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510(k) Summary

1. **Submitter Name, Address, and Date of Submission.**

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2. **Name of the Device, Common, Proprietary (if Known), and Classification.**

Classification Name: Catheter Stylet

Common Name: Catheter Stylet

Proprietary Name: TFX Medical Coated Catheter Stylet

3. **Identification of the legally marketed device to which the submitter claims equivalence.**

The TFX Medical Coated Stylet is substantially equivalent to the Lake Region Stylet.

4. **Description of the Device.**

The TFX Medical Hydrophilic Coated or Uncoated Stylet consists of a hub which is bonded to the flexible stainless steel shaft.

5. **Intended Use of the Device.**

The TFX Medical Hydrophilic Coated or Uncoated Stylet is intended for use with catheters or other devices, which require the aid of a stylet to render it stiff for placement.

6. **Summary of Technological Characteristics.**

TFX Medical Catheter Stylets are substantially equivalent to the predicate devices, since the basic features, designs and intended uses are the same. The differences between the TFX Medical, Incorporated devices and the predicate devices raise no new issues of safety and effectiveness, as these design differences have no effect on the performance, function or intended use of the device.

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Mrs. Julie A. Beaumont
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Re: K992664
TFX Medical Catheter Stylet
Regulatory Class: II (two)
Product Code: DRB
Dated: March 7, 2000
Received: March 10, 2000

Dear Mrs. Beaumont:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Premarket Approval), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895. A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the Current Good Manufacturing Practice requirements, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic QS inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531 through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4648. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597, or at its internet address "http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsma/dsmamain.html".

Sincerely yours,

James E. Dillard III
Director
Division of Cardiovascular and
Respiratory Devices
Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and
Radiological Health

Enclosure

TFX Medical

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Device Name: TFX Medical Catheter Stylet

Indications for Use:

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PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE-CONTINUE ON ANOTHER PAGE IF NEEDED)

Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

for Dillard

(Division Sign-Off)
Division of Cardiovascular, Respiratory,
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Prescription Use X OR Over-The-Counter Use_____

(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

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