



NDA 18-276/S-045, 21-434/S-007

## SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Pfizer Inc.  
Attention: Huston Howell  
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Dear Dr. Howell:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Applications (sNDAs) dated July 18, 2011 and July 26, 2011, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Xanax (alprazolam) tablets and Xanax XR (alprazolam) extended-release tablets. Reference is also made to your email communication to the Division of Psychiatry Products dated August 19, 2011.

This Changes Being Effected (CBE) supplemental new drug application provides for revisions to the labeling for Xanax (alprazolam) tablets and Xanax XR (alprazolam) extended-release tablets.

We have completed our review of these supplemental applications. They are approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed, agreed-upon labeling text.

### **CONTENT OF LABELING**

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(1)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>, that is identical to the enclosed labeling and include the labeling changes proposed in any pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements. Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry titled "SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As" at <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>.

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications for these NDAs, including pending CBE supplements, for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of

labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)(1)(i)] in MS Word format that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application.

### **LETTERS TO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**

If you decide to issue a letter communicating important safety-related information about this drug product (i.e., a “Dear Health Care Professional” letter), we request that you submit, at least 24 hours prior to issuing the letter, an electronic copy of the letter to this NDA to the following address:

MedWatch Program  
Office of Special Health Issues  
Food and Drug Administration  
10903 New Hampshire Ave  
Building 32, Mail Stop 5353  
Silver Spring, MD 20993

### **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Sonny Saini, Pharm.D., MBA, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-0532.

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

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Director  
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Office of Drug Evaluation I  
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ENCLOSURE:

Content of Labeling

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