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Dear [Insert Patient's Name]

Re: Important Safety Information About Exubera® (insulin human [rDNA origin]) Inhalation Powder

Based on an ongoing review of the Exubera clinical data and post-marketing reports by Pfizer and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Pfizer has updated the Exubera prescribing information and Medication Guide to highlight safety information you should know and should discuss with your doctor.

What do you need to know?

You should be aware that in studies of Exubera in people with diabetes, lung cancer occurred in a few more people who were taking Exubera than in people who were taking other diabetes medicines. All the people in these studies who developed lung cancer used to smoke cigarettes. There were too few cases to know if the lung cancer was related to Exubera.

What else should you know about diabetes and Exubera?

Do not stop taking Exubera without first discussing this with your doctor. Exubera is a safe and effective medicine.

As with all forms of insulin, a possible side effect of EXUBERA is low blood sugar (hypoglycemia), which can be mild to severe. It is important to check your blood sugar as your health care provider has advised you. Other common side effects are cough, dry mouth and chest discomfort.

This information does not take the place of talking with your doctor about your condition or treatment. Please speak with your doctor about any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

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Encl: Updated Prescribing Information and Medication Guide

EXUBERA is a prescription medicine that you breathe in through your mouth using the EXUBERA® Inhaler. It is a short-acting insulin that helps to control high blood sugar in adults with diabetes. If you have Type 1 diabetes, you will have to take longer-acting insulin in addition to EXUBERA. If you have Type 2 diabetes, you may use EXUBERA by itself, or with diabetes pills. Some patients with Type 2 diabetes will need to take some longer-acting insulin in addition to EXUBERA.

Other Important Safety Information

EXUBERA may lower your lung function, so you will need to take a breathing test before you start treatment and, from time to time, as you keep taking EXUBERA.

You should not take EXUBERA if you have an unstable or poorly controlled lung disease (such as unstable or poorly controlled asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease) or if you smoke, start smoking, or quit smoking less than 6 months ago. You should not take EXUBERA if you are under 18 years of age or if you are allergic to insulin or any of the inactive ingredients in EXUBERA.

Tell your health care provider about all your health and medical conditions, including if you have any lung disease or breathing problems, if you are pregnant, or plan to become pregnant.

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For more information about EXUBERA , please see the Medication Guide and the Full Prescribing Information.