

November 30, 2009

Re: Vetsulin® Alert and Importance of Diabetic Pet Transition

Dear Doctor:

This letter is a follow-up to the Vetsulin Product Alert letter issued on November 6, 2009. In that Product Alert, we informed you that Intervet/Schering Plough Animal Health had determined that serials of Vetsulin porcine insulin zinc suspension have stability test results that are above specification on an indicator of the amount of crystalline insulin in the formulation. Our original letter, the Frequently Asked Questions and other information can be referenced on our website at www.vetsulin.com.

The purpose of this letter is to emphasize the need to begin transitioning dogs and cats from Vetsulin to other insulin products as soon as possible since we can not accurately predict when this situation will be resolved. We believe it is especially prudent to focus on transitioning your feline patients as soon as possible given the recent FDA approval of a new, long-acting protamine zinc insulin for cats. Going forward, we will have very limited supplies of Vetsulin and will have to employ tight product allocations. It is likely there will not be sufficient product available to meet the needs of the market as soon as early 2010. We strongly encourage you to take action to inform and meet with your clients to set-up an orderly conversion to other insulin products for all your canine and feline diabetic patients.

To assist you with planning the transition of diabetic pets, enclosed is an AAHA letter with some basic guidance from several expert members of the AAHA Diabetes Guidelines Task Force. We would also refer you to a recent AAHA webcast where experts address insulin transitioning and answer some common questions practitioners face when considering alternate insulin choices for their patients. You can link to this webcast on the AAHA website at www.aahanet.org/insulin. It is open to all veterinarians.

In addition, we are enclosing a Vetsulin Product Alert Update that provides further background on the situation. For other technical questions on Vetsulin, please contact our Technical Services Department at 1-800-224-5318.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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