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Robert W. Pollock Lachman Consultant Services, Inc. 1600 Stewart Avenue Westbury, NY 11590

Re: Docket No. 2006P-0052/CP1

Dear Mr. Pollock:

I am writing to inform you that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has not yet resolved the issues raised in your citizen petition received January 25, 2006. Your petition requests that FDA determine whether Sustiva (efavirenz) 300-Milligram Tablets (NDA 21-360) were withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness.

FDA has been unable to reach a decision on your petition because of the need to address other Agency priorities. This interim response is provided in accordance with FDA regulations on citizen petitions (21 CFR 10.30(e)(2)). We will respond to your petition as soon as possible given the numerous demands on the Agency's resources.

Sincerely,

Jane A. Axelrad

Associate Director for Policy

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