



April 7, 2014

The Honorable Fred Upton
Chairman, House Energy and
Commerce Committee
2125 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Henry Waxman
Ranking Member, House Energy and
Commerce Committee
2322A Rayburn Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Marino
410 Cannon House Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Marsha Blackburn
217 Cannon House Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Upton, Ranking Member Waxman, and Representatives Blackburn and Marino,

FedEx urges passage of the Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act of 2014. This bill will foster important collaboration among government regulators, private industry, and patient groups to combat prescription drug abuse, and protect against disruptions in the pharmaceutical supply chain that can impede access to life-saving medicines.

With our broad portfolio of transportation, e-commerce and business services and through the work of our 300,000 team members worldwide, FedEx supports all points of the pharmaceutical supply chain. FedEx delivers medications to Americans who need prescription drugs to treat and cure illnesses and prolong and improve the quality of their lives. While all consumers benefit from the convenience and cost savings associated with direct-to-patient pharmaceutical deliveries, the greatest beneficiaries are the elderly, the disabled, the chronically ill, and those who live in remote parts of the United States. The Ensuring Patient Access Act will improve enforcement efforts while ensuring that nation's most vulnerable patients receive vitally needed medicines.

The bill's creation of a Prescription Drug Abuse Working Group bringing together law enforcement, supply chain stakeholders, policy experts, and patient groups is laudable. Working collaboratively, with the specific duties and powers set forth in the bill, this group can identify practical and effective measures to curb diversion and the inappropriate use of prescription medications.

We commend Representatives Blackburn and Marino for sponsoring this legislation and stand ready to support your efforts to move H.R. 4069 to passage.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gina F. Adams".

Gina F. Adams
Corporate Vice President, Government Affairs, FedEx Corporation