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Dear Messrs. von Oehsen and Slafsky:

Thank you for your letters dated March 23 and April 12 and your memorandum of May 24.

The Office of Drug Pricing has initiated a Strategic Planning process for the Section 340B program. Issues addressed in your correspondence may have broader implications and therefore should be addressed in this initiative. As we discussed on our conference call yesterday, you will be invited to participate with our office in this planning process.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Mitchell
Director
Office of Drug Pricing