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Food and Drug Administration Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305) Department of Health and Human Services Room 1-46 12420 Parklawn Drive Rockville, MD 20857 Attn: Jennie Butler

RE: Docket Number 00P-1617/CP 1

Dear Ms. Butler:

Ventro Corporation has decided that its Chemdex Corporation division and its Promedix Corporation division will shut down all operations effective March 31, 2001. In light of this fact, it is inappropriate for Ventro Corporation to pursue the above referenced Citizen's Petition on behalf of these two internet marketplaces. We are requesting that the Citizen's Petition be withdrawn from further consideration by the Food and Drug Administration.

Our apologies for any inconveniences this decision has caused on your operations.

Best Regards,

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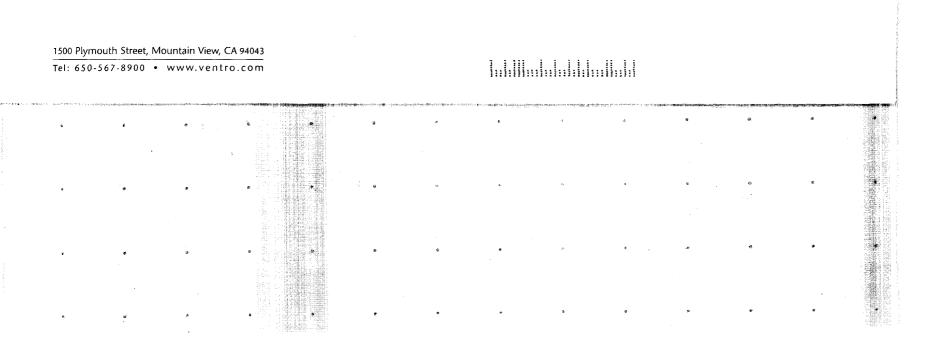
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