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Dear Ms. Williams:

RE: **Gardex**

This is in response to your e-mail of January 21, 2016, wherein you provided additional information on the subject product for use as a lubricant that stops hot melt adhesive from sticking to machine parts in food processing establishments, and e-mail of March 18, 2016, requesting the status of the product.

Based on the information submitted, we can advise that we see no reason to object to the composition and use of the subject product in food processing establishments, provided that:

- a) it is used on equipment or machine parts where contact of the lubricant with food is only **incidental**;
- b) it is used in the minimum amount required to achieve its intended technical effect;
- c) prior to application of the product in food handling areas, all food as well as any food contact surfaces, should either be removed from the vicinity or otherwise protected; and
- d) should the product be used as an anti-rust film on the equipment, it must be effectively washed from the surfaces prior to re-use of the equipment to remove any substance, which could be transferred to food being processed.

Regarding the submitted label, we recommend the following information to be added to the label of the product:

- A listing of the major ingredients under "Contains" or "Ingredients".
- A cautionary statement such as "Avoid contamination of food during application and storage".
- A food plant use statement such as "For Food Plants and Other Industrial Use Only".

We trust that the foregoing will be of use to you.

Yours truly,

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