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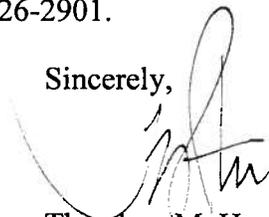
The Honorable John D. Dingell, Chairman
Committee on Energy and Commerce
The Honorable Bart Stupak, Chairman
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations
2125 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Dingell and Chairman Stupak:

Baxter International Inc. ("Baxter") has asked me to advise you that the information contained in tabs E, F, and I of the letter being transmitted herewith may contain confidential information that could be subject to a confidentiality agreement with Scientific Protein Laboratories, LLC ("SPL"). SPL has requested that the Committee treat these attachments as confidential. SPL believes these materials contain confidential and/or commercially valuable and proprietary business information and trade secrets. SPL requests that the Committee keep this material confidential and limit access to Members and staff involved in this inquiry. SPL also requests return of these attachments when the Committee has completed its review. These attachments can be returned to counsel for SPL, Mr. Daniel Kracov, Arnold & Porter, 555 Twelfth Street, NW, Washington D.C. 20004.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 626-2901.

Sincerely,

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