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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

In re GUIDANT CORP. )  
IMPLANTABLE DEFIBRILLATORS )  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION )

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CHARLES ARMUTH, ET AL.,

Plaintiffs

MDL No. 05-1708(DWF/AJB)

C.A. No. 2:06-2420

District of Minnesota Case No. 07-8

vs.

GUIDANT CORPORATION, ET AL.,

Defendants.

**NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY  
DISMISSAL**

TO ALL PARTIES HEREIN AND TO THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

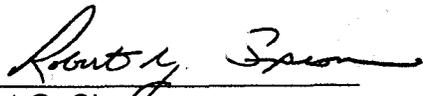
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff BETTY BACKLUND, DECEASED, BY  
AND THROUGH JOHN A. BACKLUND, HER SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST, hereby  
voluntarily dismisses defendants GUIDANT CORPORATION; GUIDANT SALES  
CORPORATION; CARDIAC PACEMAKERS, INC.; DEVICES FOR VASCULAR

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INTERVENTION, INC.; HEART RHYTHM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.; ORIGIN  
MEDSYSTEMS, INC.; MINIMALLY INVASIVE SYSTEMS GROUP, and BOSTON  
SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION without prejudice pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1) of the  
Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Dated: May 10, 2007.

REINER, SIMPSON, TIMMONS &  
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By:   
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