

Bayer



## News Release

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### **Bayer Animal Health Announces Successful Injunction Against Illegal Importation**

**Shawnee, Kan.** (April 11, 2006) –Bayer Healthcare LLC has won a permanent injunction against an internet pharmacy selling foreign Bayer Animal Health products to U.S. consumers. The injunction is against UK-based AbbeyVet Export Ltd., which trades under 10 different Web site names, including [advantageflea.com](http://advantageflea.com). The Bayer products that were for sale on the Web sites were Bayer's Advantage® and K9 Advantix™ products packaged for sale to United Kingdom consumers.

“Bayer Animal Health continues to support the role of veterinarians in caring for the health of our country’s companion animals. This successful injunction is just one way we show our support,” said Joerg Ohle, Bayer HealthCare LLC, Animal Health Division president and general manager.

On March 24, 2006, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York entered a permanent injunction barring AbbeyVet from selling imported Advantage and K9 Advantix through any and all channels of trade including their Web sites. In addition to enjoining any future sales of foreign Advantage and K9 Advantix, the court ordered AbbeyVet to transfer the ownership of the domain names [advantageflea.com](http://advantageflea.com) and [advantageflea.co.uk](http://advantageflea.co.uk) to Bayer.

Bayer HealthCare’s Animal Health Division further expressed the company’s passion for protecting consumers and veterinarians.

“As an industry leader, we strongly support the legal distribution of our products and will continue to prosecute companies who illegally sell and import foreign Bayer animal health products into the U.S.,” said Ohle.

#### **About Bayer Animal Health**

Bayer HealthCare’s Animal Health Division is a worldwide leader in parasite control and prescription pharmaceuticals for dogs, cats, horses, cattle, and poultry. North American operations for the Animal Health Division are headquartered in Shawnee, Kan. Bayer Animal Health is a division of Bayer HealthCare, one of the world’s leading health care companies. Bayer Animal Health boasts a state-of-the-art contract manufacturing facility that offers a wide range of manufacturing services for pharmaceutical and other companies.

#### ***Forward-looking Statements***

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