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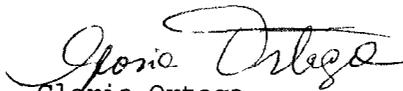
Stacy L. Ehrlich
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Dear Ms. Ehrlich:

Your petition on behalf of Aventis Behring LLC, requesting the Food and Drug Administration to refrain from granting effective approval of Alphanate for the treatment of vWD until the expiration of orphan drug exclusivity for Humante-P on March 31, 2006, was received by this office on 10/02/02. It was assigned docket number 02P-0435/CP 1 and it was filed on 10/02/02. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,


Gloria Ortega
Dockets Management Branch

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