

30th December, 2016

The National Stock Exchange of India Ltd
Exchange Plaza, Bandra Kurla Complex
Mumbai - 400 051

Bombay Stock Exchange Limited
1st floor, Rotunda Building, Dalal Street
Fort, Mumbai - 400 001

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: - Demand Notice from NPPA (National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority)

Pursuant to Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 this is to inform you that the Company has received a demand notice from National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) demanding a sum of Rs. 11.68 crores plus interest Rs. 15.78 crores alleging overcharging of price of the formulation, Polybion L 100 ML syrup, during the period from January 2006 to June 2009. The government has issued the demand notice despite the fact that the Company was neither a manufacturer nor a marketer of the subject drug. The Company will challenge the said orders and will defend itself vigorously. The Company has been legally advised it has a good defendable case on merits.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For **Merck Limited**



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