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Boris Miksic, President
Cortec Corporation
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St. Paul, MN 55110

Dear Mr. Miksic;

Last week, as part of the annual meeting of MNBIO, the University of Minnesota celebrated those Minnesota companies who have partnered with the University by supporting research in the life sciences in one of the seven colleges of the Academic Health Center (which includes the medical school, dental school, school of nursing, college of pharmacy, school of public health and college of veterinary medicine) and in the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, and in the College of Biologic Sciences. MNBIO, the Minnesota biotechnology association, is a collaborative effort among biotech companies, individuals and companies that support the biotechnology industry, and the university. Together we work collaboratively to develop new medical treatments, healthier foods, and a cleaner environment.

At the meeting, we acknowledged those Minnesota companies who in the past year have provided gifts or supported research projects at a level of \$25,000 or more. This support is critical for many extraordinary research projects to move forward. And it is the intent for the developments gained through research to be translated into technology that can be used to prevent or cure disease, grow better crops, raise healthier animals, drink better water, and, in general, live in a healthier world. Although no employee from your company attended this year's meeting, your company was named as a University supporter. Please accept this certificate of recognition and our thanks for your support of the important work that we do.

Sincerely,



Mark S. Paller, M.D., M.S.
Assistant Vice President for Research
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Professor of Medicine



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November 21, 2002

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Frank B. Cerra', written over a horizontal line.

Frank B. Cerra, M.D.
Senior Vice President for Health Sciences
Academic Health Center

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Charles C. Muscoplat', written over a horizontal line.

Charles C. Muscoplat, Ph.D.
Vice President, Agricultural Policy
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