DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 20-563/S-016

Eli Lilly and Company
Attention: Gregory G. Enas, Ph.D.
Director, U.S. Regulatory Affairs
Lilly Corporate Center
Indianapolis, IN 46285

Dear Dr. Enas:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated December 18, 1998, received December 21, 1998, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Humalog® (insulin lispro [rDNA origin] injection).

This "Changes Being Effected" supplemental new drug application provides for new insulin vial label bearing a bar code which makes an audible announcement when used with a device manufactured by Roche Diagnostics Corporation. The barcode is to aid sight-impaired patients with diabetes in identifying their insulin.

We completed our review of this supplemental new drug application. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the final printed labeling (FPL) for immediate container submitted on December 18, 1998.

If you issue a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter), 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 Julie Rhee, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 827-6424.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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Enclosure: Vial label

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