

February 7, 2011

Important Notice: **VETSULIN® Critical-Need Program Ending**

Dear Doctor:

You are receiving this letter because our records indicate you have one or more clients participating in the VETSULIN® Critical-Need Program (CNP). As you know, we alerted you in late 2009 that the product had not met its stability specifications and may have varying amounts of crystalline zinc insulin in the formulation.

We must advise you that because of a manufacturing issue unrelated to the stability issue referred to above, Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health is discontinuing the VETSULIN® CNP as of February 7, 2011. Quality tests showed that the sterility of the most recent batch of VETSULIN® manufactured for the CNP may be compromised by bacterial contamination. This batch of VETSULIN® has not been released and additional batches are not being manufactured at this time. We, therefore, cannot supply the program and it must be discontinued.

While we are still investigating the quality issue, we are aware of no evidence that the VETSULIN® currently on the market and being used under the CNP is affected. No adverse events consistent with potential bacterial contamination in cats and dogs receiving VETSULIN® have been reported under the current program.

We will continue to provide VETSULIN® for the CNP until our current supply in the U.S. is exhausted – we anticipate being able to fulfill orders through February 2011.

We sincerely regret any difficulties this causes and strongly recommend that you make preparations to convert your VETSULIN® CNP patients to an alternative insulin product as soon as possible.

We will provide an educational webinar that will give step-by-step instructions to help you transition your patients. Information on how to participate in this webinar will be sent to you shortly. The webinar will thereafter be posted on the VETSULIN® web site, www.vetsulin.com, under the "Important Product Alert" section.

A letter to your clients advising them of this situation is being mailed the week of February 7, 2011. A copy is enclosed for your reference.

We sincerely apologize for the need to discontinue the VETSULIN® CNP, but wanted to provide you with as much notice as possible. As always, Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health is concerned for the well-being and health of animals of all species and the people who care for them.

Sincerely,



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