerely,

Sarah A. Templin

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Mr. Sholom Y. Gross, Manager
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Dear Mr. Gross:

In regard to your letter of March 6, 1977, please accept our apology for the delay in returning the information you requested. However, in order to assure that our response to your request was accurate, it was necessary for us to contact several of our raw materials suppliers. This process, while not difficult, required extra time; hence the delay in the response to your request.

Please find enclosed the completed forms. Ingredients which met all of the Kashrus criteria have been deleted. Only ingredients which are questionable and active ingredients have been included.

We hope this information is helpful to you. If we can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Baltezor, Ph.D.

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Enclosures

May 19, 1977

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