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Mr. E. Zykorie, Chief Pharmacist Freeda Pharmaceuticals 110 East 41st Street New York, N. Y. 10017

. Dear Mr. Zykorie:

In your letter of August 7, you requested information as to whether or not a series of named products of our manufacture contain any substance of cereal grain origin (wheat, corn, etc.). From the information supplied below, you will note that some of the dosage forms or strengths may contain corn derivatives (corn starch or corn syrup); however, additional dosage forms of the same substance are mentioned when such dosage forms are free from corn derivatives so that a choice can be made when needed.

Equanil Suspension, the 200 mg tablet and Wyseals contain corn derivatives, but the plain 400 mg Equanil Tablet and Equanil LA Capsules are free from such derivatives.

Equagesic Tablets contain corn starch.

All Phenergan Expectorants whether plain, VC and/or with Codeine contain corn syrup; Phenergan Syrups also contain corn syrup and Phenergan Tablets of all strengths contain corn starch.

No alternative Phenergan dosage form can thus be provided without corn derivatives unless the suppositories could be used.

Of the Pen-Vee products, all of the following are free from corn derivatives: Pen-Vee Drops, Pen-Vee Suspension, Pen-Vee K Liquid (125 mg strength only), and Pen-Vee K Tablets (both 125 and 250 mg).

Purodigin Tablets of all strengths contain corn starch.

All strengths of Serax Capsules are free from corn derivatives.

We trust that this information will be useful to you.

Very truly yours

J. L. Deuble

Director of Control

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