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Re: K160608

Trade/Device Name: NormaTec Pulse and NormaTec Pulse Pro  
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 890.5650  
Regulation Name: Powered inflatable tube massager  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: IRP  
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Dear Mr. Job:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and 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) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). 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. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

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Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

## Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)

K160608

Device Name

NormaTec Pulse and NormaTec Pulse Pro

Indications for Use (Describe)

The NormaTec Pulse and Pulse Pro is an air pressure massager intended to temporarily relieve minor muscle aches and/or pains, and to temporarily increase circulation to the treated areas.

Type of Use (Select one or both, as applicable)

Prescription Use (Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)

Over-The-Counter Use (21 CFR 801 Subpart C)

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**Proprietary or Trade Name:** NormaTec Pulse and NormaTec Pulse Pro

**Common/Usual Name:** Powered inflatable tube massager.

**Classification Name/Code:** IRP - Powered inflatable tube massager  
Class II

**Device Name:** NormaTec Pulse and NormaTec Pulse Pro

**Predicate Devices:** K112890 – NormaTec MVP  
K122154 - Figg, LLC PowerPlay model PPRT-01

**Device Description:**

The NormaTec Pulse and Pulse Pro are powered inflatable tube massagers. They are intended to temporarily relieve minor muscle aches and/or pains, and to temporarily increase circulation to the treated areas. They simulate manual kneading and stroking of tissues by use of an inflatable pressure cuff. The device is to be used by people who are in good health. The devices are powered from an external IEC 60601-1 compliant power supply and can optionally be powered by an internal lithium ion battery.

The NormaTec Pulse and Pulse Pro consist of an air compressor unit with a control system, an inflatable “appliance” (arms, legs and hips), plastic air tubing with proprietary connectors for connecting the device to the appliance; and an AC-DC adaptor with power cord.

The inflatable leg and arm “appliances”, and the plastic air tubing are identical to the components of the FDA-cleared NormaTec MVP (K112890). The hip appliance is of the same general design and uses identical materials. Additionally, the air compressor, valve, valve control are similar to the predicate NormaTec MVP.

The user interface on the Pulse Pro model is a 4.3” Color TFT Screen with Capacitive Sensor (similar to a Smartphone). The user interface on the Pulse model is 4.3” Color LCD Screen, with Membrane Keypad with dome switches. There is no difference in function between the two interface technologies, they are just being offered for slight feature differences and user preferences.

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### Intended User

OTC

### Patient Population

Adults

### Indications for Use:

The NormaTec Pulse and Pulse Pro is an air pressure massager intended to temporarily relieve minor muscle aches and/or pains, and to temporarily increase circulation to the treated areas.

### Environment of Use:

Clinics, hospital, athlete training, and home environments

### Contraindications:

- Do not use this product if you are experiencing inflammation, an infection, pain of unknown origin, or bleeding (internal or external) at or near the site of application or if you have a wound at or near the site of application.
- Do not use this product if you are under the care of a physician or have a condition requiring the use of any medical device.
- Do not use this product on sensitive skin or on in the presence of poor circulation.
- Do not use this product if you have any of the following conditions:
  - Acute pulmonary edema
  - Acute thrombophlebitis
  - Acute congestive cardiac failure
  - Acute infections
  - Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)
  - Episodes of Pulmonary embolism
  - Wounds lesions or tumors at or in the vicinity of application
  - Where increased venous and lymphatic return is undesirable
  - Bone fractures or dislocations at or in the vicinity of application

These contraindications are identical to the predicate.

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**Differences Between Pulse and Pulse Pro**

The table below details features available on Pulse Pro that are not available on Pulse

| Characteristic  | PULSE | PULSE PRO |
|---|-------|-----------|
| <b>Power on:</b> The system recalls and displays the last used settings for:  |       |           |
| Treatment time  | X     | X         |
| Treatment mode  | X     | X         |
| Therapy mode<br><input type="checkbox"/> Rehab mode – recalls zone focus<br><input type="checkbox"/> Custom – recalls all settings<br><input type="checkbox"/> Recovery Flush |       | X         |
| Appliance type  |       | X         |
| Power level   | X     | X         |
| Number of zones   | X     | X         |
| Rest time   | X     | X         |
| Brightness settings   |       | X         |
| <b>Time</b>   |       |           |
| Add time<br><input type="checkbox"/> Before treatment<br><input type="checkbox"/> During treatment  | X     | X         |
| Decrease time<br><input type="checkbox"/> Before treatment<br><input type="checkbox"/> During treatment   | X     | X         |
| Continuous mode   | X     | X         |
| Counter<br><input type="checkbox"/> Count down – 1 second increments<br><input type="checkbox"/> Count up (continuous mode) – 1 second increments                             | X     | X         |
| Compliance - Trip meter – reset by User   |       | X         |
| Chronometer Odometer – cannot be reset by User  |       | X         |
| <b>Pressure</b>   |       |           |
| Increase level<br><input type="checkbox"/> Before treatment<br><input type="checkbox"/> During treatment  | X     | X         |
| Decrease level<br><input type="checkbox"/> Before treatment<br><input type="checkbox"/> During treatment  | X     | X         |
| <b>Treatment mode – Can only be changed before treatment begins</b>   |       |           |
| NormaTec Pulse  | X     | X         |
| Sequential  | X     | X         |
| <b>Rest Time</b>  |       |           |
| View or change rest time – before treatment   | X     | X         |
| <b># of zones</b>   |       |           |
| Change number of zones – before treatment   | X     | X         |
| <b>Treatment</b>  |       |           |
| Starting  | X     | X         |
| Pause   | X     | X         |
| Un-pause  | X     | X         |

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| End – If timer reaches 0:00 <sup>00</sup> , treatment will continue until Rest period is reached. The user is given options to either:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Add time<br><input type="checkbox"/> Continue until cycle is finished<br><input type="checkbox"/> Quit   | X | X |
| <b>Battery charging</b>   |   |   |
| Displays battery level  | X | X |
| Displays when battery is charging   | X | X |
| <b>Power off</b>  |   |   |
| No treatment in process   | X | X |
| Treatment in process  | X | X |
| <b>Appliance type</b>   |   |   |
| Select appliance type – boot, arm, hip<br><i>Note: If hip appliance is selected, treatment mode defaults to 2-zone treatment</i>  |   | X |
| <b>Therapy mode</b>   |   |   |
| Recovery flush<br><input type="checkbox"/> Preset Pulse time / Pulse pressure values<br><input type="checkbox"/> Appliance type applicable – Boot, arm, hip   |   | X |
| Rehab<br><input type="checkbox"/> Preset Pulse time / Pulse pressure values<br><input type="checkbox"/> Leg appliance – Foot/ankle, calf, knee, lower quad, upper quad<br><input type="checkbox"/> Arm appliance – hand/wrist, forearm, elbow, bicep, shoulder<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hip appliance – Quadriceps, hip        |   | X |
| Custom Settings<br><input type="checkbox"/> Allows user to program NormaTec Pulse pressure and time values for each zone<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pressure range – 30-100 mmHg, user can select in 10mmHg increments<br><input type="checkbox"/> Time range – 15 seconds to 4 minutes, user can select in 15 second increments |   | X |
| <b>Display settings adjustment</b>  |   |   |
| Brightness controls   |   | X |

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**Predicate Device Comparison:**

The Pulse and Pulse Pro were compared to the predicates NormaTec MVP - K112890 and Figg PowerPlay model PPRT-01 - K122154 in the device comparison tables below.

| <b>Model Name<br/>510(k) Number</b>                      | <b>Subject Device K160608<br/>NormaTec Pulse and Pulse<br/>Pro</b>  | <b>Predicate Device<br/>K112890 NormaTec<br/>MVP</b>  | <b>Comment</b>  |
|--|---|---|---|
| <b>Manufacturer</b>                                      | NormaTec Industries   | NormaTec Industries   | Identical   |
| <b>Indications for use</b>                               | The NormaTec Pulse and Pulse Pro is an air pressure massager intended to temporarily relieve minor muscle aches and/or pains, and to temporarily increase circulation to the treated areas. | The NormaTec MVP is an air pressure massager intended to temporarily relieve minor muscle aches and/or pains, and to temporarily increase circulation to the treated areas. | Identical   |
| <b>Contraindications</b>                                 | Specified below   | Specified below   | Identical   |
| <b>Prescriptive or<br/>OTC</b>                           | OTC   | OTC   | Identical   |
| <b>Power Source(s)</b>                                   | 12 VDC via an IEC 60601-1 compliant power supply (100-240 VAC input)<br><br>Optional Integrated rechargeable battery  | 12 VDC via an IEC 60601-1 compliant power supply (100 - 240 VAC input)  | Pulse and Pulse Pro have an optional integral battery not required for function.              |
| <b>Software/Firmwar<br/>e/Microprocessor<br/>Control</b> | Microprocessor  | Analog  | Software provides identical control functionality, additionally provides visual feedback      |
| <b>Technology</b>  | Compressor and valve system which sequentially inflates cells of appliance  | Compressor and valve system which sequentially inflates cells of appliance  | Identical technology  |
| <b>Compliance with<br/>Voluntary<br/>standards</b>       | ES 60601-1, IEC 60601-1-2, IEC 60601-1-11   | IEC 60601-1, IEC 60601-1-2,   | Pulse / Pulse Pro complies with currently recognized version of 60601-1 and home use standard |
| <b>Device<br/>Pressure range</b>                         | 30-110 mmHg   | 30 - 110 mmHg   | Identical   |
| <b>Treatment Time</b>                                    | Stays on until the user turns it off or can be set up to turn off in a range of 10 mins to continuous   | Stays on until the user turns it off  | Added ability to time treatment   |



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| <b>Inflation/deflation cycle type</b>          | Sequential Gradient, Peristaltic and                    | Sequential Gradient, Peristaltic and Pulsing            | Identical  |
| <b>Appliance contact surface material</b>      | 200 denier nylon with a polyurethane laminate/extrusion | 200 denier nylon with a polyurethane laminate/extrusion | Identical  |
| <b>Number of Inflatable appliance segments</b> | 5 or less   | 5 or less   | Identical  |
| <b>Weight</b>                                  | 3.6 pounds (incl. battery)                              | 8 pounds  | Similar  |
| <b>Dimensions (W x H x D)</b>                  | 4" x 5" x 9"  | 11" x 6.5" x 7"   | Similar  |
| <b>Housing Materials and Constructions</b>     | Molded ABS enclosure (94V0)                             | Thermoplastic   | Similar  |
| <b>Patient contact</b>                         | Non-conductive appliances                               | Non-conductive appliances                               | Identical  |
| <b>Appliances</b>                              | Leg, Arm, Hip   | Leg, Arm  | Leg and Arm appliances are identical to 510(k) K112890.<br><br>A hip appliance is available as part of predicate K122154 |

| <b>Parameter</b>      | <b>Subject Device K160608<br/>NormaTec Pulse and Pulse Pro</b>                      | <b>Predicate K122154<br/>Power Play</b> | <b>Comment</b>  |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|
| <b>Treatment Time</b> | User controlled 10 minutes to 175 minutes or continuous –total time over 4 segments | 20 minutes max per port (segments)      | The Pulse and Pulse Pro allow the user to adjust the treatment time while the predicate device (K112154) time is fixed at 20 minutes. There is no impact to safety or effectiveness with this adjustable option and ability to select a longer treatment time with the hip appliance. |
| <b>Pressure Range</b> | 30-110 mmHG   | 30-70 mmHG                              | The Pulse and Pulse Pro have a broader pressure range than the predicate device (K112154) with maximum pressure of  |

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|   |   |   | <p>110mmHG. This pressure is the same maximum used on the Pulse and Pulse Pro Arm and Leg appliances (and predicate NormaTec MVP 510(k) K112890). As the hip area is a larger body mass than the arm and leg appendages, this higher pressure presents no compromises to safety or effectiveness to the user wearing the hip appliance.</p>   |
| <p><b>Inflation Cycle / Pulsing</b></p> | <p>Preinflate ,then either sequential or peristaltic Pulsing as selected by user<br/>-with adjustable rest time</p> | <p>Preinflate, rest, deflate then repeat the sequencing</p> | <p>The Pulse and Pulse Pro have 2 different massage patterns that can be selected by the user as well as having the option to adjust the rest time. The predicate device (K112154) has a predetermined cycle and rest-time. There is no impact of safety or effectiveness with the differences in the massage patterns between the NormaTec and the predicate’s hip appliances.</p> |

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### **Performance Testing**

#### **Bench:**

The device has been tested to ensure that it all requirements have been met, this includes:

- Testing of all controls
- Testing of all indicators
- Testing of battery state indicators
- Testing of performance
- Testing of hazard mitigations

The device has also been tested to the requirements of the following standards:

- AAMI / ANSI ES60601-1:2005 + A1: 2012 Medical electrical equipment - part 1: general requirements for basic safety and essential performance
- IEC 60601-1-2: 2007 Collateral standard: Electromagnetic Compatibility - Requirements and Tests
- IEC 60601-1-11: 2010, Collateral standard: requirements for medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems used in the home healthcare environment

#### **Animal:**

No animal testing was performed

#### **Clinical:**

No clinical testing was performed

### **Conclusion**

The NormaTec Pulse and Pulse Pro are substantially equivalent to the predicates in: indications for use, contraindications, patient population, environment of use, technology characteristics, materials, specifications / performance and compliance with international standards. Minor differences as detailed in the substantial equivalence table above do not raise questions of safety and effectiveness.

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