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Dear Valued Customer:

Over the recent months our production of Portex BLUperc and BLUgriggs percutaneous dilation tracheostomy kits has been impacted by a component shortage, specifically the 5mL syringe, that is used these kits. The purpose of this communication is to inform you of the plan to manufacture BLUperc and BLUgriggs products listed in the table below without the 5mL syringe for an interim period of time. This will allow us to expedite production and supply of these items.

Additionally, another one of our suppliers has notified us that they are discontinuing the current 5g lubricating jelly used in the BLUperc and BLUgriggs percutaneous kits. As a result, starting in approximately July of this year ICU Medical will begin manufacturing the products listed in the table below without the 5g lubricating jelly sachets. Work is actively underway to qualify a replacement.

Items manufactured without the 5ml syringe or without the 5g lubricating jelly sachets will be clearly labeled as below for easy identification. The labels below will be applied to both the shelf carton of the product as well as the blister lid.

Due to a supply shortage, this
kit does not contain
5 mL Syringe

Due to a supply shortage, this
kit does not contain
Lubricating Jelly x 2



The following products are impacted by this announcement.

| Product Code | Product Description | Unit of Measure (UOM) | Quantity per UOM |
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| 101/541/070 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with forceps and 7.0mm BLUselect trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/541/080 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with forceps and 8.0mm BLUselect trach tube | Case | 1 |

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| 101/541/090 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with forceps and 9.0mm BLUselect trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/543/070 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with 7.0mm BLUselect trach tube, no forceps | Case | 1 |
| 101/543/080 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with 8.0mm BLUselect trach tube, no forceps | Case | 1 |
| 101/543/090 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with 9.0mm BLUselect trach tube, no forceps | Case | 1 |
| 101/561/070 | BLUperc Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with Single Stage Dilator and 7.0 mm BLUselect trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/561/080 | BLUperc Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with Single Stage Dilator and 8.0 mm BLUselect trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/561/090 | BLUperc Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with Single Stage Dilator and 9.0 mm BLUselect trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/562/000 | BLUperc Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with Single Stage Dilator, no tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/563/070 | BLUperc Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with Single Stage Dilator and 7.0 mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/563/080 | BLUperc Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with Single Stage Dilator and 8.0 mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/563/090 | BLUperc Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with Single Stage Dilator and 9.0 mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/891/070 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with forceps and 7.0mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/891/080 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with forceps and 8.0mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/891/090 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with forceps and 9.0mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube | Case | 1 |
| 101/893/070 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with 7.0mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube, no forceps | Case | 1 |
| 101/893/080 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with 8.0mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube, no forceps | Case | 1 |
| 101/893/090 | BLUgriggs Percutaneous Dilation Procedural Kit with 9.0mm BLUselect SuctionAid trach tube, no forceps | Case | 1 |

If you have any questions please reach out to your account manager.

Kind Regards,

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