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Dear Lynn,

Several days ago I received a letter from Wilford K. Lieber, President of the International Down and Feather Testing Laboratory. Wilford stated that he had sent you a letter requesting an amendment to the California Plumage Regulations, Article 5, Section 1193 (b).

Section 1193 (b) pertains to "Down and Feather Blended Products". Under paragraph (3) "Remainder of Components" Wilford is proposing that the maximum Chopped, Damaged & Crushed Feathers be changed from 2% to 7% and the maximum Landfowl Feathers be changed from 2% to 5%. His proposed change is also consistent with section (3), "Waterfowl Feather Products" which states: Chopped, Damaged & Crushed Feathers, Maximum.. 7% and Landfowl Feathers, Maximum..5%.

When the new Feather & Down Standards were written and approved by ABFLO in 2000, California adopted these standards into law. Under the original standards "Down & Feather Blended Products had a maximum of 7% for Chopped, Damaged & Crushed Feathers and a 5% maximum for Landfowl Feathers. Therefore, IABFLO would support the proposal from Mr. Lieber.

In several conversations with Mr. John McCormack it was mentioned that there could have been a misprint when the California law was first adopted. If I can be of any further assistance in this matter please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

**William A. Cale
President IABFLO**

cc: Wilford K. Lieber