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Representative Henry Waxman, Ranking Member
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Re: HR 3204, the Drug Quality and Security Act

Dear Chairman Upton and Ranking Member Waxman:

I am writing on behalf of Cardinal Health to commend the continued bi-partisan, bi-cameral progress on HR 3204, the Drug Quality and Security Act, which includes provisions to establish a single, uniform and national pharmaceutical distribution supply chain law. Cardinal Health urges the swift consideration of HR 3204 so that it can be signed by President Obama.

Each and every day, Cardinal Health safely and efficiently delivers products and services to over 100,000 pharmacies, hospitals, nursing homes, physician offices and clinics across the country. An industry leader in the delivery of products and services supporting the healthcare industry, Cardinal Health is uniquely positioned to offer perspective on supply chain security and patient safety. We support the safe, reliable, and efficient distribution of the nation's healthcare products supply, and we share the objective of HR 3204 in enacting a single, uniform and national pharmaceutical distribution supply chain law.

Thank you for your tireless work on this legislation, which will better protect American consumers from the risk of counterfeit and adulterated medicines by implementing a single, uniform and national pharmaceutical supply chain system.

We are pleased to support the legislation and we urge prompt passage of the legislation by the full House and Senate so it can be enacted as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Barrett".

George S. Barrett
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer