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Re: K162785
Trade/Device Name: Velox Nebulizer System
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 868.5630
Regulation Name: Nebulizer
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: CAF
Dated: March 8, 2017
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Dear Mr. Judge:

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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Enclosure

Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)
K162785

Device Name
Velox Nebulizer System

Indications for Use (Describe)

The Velox Nebulizer System is a handheld nebulizer that is to be used with patients for whom doctors have prescribed medication for nebulization. It is intended for adult and pediatric patients 4 years and older who can coordinate breathing through a mouthpiece, and may be used in hospitals, hospital-type facilities, nursing homes, sub-acute institutions and home environments.

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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2. Device Name

Name of Device: Velox™ Nebulizer System
Common or Usual Name: Nebulizer
Classification Name: Nebulizer, Direct Patient Interface (21 CFR 868.5630)
Regulatory Class: II
Product Code: CAF

There are no other variants or model numbers of this device.

3. Legally Marketed Predicate Device

The following predicate device has not been subject to a design-related recall.

a. Primary Predicate Device

eRapid® Nebulizer System, K112859

Additionally, the Philips Respironics I-Neb AAD System, cleared under K042991, is used in this 510(k) submission as a reference device.

4. Device Description

The Velox Nebulizer System is a portable, reusable, single-patient use, handheld electronic nebulizer that uses a piezo-driven, micro-perforated vibrating membrane technology to aerosolize liquid medications for the treatment or prophylaxis of respiratory diseases. It is to be used with adult and pediatric patients for whom doctors have prescribed medication, i.e. it is for prescription use only. It may be used in hospitals, hospital-type facilities, nursing homes, sub-acute institutions and home environments. It is provided non-sterile.

The device consists of two major components. One of these components is the nebulizer itself, which has the following materials in its construction: (1) polypropylene; (2); thermoplastic elastomer; (3) stainless steel; (4) piezo-ceramic; (5) capton; and, (6) medical grade adhesives. It contains, as subcomponents, the following: (1) a medication cap, (2) a medication reservoir, (3) an aerosol head, (4) an aerosol chamber; and, (5) a mouthpiece.

The second major component is a Controller that is attached to the Nebulizer for its operation. This component, the body of which is constructed of acrylonitrile butadiene styrene and thermoplastic elastomer, has the following principal internal subcomponents: (1)

a circuit board; (2) a USB connector; (3) a patient interface (on/off switch); and (4) AA battery housing.

The controller's functions are to; (1) conduct power pre-processing; (2) supervise, through incorporated software, the nebulizer's aerosol generation; and, (3) generate optical and acoustical feedback to the user on nebulization status and out-of-range parameters.

The incorporated software is device-specific and: (1) controls the power to the aerosol head, i.e., either to have the aerosol head active and generate aerosol, or shut-off; (2) controls optical and acoustical feedback to the user; and; (3) is not dependent for its operation on any external devices, such as a monitor, printer, keyboard or mouse.

Energy sources for the device are provided by: (1) connection to a mains power source, via an AC Power Supply; or, (2) disposable/rechargeable AA batteries.

The device has two associated accessories: (1) a cleaning aid, branded VELOXcare, that assists in debris removal from the membrane prior to cleaning; and, as heretofore noted, (2) an AC Power Supply to provide mains power to the device when desired or required.

5. Mechanism of Action

The Velox Nebulizer System's mode of action is permanent, i.e., once the on/off switch is on the controller pressed, permanent nebulization occurs until the medication is nebulized. There is no pause function. Further, there is no breath trigger or interrupter.

Nebulization is accomplished as follows. When the on/off button is pressed the controller sends an electrical charge to the aerosol head in the nebulizer. The charge alternation causes the piezo-actuator to vibrate. Vibration motion then builds up a positive pressure in the boundary layer of the liquid column, ejecting the fluid through the holes as droplets and creating the aerosol on the front side of the membrane. This aerosol is deposited vertically into the aerosol chamber. Once in the chamber it is available for inhalation by the patient.

The inhalation is via a breath-enhanced two-way valve system. During inhalation the inhalation valves open to allow fresh air to enter the aerosol chamber. This inhaled fresh air stream, takes the aerosolized medication, with minimum depositional loss, through the mouthpiece into the patient's respiratory tract. Note that, during inhalation, the exhalation valve on the mouthpiece is closed, preventing any aerosol dilution on its way to the patient. During exhalation, the inhalation valves close and the exhalation valve opens, driving the expired air out of the mouthpiece.

6. Indications for Use

The Velox Nebulizer System is a handheld nebulizer that is to be used with patients for whom doctors have prescribed medication for nebulization. It is intended for adult and pediatric patients 4 years and older who can coordinate breathing through a mouthpiece, and may be used in hospitals, hospital-type facilities, nursing homes, sub-acute institutions and home environments.

The foregoing statement for the subject device is identical to that of the predicate eRapid[®] device (with the exception of the "4 years and older who can coordinate breathing through a mouthpiece" restriction. The indications are substantially equivalent; the subject device indication statement simply provides a quantification of patient age, and clarification of the patient's breathing

coordination ability at that age). Further, both the subject and predicate device have the same intended use.

7. Comparison of Technological Characteristics with the Predicate Device

Table 1. Substantial Equivalence Comparison

| PRODUCT | VELOX NEBULIZER SYSTEM | ERAPID NEBULIZER SYSTEM |
|---|--|--|
| DEVICE CLASSIFICATION | CAF, Nebulizer (direct patient interface), 21 CFR 868.5630 | CAF, Nebulizer (direct patient interface), 21 CFR 868.5630 |
| 510K NO. | n/a | K112859 |
| MANUFACTURER (REG. NO.) | PARI Respiratory Equipment, Inc. (2954963) | PARI Respiratory Equipment, Inc. (2954963) |
| INTENDED USE | The Velox is a handheld nebulizer that will be used with patients for whom doctors have prescribed medication for nebulization. | The eRapid is a handheld nebulizer that will be used with patients for whom doctors have prescribed medication for nebulization. |
| Environment of use | Home care, nursing home, sub-acute institution, or hospital | Home care, nursing home, sub-acute institution, or hospital |
| Target Population | Adult and pediatric patients 4 years and older who can coordinate breathing through a mouthpiece | Adult and pediatric |
| Prescription Use | Rx Only | Rx Only |
| METHOD OF OPERATION | | |
| Technology Used | Micro-perforated vibrating membrane technology: active, vibrating membrane | Micro-perforated vibrating membrane technology: active, vibrating membrane |
| Aerosol Direction/Output | Vertically sprayed into aerosol chamber, cleared by inspiratory flow | Horizontally sprayed into aerosol chamber, cleared by inspiratory flow |
| Breath Enhanced/ Controlled/ Triggered | Breath enhanced two-way valve system. Permanent nebulization - no breath trigger or control. | Breath enhanced two-way valve system. Permanent nebulization - no breath trigger or control. |
| Fluid Delivery – Generator | Direct contact between aerosol head and fluid in sealed chamber (medication reservoir). | Direct contact between aerosol head and fluid in sealed chamber (medication reservoir). |
| Configuration | Controller component is connected directly to the nebulizer component. No connection cord for operation. | Nebulizer and controller are separate components, joined by a connection cord for operation. |
| Automatic Shut-off | Yes. Automatic shut-off when: (1) medication reservoir is empty; (2) out-of-range parameters are detected; or (3) programmed maximum operating time) is reached. | Yes. Automatic shut-off when: (1) medication reservoir is empty; (2) out-of-range parameters are detected; or (3) programmed maximum operating time) is reached. |

| PRODUCT | VELOX NEBULIZER SYSTEM | ERAPID NEBULIZER SYSTEM |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| DESIGN CAPACITIES | | |
| Medication Reservoir | 2.0 mL | 2.0 mL |
| Min. Fill | 6.0 mL | 6.0 mL |
| Max. Fill | Approx. 1.0 ml residue (depending on filled volume) | Approx. 1.0 ml residue (depending on filled volume) |
| Residue | | |
| PERFORMANCE | | |
| MMAD | Mass Median Aerodynamic Diameter of subject device is slightly lower than that of eRapid. | |
| GSD | Geometric Standard Deviation of subject device is substantially equivalent to that of eRapid | |
| RF | Respirable Fraction of subject device is slightly higher than that of eRapid | |
| RD | Respirable Dose of subject device is substantially equivalent to that of eRapid | |
| SOFTWARE | | |
| Level of Concern | Moderate | Moderate |
| Device-Specific | Yes | Yes |
| Dependent on External Devices | No | No |
| Function | <p>By continuous loop: (1) conducts power pre-processing; (2) supervises the nebulizer's aerosol generation; and (3) communicates to the user on the operational status of the device and out-of-range parameters. These functions are performed continuously until the medication reservoir is empty, out-of-range parameters are detected, or programmed maximum operating time (T_{max}) is reached.</p> <p>It should be noted however, that, unlike the predicate device's software, the subject device's software has: (1) no integral pause function that enables treatment interruption for user convenience; and, (2) no separate cleaning aid mode that allows the user to operate a cleaning aid.</p> | <p>By continuous loop: (1) conducts power pre-processing; (2) supervises the nebulizer's aerosol generation; and (3) communicates to the user on the operational status of the device and out-of-range parameters. These functions are performed continuously until the medication reservoir is empty, out-of-range parameters are detected, or programmed maximum operating time (T_{max}) is reached.</p> <p>It should be noted however, that the predicate device's software has: (1) an integral pause function that enables treatment interruption for user convenience; and, (2) a separate cleaning aid mode that allows the user to operate a cleaning aid.</p> |
| Audiovisual Signals | LED and tone sounds concerning battery level, operational status and failure mode. | LED, tone sounds and illuminated display showing graphical symbols concerning battery level, operational status and failure mode. |
| ELECTRICAL CONNECTION | | |

| PRODUCT | VELOX NEBULIZER SYSTEM | ERAPID NEBULIZER SYSTEM |
|--|---|---|
| Power Wattage | < 2.0 W under normal load | < 2.0 W under normal load |
| AC Power Supply | | |
| Input | 100-240 VAC / 50-60 Hz | 100-240 VAC / 50-60 Hz |
| Output | 5 V | 12 V |
| Battery Operation | | |
| AA Disposable | 3 x 1.5 V | 4 x 1.5 V |
| AA Rechargeable | 3 x 1.2 V | 4 x 1.2 V |
| Classification According To IEC 60601 - 1 | | |
| Type of electric shock protection (AC Power Supply) | Protection Class II | Protection Class II |
| Degree of protection from electric shock of the part used (nebulizer) | Type BF | Type BF |
| Degree of protection against water ingress in accordance with EN 60529 (IP rating) | IP-22 | No protection |
| Degree of protection when used in the presence of flammable mixtures of anesthetics with air, with oxygen, or with nitrous oxide | No protection | No protection |
| Operating Mode | Continuous operation | Continuous operation |
| NEBULIZER MATERIALS | | |
| Medication Cap | PP, TPE | PP, POM, TPE |
| Medication Reservoir | PP, TPE | — |
| Fluid Feed | N/A | PP, TPE |
| Headmount | N/A | PP, stainless steel |
| Housing | PP, TPE | N/A |
| Aerosol Head | Stainless steel, piezoceramic, polyamide film, adhesive | Stainless steel, piezoceramic, polyamide film, adhesive |

| PRODUCT | VELOX NEBULIZER SYSTEM | ERAPID NEBULIZER SYSTEM |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Inhalation Valve | TPE | Silicone |
| Aerosol chamber | PP | PP |
| Mouthpiece | PP | PP |
| Exhalation Valve | TPE | Silicone |
| MECHANICAL | | |
| Dimensions | | |
| Nebulizer (L /W /H) | 145 x 61 x 65 mm | 145 x 50 x 63 mm |
| Controller (H /Ø) | 70 x 61 x 92 mm | 40 mm x Ø 116 mm |
| Weight (approx.) | | |
| Handset w/o med. | 45g | 55g |
| System w/batt. | 285g | 300g |
| CLEANING / DISINFECTION | | |
| Cleaning | Cleaning with detergent and water. | Cleaning with detergent and water. |
| Disinfection | Disinfection with chemical (Control III) or thermal means (boiling). | Disinfection with chemical (Control III) or thermal means (boiling or autoclaving). |
| Cleaning Aid | PP/TPE accessory to mechanically rinse the aerosol head membrane pores by means of backwashing (back flushing). Device unique - not interchangeable with other PRE vibrational technology devices. | PP/TPE accessory to mechanically rinse the aerosol head membrane pores by means of backwashing (back flushing). Interchangeable with other PRE vibrational technology devices. |

a. Velox and Primary Predicate eRapid

Similarities are that both the Velox and the predicate eRapid device are identical in purpose, function, core technology and energy sources. That is, they are portable, reusable, single-patient use, handheld electronic nebulizers that use a piezo-driven, micro-perforated vibrating membrane technology to aerosolize liquid medications for the treatment or prophylaxis of respiratory diseases. They are to be used with adult and pediatric patients for whom doctors have prescribed medication, i.e. they are for prescription use only. They may be used in hospitals, hospital-type facilities, nursing homes, sub-acute institutions and home environments. Energy sources for the devices are provided by: (1) connection to a mains power source, via an AC Power Supply; or, (2) disposable/rechargeable AA batteries.

Both the Velox and the predicate eRapid employ breath enhanced, two-way valve systems. Further, both devices have permanent modes of action, i.e., once the on/off switch on the controller is pressed, permanent nebulization occurs until the medication is nebulized. Neither has any breath trigger or interrupter. Fluid delivery / generation for both devices is by direct contact between the aerosol head and the fluid in sealed medication reservoir.

System design and mode of action differ. Relative to design the Velox: (1) has fewer separate Nebulizer operating parts than those of the predicate eRapid; (2) has no connection cord linking its controller and nebulizer, as is the case with the predicate eRapid; (3) the direction of generated spray from the aerosol head to the aerosol chamber is vertical in the Velox, as opposed to horizontal in the predicate eRapid; and, (4) because the Velox's nebulization is fairly rapid, it has no pause function like that in the eRapid.

8. Performance Data

The following performance data were provided in support of an SE determination.

a. Biocompatibility Testing

The nebulizer's medication reservoir, aerosol head and tubing from the cup to the mouthpiece (aerosol chamber and inside of the mouthpiece) are permanent exposure, external-communicating devices (tissues, bone, dentin). The outside of the mouthpiece is a permanent exposure, surface-mucosal membrane contact component.

A biocompatibility evaluation for the Velox device was conducted in accordance with FDA's 2016 Guidance entitled, "Use of International Standard ISO 10993-1, "Biological evaluation of medical devices - Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process". The evaluation included the following tests: (1) *In-Vitro* Cytotoxicity, (2) Genotoxicity; (3) Implantation; (4) Irritation/Intracutaneous Reactivity; and, (5) Skin Sensitization/Delayed Type Hypersensitivity.

Under the parameters of the tests it is concluded that they are biocompatible, and that there are no new issues of safety regarding their use as intended.

Gas Path Testing

The emitted air quality of the PARI Velox device was evaluated to determine whether it may produce potentially harmful gases, VOCs, or particulates, as follows:

- 1) Ozone Gas Analysis
- 2) Carbon Monoxide and Carbon Dioxide Gas Analysis
- 3) Volatile Organic Compounds Analysis
- 4) Particular Matter Analysis (EPA PM2.5)

All air quality tests concluded that the subject device meets applicable standards and does not introduce new issues of safety pertaining to emitted air.

b. Electrical Safety and Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)

Electrical safety and EMC testing were conducted on the device's controller and AC power supply. Testing establishes that, with respect to electrical safety, the Velox meets

the applicable requirements of: (1) *IEC 60601-1*; (2) *IEC 60601-1-6*; (3) *IEC 60601-1-11*; and (4) *IEC 62366*. Further, EMC testing establishes that the Velox Nebulizer System and AC Power Supply meet the applicable requirements of *IEC 60601-1-2:2007*.

c. Software Verification and Validation Testing

Verification and validation testing was conducted in accordance with, and documentation was provided as recommended by FDA’s Guidance 337, “*Guidance for the Content of Premarket Submissions for Software Contained in Medical Devices*”. The software for this device is of a “moderate” level of concern, since a failure or latent flaw in the software could lead to a delay in delivery of appropriate medical care.

d. Aerosol Characterization

An aerosol characterization (particle size distribution) by next generation impaction was made with the Velox and the eRapid predicate. With respect to aerosol performance the Velox’s: (1) MMAD was slightly lower than that of the predicate eRapid; (2) GSD was very similar to that of the predicate eRapid; (3) RF (Respirable Fraction) was slightly higher than that of the predicate eRapid; and, (4) RD (Respirable Dose) was very similar compared to that of the predicate eRapid.

e. Simulated Use Test

Testing was made to determine if the Velox remained within specification over its envisioned lifetime usage of one year, using 365 nebulizations and 52 weekly disinfection cycles. The testing concluded that the device remained within those specifications and the nebulizer could be cleaned and disinfected effectively by use of the methods stated in the IFU.

f. Mechanical Testing

1) Packaging Drop Test

A drop test was performed, based on *EN/ISO 2248:1985, Complete, filled transport packages— Vertical impact test by dropping*, to determine that the design and strength of the Velox Nebulizer System sales/transport packaging is sufficient for transport, storage and sales. The testing concluded that the packaging is satisfactory for the envisioned uses.

2) Environmental Conditions Test

An environmental conditions test was conducted in order to define the device's optimal operating conditions of temperature and relative humidity for incorporation into the IFU. The testing established these environmental conditions.

g. Cleaning and Disinfection Validation

Microbiological efficiency control tests were conducted in order to validate the nebulizer cleaning and disinfection methods in the IFU. Testing involved validation of: (1) a manual cleaning method; (2) a chemical disinfection method; and, (3) two thermal disinfection methods. All testing concluded that the nebulizer could be cleaned and disinfected effectively by use of the methods stated in the IFU.

9. Conclusion

Based upon the foregoing the Velox™ Nebulizer System is substantially equivalent to the eRapid Nebulizer System, which is a legally marketed predicate device. As heretofore noted the Velox's indications for use and intended use are substantially equivalent to the predicate device. Further, the performance testing and comparison show that this device is as safe and as effective as the predicate device.