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Dear Dr. Merchant,

We have just received a copy of your letter to Senator Anderson. On behalf of Teva Pharmaceuticals, I want to assure you that we understand your concerns and we are working around the clock to bring our injectable business back online. This facility has been on a production hold since April of 2010 while we have been working to make improvements to our facility and our processes and procedures. We anticipate beginning production at this facility in March and we are prioritizing our Cytotoxic products in the manufacturing schedule.

While we continue to work closely with the FDA to address and alleviate some of the drug shortage issues which have occurred, we are clearly not satisfied with the current situation in the market and with patients. Teva is working closely with distributors, hospitals, and clinics to control the distribution of on-hand product to best assure it is available where it is most needed.

Teva's mission is to provide access to quality healthcare, and this drug shortage is of great concern to us. Please know that we are doing everything we can to begin production at our injectable facility, while also working to try to improve access to these drugs during this time of need.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey D. Herzfeld". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

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