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To All Interested Parties

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Notification regarding listing of entacapone in the Pharmaceutical Schedule

PHARMAC's Chief Executive, acting under delegated authority, has made a decision to list entacapone (Comtan) in the Pharmaceutical Schedule from 1 November 2005. This proposal was the subject of a consultation letter dated 6 September.

- Entacapone 200 mg tablets will be listed in Section B at a price and subsidy of \$129.00 per 100 tablets.
- Entacapone will be subject to a "Retail pharmacy – specialist" restriction.
- Entacapone will be listed in Part II of Section F of the Pharmaceutical Schedule (certified exemptions and access exemptions to monthly dispensing).
- Entacapone will be listed in Part II of Section H of the Pharmaceutical Schedule at a price of \$129.00 per 100 tablets.

If you have any enquiries about this change, please call PHARMAC on 0800 66 00 50 (9:00 am to 4:00 pm weekdays).

Yours sincerely



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