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IDEC Pharmaceuticals Corporation
Attention: Linda Robertson, Ph.D.
Director, Regulatory Affairs
3030 Callan Road
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Dear Dr. Robertson:

Your request to supplement your biologics license application for Rituximab to revise the Adverse Reactions section of the package insert has been approved.

Please submit all final printed labeling at the time of use and include implementation information on FDA Form 356h. Please provide a PDF-format electronic copy as well as original paper copies (ten for circulars and five for other labels).

The regulatory responsibility for review and continuing oversight for this product transferred from the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research to the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research effective June 30, 2003. For further information about the transfer, please see <http://www.fda.gov/cber/transfer/transfer.htm> and <http://www.fda.gov/OHRMS/DOCKETS/98fr/03-16242.html>. Until further notice, however, all correspondence, except as provided elsewhere in this letter, should continue to be addressed to:

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Attn: Office of Therapeutics Research and Review
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This information will be included in your biologics license application file.

Sincerely,

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