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Via Hand Delivery
Ms. Sandy Thomas
Centerpulse/Sulzer Medica USA
12 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1000
Houston, Texas 770046-1203

Re: Sulzer Inter-Op Hip/Knee Recall

Dear Sandy:

It was a pleasure speaking with you yesterday. As we discussed, I have a small number of clients who have been excluded from the national settlement but who I believe have legitimate claims for compensation from Centerpulse/Sulzer. I have been involved in this litigation in representing approximately 160 individuals who are part of the national settlement and also as one of the principle negotiators of the national settlement. I would like to resolve these remaining cases without the necessity of pursuing further litigation against Centerpulse/Sulzer.

Attached you will find extensive medical records and the sticker pages for the following list of individuals. Next to each of their names is the amount for which I am willing to recommend that they resolve their claim. Note that it is the same amount they would have recovered under the settlement. Of course, I am willing to enter into a confidentiality agreement and will obtain releases from these clients if we can resolve this matter without the need for further litigation.

Claimant	Lot No.	Type of Surgery	Amount	EIF
Pauline Carpen	1358588	Unrevised	$1,000.00	$36,000.00
Joel Barrera	1326380	Unrevised	$1,000.00	None
Vincent Cassone	1291775	Unrevised	$1,000.00	None
Loyd Christensen	1295154	Unrevised	$1,000.00	None
Carol DeVries	1422286	Revised	$206,000.00	$36,000
Kathy DeBoer (for Shroer, Dec'd)	1302538	Unrevised	$1,000.00	$72,000.00
Lydia Mueller	1319539	Unrevised	$1,000.00	None
Verma Reed	1368501 (left) 1379332 (right)	Unrevised Unrevised	$2,000.00	None
Dianne Balcome	1319540	Revised	$206,000.00	None

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Claimant	Lot No.	Type of Surgery	Amount	EIF
Briana Winkelbauer	1432613	Unrevised	$1,000.00	None
Thomas Lynn	1314841	Revised	$206,000	Yes, as well as medical reimbursement (Red Form)

If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or my legal assistant Sylvia Vargas. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Andres Pereira

ACP/szv
Enclosures as stated