



August 1, 2017

Subject: Aflatoxin Free Statement

To whom it may concern,

Aflatoxins are naturally occurring mycotoxins that are produced by *Aspergillus flavus* and *Aspergillus parasiticus*, species of fungi. The name, aflatoxin, was created around 1960 after the discovery that the source of "Turkey 'X' disease" was *Aspergillus flavus* toxins. Aflatoxins are toxic and among the most carcinogenic substances known. These toxins typically develop during harvest, storage, and/or transit of cereal grains, legumes and tree nuts.

Detrex Hydrochloric Acid products are manufactured using the HCl direct synthesis process. In this manufacturing process Detrex only uses high purity Hydrogen and Chlorine, and water, which we purify on-site, to produce Hydrochloric Acid. The HCl product from our process is chemically pure, with very few trace contaminants. Cereal grains, legumes, and tree nuts, or their byproducts, are not used in the production of HCl, nor are they added during production, storage, or packaging. All of our products are processed, stored, and packaged in a closed system. To the best of Detrex's knowledge our products are Aflatoxin free.

Sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read "Jim Vence", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Jim Vence
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