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<u> CONTROL #129446</u>

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RE:

As requested, please see the attached letter regarding our DFP.

If you require any additional information, please contact me at (732) 519-2987.

Regards,

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Michael J. Vala, CHP Radiation Safety Officer E.R. Squibb & Sons

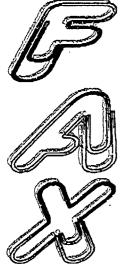
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Ms. Pam Henderson U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region I 475 Allendale Road King of Prussia, PA 19406

RE: CONTROL #129446, LICENSE #29-00139-02

Dear Ms. Henderson,

As discussed in your recent inspection of our facility, it is anticipated that manufacturing operations will terminate within the next two (2) months. As a result, we request that the commission's request for an updated Decommissioning Funding Plan (DFP) be postponed until the decommissioning of our manufacturing facility is completed. Decommissioning of Building 124 and associated facilities is expected to require eighteen (18) months. We therefore are seeking an extension for updating of our DFP until March 1, 2003, or ninety (90) days after manufacturing decommissioning is complete.

We will notify the commission under a separate letter when manufacturing terminates. If you require any additional information, please contact me at 732-519-2987.

Sincerely,

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Michael J. Vala, CHP Radiation Safety Officer

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