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Subject: Shipping Conditions for USP Reference Standards

Dear Valued USP Customer:

Please be advised that USP Reference Standards are not customarily shipped on ice or under refrigerated conditions. The storage conditions noted on the Reference Standard vial or packaging are intended to preserve the integrity of the Reference Standard during long-term storage. Normal shipping conditions and transit times, including international shipping of Reference Standards, has not been demonstrated to affect their suitability for their intended use.

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Best regards,

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