EXHIBIT B

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA THIRD DIVISION

In re: Guidant Corp. Implantable Defibrillators **Products Liability Litigation**

MDL No. 1708 (DWF/AKB)

This Document Relates to: Leopoldo Duron, Jr.,

Case No. 06-cv-25

Guidant Corporation, et al.

DEFENDANTS' AMENDED EXPERT DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO PRE-TRIAL ORDER NO. 25

Defendants, for their Expert Disclosures pursuant to Pre-Trial Order No. 25, state as

RETAINED EXPERTS

follows:

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- 2) David F. Williams, Ph.D., D.Sc. Department of Clinical Engineering Royal Liverpool University Hospital P.O. Box 147 Liverpool, United Kingdom L69 3GA
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COMPANY WITNESSES

Defendants designate the following company witnesses who may have scientific, technical or other specialized knowledge that may assist the jury.

Randy Nuernberg
 Vice President, Product Engineering
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Mr. Nuernberg may provide testimony regarding corporate standards, reliability estimates, research and development of the 1861, manufacturing, continuing engineering, industry standards, device standards, internal policies, reliability, PPR's, quality assurance, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition. Mr. Nuernberg may opine regarding the reliability of the 1861 and other matters within his background. Mr. Nuernberg may discuss the manufacture and testing of Mr. Duron's device. Mr. Nuernberg may respond to expert testimony within these areas.

Todd Koning
 Manager II, Finance
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Mr. Koning may provide testimony regarding financial issues, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

3) Scott Olson
Director of Market Development
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Mr. Olson may provide testimony regarding marketing and other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

4) Chris Harrold
Vice President, Regulatory and Compliance
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Mr. Harrold may provide testimony regarding regulatory and compliance issues, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition. He may testify regarding interactions with regulatory bodies, including communications with FDA. He may testify regarding the regulatory issues in connection with the 1861. He may also testify regarding internal policies and reliability estimates. He may respond to expert testimony within these areas.

5) Bill McConnell
 Senior Vice President, Administration
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Mr. McConnell may provide testimony regarding corporate structure, corporate history, corporate conduct, corporate finances and corporate citizenship. He may respond to expert testimony within these areas.

6) Allan Gorsett
Former Vice President, Reliability and Quality Assurance
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Mr. Gorsett may provide testimony on reliability and quality issues, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

7) Beverly Lorell, M.D.
Former Chief Medical and Technology Officer
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Dr. Lorell may provide testimony regarding medical issues, communication, and reliability, as well as other subject matters addressed in her deposition.

8) Dan Tich
Manager II, Quality Assurance
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Mr. Tich may provide testimony regarding the Company's communication protocols, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

9) Keith Johnson Former Director of Reliability Engineering and Device Analysis c/o Guidant Corporation 4100 Hamline Avenue North St. Paul, Minnesota 55112

Mr. Johnson may provide testimony regarding reliability, engineering, device analysis, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

Dale DeVries
 Former Vice President, Regulatory and Compliance
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Mr. DeVries may offer testimony regarding regulatory and compliance issues, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

11) Brian Novak
Manager II, Regulatory Affairs
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Mr. Novak may offer testimony regarding regulatory and compliance issues regarding the 1861, including its approval process and history, including, but not limited to, PMA submissions, PMA approval, and real time review; and the history of the approval of polyimide as an insulator, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition and affidavit. He may respond to expert testimony within these areas.

Kathy Lundberg
 Senior Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer
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Ms. Lundberg may provide testimony regarding compliance, as well as other subject matters addressed in her deposition.

13) Renold Russie
Director of Product Performance
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Mr. Russie may offer testimony regarding research, design and development, of the 1861, continuing engineering, reliability, PPR's, quality assurance, industry standards, device standards, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition. He may address allegations of underreporting and reliability of the 1861. He may respond to expert testimony within these areas.

Joseph Smith, M.D.
 Former Chief Medical Officer
 c/o Guidant Corporation
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Dr. Smith may offer testimony regarding communication, reliability, warnings, risks of ICD's, complications of explant surgery, ICD implantation, functionality of ICD's, PPR's, and industry standards, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition. He may respond to expert testimony within these areas. He may offer testimony regarding Mr. Duron's medical conditions, the implantation and explantation of his device, and the functioning and testing of his device.

15) Michael Smith
Research Scientist
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Mr. Smith may provide testimony on device testing and matters in accordance with his deposition.

16) Sylvia Radford
Engineer II, Quality Assurance
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Ms. Radford may provide testimony regarding the product performance and trend issues concerning the 1861, as well as other subject matters addressed in her deposition.

17) Lynn Elliott
Former Vice President, Research
c/o Guidant Corporation
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Mr. Elliott may provide testimony regarding 1861 performance and recall-related issues and meetings with regulators, panels and organizations on medical device-related issues, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

18) Jack Litzau
Principal Statistician
c/o Guidant Corporation
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Mr. Litzau may provide testimony regarding statistics concerning the 1861, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

19) Susan Thompson
Specialist I, Engineering
c/o Guidant Corporation
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Ms. Thompson may provide testimony regarding reliability and engineering concerning the 1861. Further, she will provide testimony regarding the manufacturing, inspection and testing of Mr. Duron's device consistent with the documents produced by the company. She may respond to expert testimony within these areas.

Fred McCoy
 Former President
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Mr. McCoy may provide testimony regarding corporate history, corporate structure, corporate citizenship, and other matters pertaining to Guidant.

Richard Vogel
 Vice President and CFO
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Mr. Vogel may provide testimony on financial matters, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

Steven McQuillan
 Director of Clinical Applications Research Studies (CARS)
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Mr. McQuillan may provide testimony regarding the clinical studies concerning the 1861, as well as other subject matters addressed in his deposition.

NON-RETAINED EXPERTS

Steven L. Higgins, M.D.
 Cardiac Arrhythmia Associates
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Dr. Higgins may provide opinion testimony within his area of expertise as a treating physician of Mr. Leopoldo Duron concerning Mr. Duron's medical care and treatment and his underlying health issues. In addition, Dr. Higgins may offer opinions on topics and subject matters set forth within the videotapes of Dr. Higgins which have been produced. Dr. Higgins may also offer opinions regarding communication, reliability, warnings, risks of ICD's, complications of explant surgery, ICD implantation, functionality of ICD's, PPR's, and industry standards. Dr. Higgins may also offer opinions regarding topics and subject matters set forth within the article entitled "The Dark Side of the New Era," PACE, Vol. 29, 459-60 (May 2006).

Defendants reserve the right to call as witnesses and/or elicit opinion testimony from any expert witness disclosed by Plaintiff, and further reserve the right to amend its expert disclosures upon receipt and review of Plaintiff's expert reports.

Respectfully submitted,

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