



Office of the Secretary

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

September 21, 2005

Ms. B. Sachau

Re: *In the Matter of Novartis AG, File No. 051 0106*

Dear Ms. Sachau:

Thank you for your email message commenting on the proposed consent order accepted by the Federal Trade Commission for public comment in the above-captioned matter. In your message, you state that you agree that the part of the consent order to which you refer makes a lot of sense.

The Commission has reviewed your comment in connection with its decision concerning whether to accord final approval to the proposed consent order, and also has placed your comment on the public record. After considering your comment, the Commission has determined that the public interest would be served best by issuing the Decision and Order in final form without modification.

It helps the Commission's analysis to hear from a variety of sources in its work, and we appreciate your interest in this matter. A copy of the final Decision and Order is enclosed for your information. Relevant materials also are available from the Commission's website at www.ftc.gov.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark
Secretary