## Verne, B. Michael

From:

**Sent:** Friday, February 20, 2004 12:35 PM

To:

Verne, B. Michael

Subject: FW: Contingent Consideration

Per my voice mail message, I sent the following message to Patrick Sharpe yesterday and left him a voice mail message this morning. Since he is usually very prompt in responding to my inquiries, I thought he may be out of the office. Accordingly, I would appreciate it if you could consider the question raised and let me know your thoughts. Thank you for your time.

> ----Original Message-----

> From:

> Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2004, 11:45 AM

> To: 'psharpe@ftc.gov'

> Subject: Contingent Consideration

> Patrick,

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> A portion of the consideration to be paid for the acquisition of certain

> assets (primarily intangibles such as patent and trademark rights

> associated with pharmaceutical products) includes payments contingent upon

> the achievement of sales objectives with respect to sales both in the US

> and in the European Union. May the contingent payments with respect to

> non-US sales be excluded for purposes of determining the size of the

> transaction? We would value the contingent payments related to US sales

> and include that value in the acquisition price in accordance with ABA

> Manual Interpretation #116. Thank you for your response.



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