UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Commissioners: Timothy J. Muris, Chairman

Sheila F. Anthony

Mozelle W. Thompson

Orson Swindle

- 1. Respondent Interstate Bakeries Corporation is a Delaware corporation with its principal office or place of business at 12 East Armour Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri, 64111.
- 2. The Federal Trade Commission has jurisdiction of the subject matter of this proceeding and of the respondent, and the proceeding is in the public interest.

ORDER

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent, directly or through any corporation, subsidiary, division, or other device, in connection with the labeling, advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any bread, bread product, rolls, or muffins, in or affecting commerce, shall not make any representation, in any manner, expressly or by implication, that such product or any of its ingredients, helps brain function or memory, or can treat, cure or prevent any disease or related health condition, unless, at the time the representation is made, respondent possesses and relies upon competent and reliable scientific evidence that substantiates the representation;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that a mere statement that the product contains a particular vitamin or mineral shall not, without more, be considered for purposes of this order a representation that the product can treat, cure or prevent any disease or related health condition.

III.

Nothing in this order shall prohibit respondent from making any representation for any product that is specifically permitted in labeling for such product by regulations promulgated by the Food and Drug Administration pursuant to the Nutrition Labeling and Education Act of 1990, and any such representation shall not be covered by this order.

IV.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this order shall not apply to any label or labeling printed prior to the date of service of this order and shipped by respondent's bakeries to distributors or retailers prior to January 16,2003.

V.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent Interstate Bakeries Corporation, and its successors and assigns, shall, for five (5) years after the last date of dissemination of any representation covered by this order, maintain and upon request make available to the Federal Trade Commission for inspection and copying:

- A. All advertisements and promotional materials containing the representation including videotape recordings of all such broadcast advertisements;
- B. All materials that were relied upon in disseminating the representation; and
- C. All tests, reports, studies, surveys, demonstrations, or other evidence in their possession or control that contradict, qualify, or call into question the representation, or the basis

relied upon for the representation, including complaints and other communications with consumers or with governmental or consumer protection organizations.

VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent Interstate Bakeries Corporation, and its

consent decree) in federal court alleging any violation of the order, whichever comes later; <u>provided</u>, however, that the filing of such a complaint will not affect the duration of:

- A. Any Part in this order that terminates in less than twenty (20) years;
- B. This order's application to any respondent that is not named as a defendant in such complaint; and
- C. This order if such complaint is filed after the order has terminated pursuant to this Part.

<u>Provided, further</u>, that if such complaint is dismissed or a federal court rules that the respondent did not violate any provision of the order, and the dismissal or ruling is either not appealed or upheld on appeal, then the order will terminate according to this Part as though the complaint had never been filed, except that the order will not terminate between the date such complaint is filed and the later of the deadline for appealing such dismissal or ruling and the date such dismissal or ruling is upheld on appeal.

By the Commission, Commissioner Anthony recused.

Donald S. Clark Secretary

SEAL:

ISSUED: April 16, 2002