From: GE Healthcare US CAN

To: Valued GE Healthcare Supplier (Maryland)

Re: Maryland Executive Order No. 20-03-23-01 and urgent request for supply of critical parts to support essential health care technology production

Dear Valued Supplier,

To help meet the urgent requirements of healthcare institutions and healthcare professionals battling the global COVID-19 pandemic, GE Healthcare is coordinating its global resources and devoting all of our efforts to producing urgently needed medical devices and ensuring the continuity of their supply. GE Healthcare has the unique opportunity and privilege to make an impact as healthcare providers work to contain this pandemic – and your partnership is critical.

Hospitals, healthcare institutions, and healthcare professionals desperately need more of these medical devices as quickly as possible. We have seen an increase in customer demand for medical equipment – including ventilators, mobile X-ray, CT systems, ultrasound and patient monitors. These critical medical devices are required for the triage and treatment of COVID-19 patients. Additionally, this equipment is used for early diagnosis, patient
monitoring and life support, which are critical not only for prompt
treatment of the virus, but also for patient isolation and effective public
health containment and response.

You are one of the quality management system-certified suppliers in the
state of Maryland for GE Healthcare. The parts you supply are necessary for
the continued manufacture and production of our critical medical
technology. Without this important part, GE Healthcare will be significantly
delayed in terms of completing manufacture and delivery of technology to
hospitals and healthcare institutions.

On March 23, 2020, Maryland Governor Larry Hogan issued Executive Order
No. 20-03-23-01 that ordered the closure of non-essential businesses. The
order controls the occupancy and use of all businesses, organizations,
establishments, and facilities that are not part of the critical infrastructure
sectors identified by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s
Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency guidance. The DHS CISA
Guidance which includes Healthcare, public health operations, and health
insurance companies. Specifically included in the guidance are medical
device and equipment companies (including operations, research and
development, manufacture, and supply chain).

In the event that the State of Maryland requires any further information or
approvals, please let us know immediately so that we can coordinate efforts
to obtain those approvals. Finally, any assistance you can provide with the
logistics for timely delivery of these critical parts is greatly appreciated.
It is during times like these that we need to work together to make a difference in combating this pandemic. Please do not hesitate to contact us immediately should any further information be required.

Sincerely,

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