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Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections
770 West Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43222

To Whom It May Concern:

Our company is aware that three prescription drugs - Pentothal[®], (thiopental sodium for injection, USP), Pancuronium Bromide Injection and Potassium Chloride for Injection, USP –have been used by some correctional facilities in the United States to administer the lethal injection in capital punishment cases.

As a manufacturer of all three agents, I am writing to inform you about Hospira's position on this matter. Hospira provides these products because they improve or save lives and markets them solely for use as indicated on the product labeling. As such, we do not support the use of any of our products in capital punishment procedures.

We realize your correctional facility is able to acquire most products through a variety of sources without ordering directly from Hospira. Nonetheless, we felt it was important to communicate our position to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kees Groenhout".

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