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Aventis Pharma Limited

3rd November 2011

Manager, Listing
The National Stock Exchange of India Limited
Exchange Plaza, 5th Floor
Plot No. C/1, G Block
Bandra-Kurla Complex
Bandra East
Mumbai 400 051

Dear Sir,

Re: Acquisition of Nutraceutical business of Universal Medicare Private Limited

We refer to the Press Release sent with our letter dated 24th August 2011 wherein we had stated that the Company had entered into a definitive agreement with Universal Medicare Private Limited to acquire its business of marketing and distribution of branded nutraceutical formulations in India.

The transaction was then expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2011, subject to certain conditions precedent.

We have now to inform you that the transaction was closed on 3rd November 2011 on fulfillment of all the conditions precedent.

On closing, the Company has paid a sum of Rs. 5671 million as the lump sum consideration for the purchase of the said business as a going concern.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
AVENTIS PHARMA LIMITED

SHAILESH AYYANGAR
MANAGING DIRECTOR