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Docket Number 99-040-1
Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS
Suite 3C03
4700 River Road
Unit 118
Riverdale, Maryland 20737-1238

Dear Representatives:

RE: Docket Number 99-040-1, Viruses, Serums, Toxins and Analogous Products;
Definition of Dog

As a concerned citizen, I urge you to consider with great depth and to approve the use of canine rabies vaccine for all canines and canine mixes (including domestic dogs, wolves, wolfdogs of any wolf percentage, and coyotes and coydogs of any coyote or wolf percentage). The use of this vaccine will assist in the protection of all canines through vaccination, and will assist in the protection of other species, including man, from potential rabies infection.

Wolves that are currently in the United States Fish and Wildlife Service breeding programs are currently receiving this vaccine prior to release. To date, there have been no known fatalities due to rabies infection or fatal reactions to the vaccine in these programs.

Again, I urge you to approve the use of canine rabies vaccine for all canines.

Sincerely,



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