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Approval Package for:

APPLICATION NUMBER:

20-786 /S002

Trade Name: Allegra-D

Generic Name: fexofenadine HCl/pseudoephedrine

Sponsor: Aventis Pharmaceuticals

Approval Date: December 21, 1999

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APPROVAL LETTER

NDA 20-786/S-002

DEC 21 1999

Hoechst Marion Roussel
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Attention: J. Michael Nicholas, Ph.D.
Director, Marketed Products
Regulatory Affairs

Dear Dr. Nicholas:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated June 19, 1998, received June 22, 1998, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Allegra-D (fexofenadine hydrochloride and pseudoephedrine hydrochloride) Extended-Release Tablets.

We acknowledge receipt of your submissions dated July 15, October 27, and November 30, 1998, February 26, March 29, April 8, 12, and 23, May 27, June 11, 14, 17, and 24, July 7, 15, and 21, August 20, 27, and 31, September 16 and 27, October 1, 4, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 25, and 29, November 9, 11, 15, 16, 17, 22, and 30, December 6, 9, and 16. Your submission of August 31, 1999, constituted a complete response to our August 6, 1999, action letter.

This supplemental new drug application provides for the following changes.

1. Controlling pseudoephedrine hydrochloride drug substance ~~_____~~ specification.
2. Deletion of ~~_____~~ specification for the pseudoephedrine hydrochloride drug substance.
3. Deletion ~~_____~~ specifications for the pseudoephedrine hydrochloride drug substance.
4. Addition of ~~_____~~ pseudoephedrine hydrochloride.
5. Withdrawal of ~~_____~~ pseudoephedrine hydrochloride.

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We have completed the review of this supplemental application, as amended, and it is approved.

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Gretchen Trout, Project Manager, at (301) 827-1058.

Sincerely yours,

Guirag Poochikian, Ph.D.
Chemistry Team Leader
Division of Pulmonary and Allergy Drug Products, HFD-570
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HFD-820/DNDC Division Director

DISTRICT OFFICE

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GST 12-21-99

Drafted by: GST/December 20, 1999

Initialed by: Barnes/12-20-99

Choi/12-20-99

Rogers/12-20-99

Bertha (for Poochikian)/12-20-99 *Bfa BR 12/21/99*

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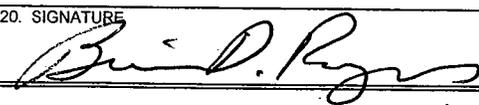
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CHEMISTRY REVIEW(S)

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| CHEMIST'S REVIEW | | 1. ORGANIZATION HFD-570 DDPD | 2. NDA NUMBER 20-786 |
| 3. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (City and State) Hoechst Marion Roussel, Inc. PO Box 9627 Kansas City, MO 64134-0627 | | 4. AF NUMBER | 5. SUPPLEMENT(S) NUMBER DATE SCS-002 6/19/98 |
| 6. NAME OF DRUG Allegra-D™ Extended-release Tablets | | 7. NONPROPRIETARY NAME fexofenadine hydrochloride and pseudoephedrine hydrochloride extended-release tablets | |
| 8. SUPPLEMENT PROVIDES FOR: | | 9. AMENDMENT(S), REPORT(S), ETC. | |
| 1. Controlling pseudoephedrine HCl drug substance specification | | SCS-002 BC* 10/4/99 | |
| 2. Deletion of specification for the pseudoephedrine HCl drug substance | | SCS-002 BC* 10/4/99 | |
| 3. Deletion specifications for the pseudoephedrine HCl drug substance | | SCS-002 BC* 11/9/99 | |
| 4. Addition pseudoephedrine HCl | | SCS-002 BC* 11/11/99 | |
| 5. Withdrawal pseudoephedrine HCl | | SCS-002 BC* 11/15/99 | |
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| | | SCS-002 BC* 11/22/99 | |
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| | | SCS-002 BC* 12/6/99 | |
| | | SCS-002 BC* 12/9/99 | |
| | | SCS-002 BC* 12/17/99 | |
| | | *Subject of this review. See comments (Item 17) below for additional submissions | |
| 10. PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY Histamine H ₁ -receptor antagonist/decongestant for treatment of symptoms associated with seasonal allergic rhinitis | | 11. HOW DISPENSED RX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTC <input type="checkbox"/> | 12. RELATED IND/NDA/DMF |
| 13. DOSAGE FORM(S) Extended-release Tablet | | 14. POTENCY 60 mg immediate-release fexofenadine hydrochloride and 120 mg extended-release pseudoephedrine hydrochloride | |
| 15. CHEMICAL NAME AND STRUCTURE (±)-4-[1-Hydroxy-4-[4-(hydroxydiphenylmethyl)-1-piperidiny]-butyl]-dimethylbenzeneacetic acid HCl and [S-(R*,R*)]-α-[1-(Methylamino)ethyl]-benzenemethanol HCl (for structures see USAN) | | 16. RECORDS AND REPORTS CURRENT YES_ NO_ REVIEWED YES_ NO_ | |
| 17. COMMENTS: Based upon 11/5/99 meeting comments from Y-Y Chiu, approval of this supplement must be de-coupled from any outstanding GMP issues pertaining to specification . An Acceptable EES rating will not be required for specification as a condition for approval of this supplement. Additional amendments (BC) were dated 7/15/98, 10/27/98, 11/30/98, 2/22/99, 2/26/99, 3/29/99, 4/8/99, 4/12/99, 4/12/99, 4/19/99, 4/19/99, 4/19/99, 4/21/99, 4/21/99, 4/21/99, 4/21/99, 4/23/99, 4/26/99, 4/26/99, 4/29/99, 4/29/99, 4/30/99, 4/30/99, 5/3/99, 5/3/99, 5/4/99, 5/4/99, 5/4/99, 5/4/99, 5/4/99, 5/25/99, 5/27/99, 6/3/99, 6/11/99, 6/14/99, 6/17/99, 6/24/99, 7/7/99, 7/15/99, 7/21/99, 8/17/99, (AC) 8/20/99, 8/27/99, 8/27/99, (AZ) 8/31/99, 9/16/99, 9/16/99, 9/27/99, 10/1/99, 10/1/99, 10/7/99, 10/8/99, 10/13/99, 10/14/99, 10/14/99, 10/15/99, 10/20/99, 10/25/99, 10/29/99, and 10/29/99. | | | |
| cc: Orig. NDA #20-786 HFD-570/div. File HFD-570/BRogers/12/20/99 HFD-570/GPoochikian HFD-570/GTrom R/D Init. by: <u>CB for GP 12/20/99</u> F/T by: B. Rogers/12/20/99 doc # 20786.c02.DOC | | | |
| 18. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The supplement is APPROVED. | | | |
| 19. REVIEWER NAME Brian D. Rogers, Ph.D. | | 20. SIGNATURE  | 21. DATE COMPLETED 12/20/99 |

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CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY AND
BIOPHARMACEUTICS REVIEW(S)

DISSOLUTION IN pH 1.2 SIMULATED GASTRIC FLUID WITHOUT ENZYME:

| Lot # | Average % pseudoephedrine dissolved | | | | | | | | F2 value |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | 15 min | 30 min | 45 min | 60 min | 180 min | 300 min | 420 min | 720 min | |
| | | | | | | | | | 51.1 |
| | | | | | | | | | 57.1 |

DISSOLUTION IN pH 4.5 PHOSPHATE BUFFER:

| Lot # | Average % pseudoephedrine dissolved | | | | | | | | F2 value |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | 15 min | 30 min | 45 min | 60 min | 180 min | 300 min | 420 min | 720 min | |
| | | | | | | | | | 52.5 |
| | | | | | | | | | 55.9 |

DISSOLUTION IN pH 6.8 SIMULATED INTESTINAL FLUID WITHOUT ENZYME:

| Lot # | Average % pseudoephedrine dissolved | | | | | | | | F2 value |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | 15 min | 30 min | 45 min | 60 min | 180 min | 300 min | 420 min | 720 min | |
| | | | | | | | | | 44.7 |
| | | | | | | | | | 46.7 |

F2 values for fexofenadine in all dissolution media tested were greater than 50. Please note that no process change has been made to the fexofenadine entity.

COMMENT: While dissolution profiles for pseudoephedrine appear to be different in the intestinal fluid, f2 values were close to 50. In addition to this dissolution data, the average % dissolved values were still within the approved dissolution specifications for Allegra-D (for fexofenadine, Q = 10% in 15 minutes, for pseudoephedrine, at 15 minutes - NMT 25% at 15 minutes - 10%, at 30 minutes - 10%, and at 45 minutes - NLT 10%). Further, since pseudoephedrine is a base, some variability is expected in dissolution in basic media.

CONCLUSION: Generally for a process change for a drug substance, one only compares dissolution profiles in the approved dissolution medium. Since the dissolution profiles are comparable for the batches produced with the process for pseudoephedrine and in the approved dissolution medium, this change is acceptable.

RECOMMENDATION:

This submission has been reviewed by the Office of Clinical Pharmacology and Biopharmaceutics. Data provided is found to be acceptable for the process change in

the pseudoephedrine drug substance from Biopharmaceutics' point of view.

Uppoor 11/20/98

Venkata Ramana S. Uppoor, Ph.D.
Division of Pharmaceutical Evaluation - II

FT Initialed by Mei-Ling Chen, Ph.D.

Mei-Ling Chen 11/20/98

CC list: HFD-570: NDA 20,786; Division file; Lindsay Cobbs; Rogers; HFD-870: Venkata Ramana S. Uppoor; Mei-Ling Chen, John Hunt, HFD-850: Lesko; CDR: Attn: Barbara Murphy/*Trout*

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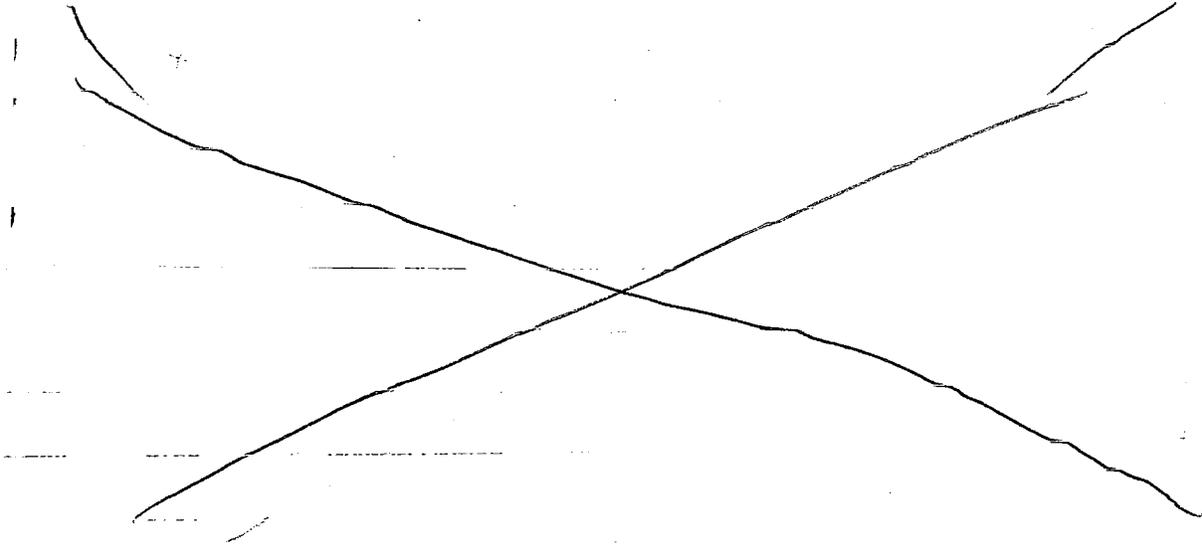
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ALLEGRA-D™

(combination fexofenadine hydrochloride 60 mg and pseudoephedrine hydrochloride 120 mg tablets)

List of Referenced Documents

| Type | Number | Title/Subject | Holder | Reference |
|------|--------|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| IND | 43,573 | Fexofenadine HCl | Hoechst Marion Roussel Inc. | Entire File |
| NDA | 20-625 | Fexofenadine HCl | Hoechst Marion Roussel Inc. | Entire File |



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ADMINISTRATIVE and CORRESPONDENCE
DOCUMENTS

The Division proposed that HMR conduct a multivariate analysis, and discussion followed on different factors which the Division might like to see used for the multivariate analysis (factors which might effect dissolution).

• / ~~_____~~ 1

• / ~~_____~~ J

• / ~~_____~~ C

• / ~~_____~~ L

• / ~~_____~~

• / ~~_____~~ pseudoephedrine drug substance.

• ~~_____~~

The Division wants to see, for any of the batches that HMR has on stability, the drug product variables ~~_____~~ The Division questioned if they ~~_____~~ on stability. HMR replied that they ~~_____~~

The Division is concerned that if we set specifications, and a ~~_____~~

~~_____~~
~~_____~~ HMR stated that they feel that the pseudoephedrine ~~_____~~

~~_____~~ HMR said that the specifications should be set ~~_____~~ pseudoephedrine ~~_____~~ specifications. HMR said that ~~_____~~ for specifications. They would rather have tighter specifications ~~_____~~. They ~~_____~~ specifications at ~~_____~~

CONCLUSION:

HMR and the Division discussed a range of specifications, and HMR agreed that they could accept the following PROPOSED specifications (amended as per a follow-up conversation):



The Division will discuss these proposed specifications internally and decide if they are acceptable. The Division again encouraged ~~_____~~

The Division also questioned if HMR ~~_____~~

FOLLOW-UP:

In a follow-up teleconference on July 14, 1998, between Brian Rogers (FDA) and Dhiren Shah (HMR), Dr. Rogers informed Dr. Shah that the Division proposes changing the ~~_____~~ specification for pseudoephedrine dissolution to ~~_____~~ at ~~_____~~ min from ~~_____~~ in addition to the proposal discussed earlier with him concerning changes in ~~_____~~ specifications. Dr. Rogers suggested that Dr. Shah discuss this proposal internally. Dr. Rogers explained that the specification change would only be instituted at ~~_____~~

~~_____~~ Dr. Shah stated that HMR currently has an ~~_____~~ for pseudoephedrine dissolution and he would discuss this proposal with others. Upon further discussion at a later time, Dr. Shah proposed that the ~~_____~~ at ~~_____~~ minutes. Dr. Rogers agreed that this is a reasonable proposal and will discuss it internally.

Dr. Rogers also requested that HMR send any ~~_____~~
_____ whose data were included in
the facsimile dated January 14, 1998.


Gretchen Trout
Project Manager

cc: NDA 20-786
Div. File
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HFD-715/Lin
HFD-570/Trout
HFD-570/Poochikian
HFD-570/Gillespie

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TELECONFERENCE

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JUL 17 1998

Hoechst Marion Roussel
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Attention: Dhiren N. Shah, Ph.D.
Director
CMC, US Drug Regulatory Affairs

Dear Dr. Shah:

Please refer to your pending June 19, 1998, supplemental new drug application submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Allegra-D (fexofenadine HCl and pseudoephedrine HCl) Tablets.

We are reviewing your submission and have the following comment and information request:

In order to ensure the comparability of Allegra-D product with you should compare a in three dissolution media (simulated gastric fluid, pH 4.5 buffer and simulated intestinal fluid). Complete dissolution versus time profiles of the should be compared statistically using the f2 test procedure. The used for comparison with must be manufactured with pseudoephedrine HCl which is must also pass the proposed

We would appreciate your prompt written response so we can continue our evaluation of your supplemental application.

These comments are being provided to you prior to completion of our review of the application to give you preliminary notice of issues that have been identified. Per the user fee reauthorization agreements, these comments have been reviewed only to the level of the discipline team leader. They do not reflect division director input or concurrence and should not be construed to do so. These comments are subject to change as the review of your application is finalized. In addition, we may identify other information that must be provided prior to approval of this application. If you respond in the current review cycle we

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may or may not consider your response prior to taking an action on your application. In the meantime, we are continuing our review of your application.

If you have any questions, contact Ms. Gretchen Trout, Project Manager, at (301) 827-1058.

Sincerely yours,

Guirag Poochikian, Ph.D.
Chemistry Team Leader for
Division of Pulmonary Drug Products, (HFD-570)
DNDC II, Office of New Drug Chemistry
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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HFD-820/DNDC Division Director (only for CMC related issues)

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Drafted by: PJani/July 17, 1998

Initialed by: BRogers/7-17-98

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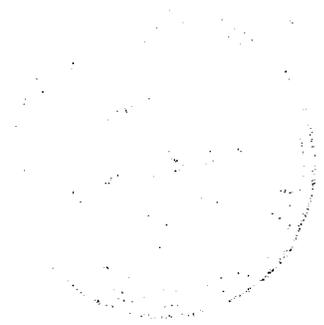
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Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
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JUN 30 1998

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Attention: DHIREN N. SHAH, PH.D
DIRECTOR, CMC US DRUG REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Dear DR. SHAH:

We acknowledge receipt of your supplemental application for the following:

Name of Drug: ALLEEGRA-D TABLETS

NDA Number: 20-786

Supplement Number: S-002

Date of Supplement: JUNE 19, 1998

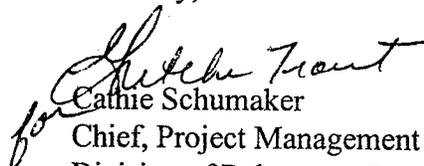
Date of Receipt: JUNE 22, 1998

Unless we find the application not acceptable for filing, this application will be filed under Section 505(b)(1) of the Act on AUGUST 21, 1998 in accordance with 21 CFR 314.101(a).

All communications concerning this NDA should be addressed as follows:

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
Division of Pulmonary Drug Products, HFD-570
Office of Drug Evaluation II
Attention: Document Control Room 10B-03
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

Sincerely,


Cathie Schumaker

Chief, Project Management Staff
Division of Pulmonary Drug Products, HFD-570
Office of Drug Evaluation II
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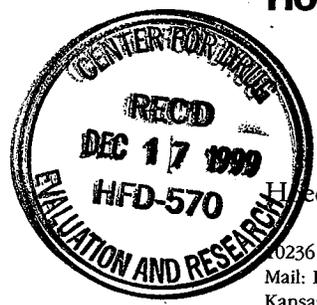
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SUPPLEMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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Hoechst Marion Roussel

December 16, 1999



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Attention: Ms. Gretchen Trout, Regulatory Health Project Manager

Sent via Telefax: 301-827-1371

Re: NDA 20-786/S-002
ALLEGRA-D® Tablets
(fexofenadine HCl/pseudoephedrine
HCl extended release tablets)

Amendment to Supplement
Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls
Information for Teleconference on
December 17, 1999

Dear Ms. Trout:

Hoechst Marion Roussel hereby submits a proposed modification to the _____
_____ for Allegra-D tablets and pseudoephedrine HCl (attached)
for agency's consideration at the planned teleconference on December 17, 1999 at 10 AM
(EST).

A paper copy of this telefax will be submitted today.

Should you have any comments or questions, please contact the undersigned at
(816) 966-7104.

Sincerely,
Hoechst Marion Roussel, Inc.
Mail Station H3-M2112

Dhiren N. Shah
Dhiren N. Shah, Ph.D.
Director - CMC, US Drug Regulatory Affairs

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October 27, 1998

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Hoechst Marion Roussel, Inc.

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Attention: Dr. G. Poochikian, Chemistry Team Leader

Re: NDA 20-786/S-002
Allegra-D Tablets
(fexofenadine HCl/pseudoephedrine HCl
extended release tablets)

Amendment:
Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Controls
Additional Information

Dear Dr. Poochikian:

Please refer to the telephone conversations between Dr. B. Rogers of your review division and the undersigned on September 29, 1998 regarding the above-referenced supplement. In the phone conversation you had requested Hoechst Marion Roussel, Inc. (HMRI) to provide dissolution data on a [redacted] of Allegra-D manufactured with pseudoephedrine HCl which was [redacted]

HMRI hereby provides, in duplicate, an amendment to the supplement. This submission contains 1 volume.

The purpose of the amendment is to provide additional information on the [redacted] pseudoephedrine hydrochloride and dissolution data on the [redacted] that pseudoephedrine HCl. Additional data from [redacted] of Allegra-D tablets are also included in this submission.

Based on the information provided in the attachment, HMRI concludes the following:

- [redacted]

Hoechst

Hoechst Marion Roussel
The Pharmaceutical Company of Hoechst

• ~~_____~~

pseudoephedrine HCl:

- ~~_____~~
- ~~_____~~
- ~~_____~~
- As a result of the ~~_____~~ / pseudoephedrine HCl, we are able to ~~_____~~
~~_____~~ / fexofenadine HCl.

We trust that we have satisfactorily addressed the pseudoephedrine HCl ~~_____~~
~~_____~~ HMRI acknowledges the input from the review division and especially by Dr. B. Rogers in resolving this issue.

Pursuant to 21 CFR 314.71(b), an exact copy of this submission has been sent to the Kansas City District Office.

Should you have any comments or questions, please contact the undersigned at (816) 966-7104.

Sincerely,
Hoechst Marion Roussel, Inc.
Mail Station H3-M2112



Dhiren N. Shah, Ph.D.
Director - CMC, US Drug Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

cc: Kansas City District Office, 11630 W. 80th Street, Lenexa, KS 66214