

gated in the Federal Register dated September 6, 1973. Again, this effort failed to elicit the kind of information we seek. Then you say "See correspondence appended as exhibits F and G."

I have not looked at that correspondence.

Are you saying that your request, that their answer was unresponsive to your request?

Dr. FELDMANN. Yes, I am, Mr. Chairman. This was one of a number of requests we have made. We have made other requests we have asked the DPSC people, following their statements that there is so much percent of manufacturers that are deficient and so much percent of products, if they would provide us with such information. And on this, nothing was forthcoming to us.

We used this route that I mentioned—as provided for in the Federal Register—to ask for a list of such manufacturers, and their response was, "we have no list."

I am gratified that you have been more successful than we have been. It has been as difficult as pulling teeth to get an answer out of these people, or to pull something out of them.

Senator NELSON. They said to you they had no such list?

Dr. APPLE. Oh, yes.

Senator NELSON. That is hard to believe that they developed some statistics on rejection, but they do not keep any track of who the manufacturers were.

Dr. FELDMANN. They told us that, "please be advised that such lists are not developed or maintained by the DPSC or the Defense Supply Agency; thus we cannot respond to your request for such information."

This is in Colonel Kimerer's letter to me dated October 18, 1973, which is exhibit G, the first paragraph of that letter.

Mr. ADAMS. Dr. Feldmann, I just want to clear up a couple of points, if I may. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

In your response to one of the Chairman's questions you read from some DPSC or DOD bid specification sheets?

Dr. FELDMANN. Yes, sir.

Mr. ADAMS. These specifications were circulated, and perhaps continue to be circulated, supposedly requesting competitive bids?

Dr. FELDMANN. I would assume that that is the purpose of them, yes, sir.

Mr. ADAMS. Am I to understand, further, that these sample specifications in at least one instance, contain the name of a particular drug manufacturer, and in another case the brand name of a particular drug, followed by an amendment to the bid specification, replacing the brand name with the generic, non-proprietary name?

Dr. FELDMANN. Yes, sir, that is correct on both counts.

Mr. ADAMS. As to the drug list supplied by DPSC, which you previously commented on, I understand that list contains at least a portion of DPSC's list of drugs for which they have additional specifications. Do you recall listing the additional specifications from the list of drugs the Committee supplied to you, which the Committee received from DPSC?