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Dear John:

As an update to my letter of May 3, 1988, I am writing to report certain changes in the facts that you and I discussed concerning the participants in the

None of these changes affects HSR analysis, but I wanted

In addition to the four Sponsors reported to you in my previous letter

Iso will participate as initial Sponsors in As we previously discussed, each Sponsor is committed to contribute \$13.5 million. The not-for-profit research and development function of the joint venture has not changed.

Accordingly, both \$802.20 and \$802.40 continue to provide separate exemptions from HSR filing.

Announcement of the joint venture has been delayed to allow the participation of these additional Sponsors. We now expect final formation and announcement during the week of May 16, 1988.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Again I thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

