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Dear Mr. Boyle:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 4, 2005, requesting our review of the Model No. F-458/F-245, F-458/F-247, F-458/F-251, F-458/F-251 MK2, F-458/F-318, and F-458/F-448 packages, authorized by Canadian Certificate of Approval No. CDN/2078/B(U)-96.

The application appears to contain the necessary information to begin our technical review. We have established a schedule for the technical review of your request. The schedule allows for the staff to issue a possible request for additional information (RAI) in July 2005. If no RAI is needed, our recommendation and Safety Evaluation Report may be issued at approximately that time. In general, no changes or supplements to this application should be submitted, except in response to an RAI.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (301) 415-8500.

Sincerely,

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