Matsushita Electric Works, Ltd.
c/o Ms. Carolann Kotula
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Re: K042818
   Trade Name: Panasonic Wrist Blood Pressure Monitor Models EW3003 and EW3037
   Regulation Number: 21 CFR 870.1130
   Regulation Name: Non-invasive Blood Pressure Measurement System
   Regulatory Class: II (two)
   Product Code: DXN
   Dated: December 23, 2004
   Received: December 27, 2004

Dear Ms. Kotula:

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.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), 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 898. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register.
Please be advised that FDA’s issuance of a substantial equivalence determination does not mean that FDA has made a determination that your device complies with other requirements of the Act or any Federal statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act’s requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing (21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); good manufacturing practice requirements as set forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820); and if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your Section 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), please contact the Office of Compliance at (240) 276-2190. Also, please note the regulation entitled, “Misbranding by reference to premarket notification” (21 CFR Part 807.97). You may obtain other general information on your responsibilities under the Act from the Division of Small Manufacturers, International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its Internet address http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/industry/support/index.html.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

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Enclosure
Device Name: Panasonic Wrist Blood Pressure Monitor, Models EW 3003 and EW 3037

Indications For Use: The Panasonic Wrist Blood Pressure Monitor, Models EW 3003 and EW 3037 are devices intended to measure the systolic and diastolic blood pressure and pulse rate of an adult individual by using a non-invasive technique in which an inflatable cuff is wrapped around the wrist.

For the EW 3037, display of Normal (green), Prehypertensive (yellow) or Hypertensive (orange) are based on blood pressure values classified in the paper: "JNC Express, The Seventh Report of the Joint National Committee on Prevention, Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Pressure", U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Pressure Institute, National High Blood Pressure Education Program, NIH Publication No 03-5233, May 2003. The display values are generally known, but not proven, to be an indicator of your blood pressure.

The EW 3037 is not intended to be a diagnostic device. Contact your physician if prehypertensive or hypertensive values are indicated.

Prescription Use __________ OR Over-The-Counter Use ______ (Per 21 CFR 801.109) (Optional Format 1-2-96)

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

(Division Sign-Off) Division of Cardiovascular Devices

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