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From:**Sent:** Thursday, April 11, 2002 11:17 PM**To:** perezt@cder.fda.gov**Subject:** Lotronex

Mr. Perez,

I am writing to you a brief letter regarding Lotronex. I am one of the unfortunate ones that can't make the Advisory Meeting. Therefore, I want you to know how Lotronex changed my life, as well as other with IBS-D. I was diagnosed when I was 21 (now 37). After going through many tests that was the diagnoses. As you probably already know how limited life is with this disorder. I have 3 children that are very involved in extra curricular activities which I miss the majority of the time due to IBS. My marriage suffers because of IBS. I cannot blame my husband but I can blame IBS atleast until Lotronex came along. It changed my life for the time I was on it. A small adjustment in the dosage and I was able to do anything, anywhere and at anytime. It is truly a mircle drug. I cried for weeks after the withdrawl and with such a short supply of Lotronex left I felt like my life was taken away from me. Which it was!!

So many people suffer and so many do not understand what we go through day after day. Trying to live a normal life is just not possible. Please help to bring Lotronex back. We (the IBS Group) have been working so hard, sticking together get Lotronex so we can live normal lives.

There is no other drug which has saved not damaged numerous lives while it was available. Without this drug, there is NO life to be had, at least not in any kind of normalcy, but life with great pain, shame and embarrassment.

Please bring Lotronex back!!

Thank you,
Tami Emerson