



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring MD 20993

NDA 21153/S-043
NDA 21957/S-013
NDA 22101/S-010

SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

AstraZeneca LP
Attention: Judy W Firor
Director, Regulatory Affairs
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Wilmington, DE 19803-8355

Dear Ms. Firor:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Applications (sNDAs) dated and received February 7, 2012, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Nexium (esomeprazole magnesium) Delayed-Release Capsules, 20 mg and 40 mg; For Delayed-Release Oral Suspension, 10 mg, 20 mg, and 40 mg.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated August 31 and September 26, 2012.

These Prior Approval supplemental new drug applications provide for the addition of *Clostridium difficile* associated diarrhea to the Warnings and Precautions section of the label and the replacement of the patient package insert with a Medication Guide.

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

We are waiving the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of prescribing information. This waiver applies to all future supplements containing revised labeling unless we notify you otherwise.

CONTENT OF LABELING

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), as described at <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>. Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert and Medication Guide), with the addition of any labeling changes in pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements, as well as annual reportable changes not included in the enclosed labeling. 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 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, as well as annual reportable changes and annotate each change. To facilitate review of your submission, provide a highlighted or marked-up copy that shows all changes, as well as a clean Microsoft Word version. The marked-up copy should provide appropriate annotations, including supplement number(s) and annual report date(s).

CARTON AND IMMEDIATE CONTAINER LABELS

Submit final printed carton and container labels that are identical to the carton and immediate container labels submitted on September 26, 2012, as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days after they are printed.

All promotional materials that include representations about your drug product must be promptly revised to be consistent with the labeling changes approved in this supplement, including any new safety information [21 CFR 314.70(a)(4)]. The revisions in your promotional materials should include prominent disclosure of the important new safety information that appears in the revised package labeling. Within 7 days of receipt of this letter, submit your statement of intent to comply with 21 CFR 314.70(a)(4) to the address above or by fax to 301-847-8444.

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 Stacy Barley, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-2137.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE:
Content of Labeling

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09/28/2012