DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville MD 20857

NDA 50-588/S-030

AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals LP
Attention: Nicholas J. Troise
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Dear Mr. Troise:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated January 28, 2004, received January 30, 2004, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Cefotan® (cefotetan) Injection. We note that this application is subject to the exemption provisions contained in section 125(d)(2) of Title I of the FDA Modernization Act of 1997.

This supplemental application, submitted as "Supplement - Changes Being Effected in 0 days," proposes the following changes to add the wording to be in compliance with the "Labeling Requirements for Systemic Antibacterial Drug Products Intended for Human Use" Final Rule, as published in the Federal Register, Vol. 68, No. 25, February 6, 2003.

We have completed our review of this application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the final printed labeling (FPL) submitted on January 30, 2004.

If a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter) is issued to physicians and others responsible for patient care, we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2
FDA
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, call LT Raquel Peat, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (301) 827-2125.

Sincerely,

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