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## **HYTRIN REFUNDS AVAILABLE**

BISMARCK - Consumers who purchased the brand-name prescription medication Hytrin may be eligible for refunds from a \$30.7-million nationwide settlement agreement, Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem announced today. Hytrin is used in the treatment of hypertension and enlarged prostate.

According to a federal lawsuit, Abbott Laboratories, which manufactures Hytrin, paid Geneva Pharmaceuticals to delay introduction of its generic version of the drug. Under the settlement agreement, which is still subject to final court approval, Abbott and Geneva will pay \$28.7 million for consumers and third-party payers in North Dakota and 17 other states.

Consumers who purchased terazosin products between October 15, 1995, and March 7, 2005 may request a refund. The refund amount will depend on how many consumers file claims against the settlement fund. Consumers can obtain claim forms from the settlement website at: <http://www.terazosinlitigation.com>; by calling the settlement administrator toll-free at 1-877-886-0283; or by writing to the settlement administrator at: In re Terazosin Hydrochloride Antitrust Litigation, c/o Complete Claim Solutions, Inc., P.O. Box 24607, West Palm Beach, FL 33416. Claims forms must be mailed to the settlement administrator's address no later than July 15, 2005.

The settlement applies to consumers and third-party payers in Alabama, California, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee, West Virginia and Wisconsin.