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RE: Docket No. 01P-0120; Medical Devices; Needle-Bearing Devices; Request for Comments and Information.

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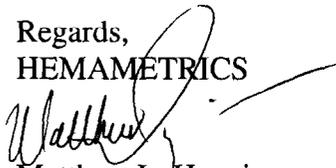
To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of HemaMetrics, a NAPPSI Member. The purpose of this letter is to confirm that HemaMetrics supports NAPPSI's current initiative regarding additional steps to prevent needlestick injuries to healthcare workers. To this end, I respectfully request that the FDA implement the following three steps:

1. Publish NAPPSI's Notification to Clinicians on Sharps Injuries.
2. Disseminate information about NAPPSI's Safety Device List. This compilation lists the needlestick-safety technology of NAPPSI members and other companies, dividing them into "primary prevention" and "secondary prevention" categories. All needlestick-safety devices are included and displayed in a matter most helpful to safety-conscious clinicians.
3. Involve NAPPSI in discussions aimed at creating a voluntary consensus standard for devices listed in the HRG/SEIU petition, such as IV catheters and infusion equipment that do not have safety features.

I appreciate you taking time to read this letter and hope you will consider the above request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,
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