

Impact of COVID-19 on Manufacturing and Product Availability

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As the circumstances around the Coronavirus (COVID-19) evolve, we continue to monitor the situation and prepare and plan accordingly. We understand that first and foremost on your mind is taking the appropriate precautions to ensure the safety of your teams and your patients. We would like to share important information about the steps we're taking to continue to support you in this time of crisis.

To date, there has been no adverse impact to our supply line as a result of COVID-19. Specific to our Chinese supply base, we source less than 3 percent of our raw materials from these sources. As additional reassurance, we have alternative sources of supply in place.

If the situation continues for an extended period of time, there is potential for impact on items, such as electronic components used in our capital equipment lines. In these cases, we are staying in close contact with these suppliers to minimize any impact. Currently, we consider this a low risk to our ability to produce and supply our products.

We have also taken internal measures to assure that material delivery dates remain on track, manufacturing is not interrupted, and that we maximize output to maintain inventory positions.

Clearly, this is still very much a developing health situation, and the full impact of the outbreak is yet to be seen. Rest assured we are taking all the necessary steps to ensure that the products you need continue to be available with little to no interruption. We take pride in being your partner in infection prevention and are committed to continuing that partnership in this important time.

Sincerely,
Terry Lubben
Vice President Global Supply Chain

