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we have analyzed thousands of drug samples in both certification and surveillance programs, and have inspected 97 percent of those manufacturers of human prescription legend drugs who are responsible for about 95 percent of the marketed drugs. We believe that the impact of our quality assurance programs on the drug industry has made that industry one of the most quality-control conscious industries in the country. This has resulted in a drug supply for this Nation that is of the highest quality in the world.

We plan to take any necessary measures to further strengthen our quality assurance program in the months ahead. We know we will find problems in the future and this is to be expected. When they are found, we will correct them, and thereby take one more step toward the goal of a consistently and uniformly high quality drug supply.

We will be pleased to respond to any questions you or your Subcommittee may have.