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Florida Department of Corrections
2601 Blair Stone Road
Tallahassee, FL 32399-2500

To Whom It May Concern:

Hospira makes its products to enhance and save the lives of the patients we serve, and, therefore, we have always publicly objected to the use of any of our products in capital punishment.

Hospira had been made aware that some states were updating their lethal injection protocols to use products we market in the U.S., specifically pancuronium bromide, potassium chloride and propofol. At that time, we reiterated that we do not support the use of any of our products in capital punishment procedures and advised you that Hospira had implemented a restricted distribution system to help prevent the sale of these products to your facility. More recently, we have learned that states are also considering adding midazolam, hydromorphone, rocuronium bromide and vecuronium bromide to their lethal injection protocols.

To deter your ability to obtain and use these additional products in lethal injection, I'm writing to notify you that we will be updating our restricted distribution agreements with our authorized distributors to prevent the sales of these products to your facility as well.

Hospira provides all of our products because they improve or save lives, and we market them solely for use as indicated on the product labeling. We appreciate and expect that you will respect our position.

Yours sincerely,


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