

COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY 12137

2. Inspection and Quality Control

(a) Is inspection and/or testing accomplished for (a) drugs, (b) other medical items, and (c) nonperishable subsistence? If this is accomplished by another Federal or commercial activity, specify the activity and indicate the type of items tested and inspected.

(b) How much do you rely on Food and Drug Administration for drug and other medical items inspection? How much do you rely on the Department of Agriculture for nonperishable subsistence inspection?

3. Item Identification and Standardization

(a) What are your responsibilities in regard to obtaining Federal Stock Numbers for items you purchase and supply? Are all items repetitively procured assigned FSN's? At what point in the life of an item is a FSN assigned?

(b) What are your responsibilities in regard to developing or participating in the development of specifications? Did you develop and publish any specifications during the period subsequent to Jan. 1, 1971? If so, what was the title of each for (a) drugs, (b) other medical items, and (c) nonperishable subsistence? What background data was used in the development, i.e. manufacturers specifications, test results, etc.?