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**ANDA 090898**

**APPROVAL LETTER**



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Food and Drug Administration  
Rockville, MD 20857

ANDA 090898

Paddock Laboratories, Inc.  
Attention: Wendy A. Saunders, RAC  
Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs  
3940 Quebec Avenue North  
Minneapolis, MN 55427

Dear Madam:

This is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application (ANDA) dated September 26, 2008, submitted pursuant to section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act), for Clobetasol Propionate Topical Solution USP, 0.05%, (Spray).

Reference is also made to the tentative approval letter issued by this office on June 29, 2010, and to your amendments dated January 24, May 31, and June 8, 2011.

We have completed the review of this ANDA and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug is safe and effective for use as recommended in the submitted labeling. Accordingly the ANDA is approved, effective on the date of this letter. The Division of Bioequivalence has determined your Clobetasol Propionate Topical Solution USP, 0.05%, (Spray), to be bioequivalent and, therefore, therapeutically equivalent to the reference listed drug (RLD), Clobex Spray, 0.05%, of Galderma Laboratories L.P. (Galderma).

The RLD upon which you have based your ANDA, Galderma's Clobex Spray, 0.05%, is subject to periods of patent protection. As noted in the agency's publication titled Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (the "Orange Book"), U.S. Patent Nos. 5,972,920 (the '920 patent) and 5,990,100 (the '100 patent) are scheduled to expire on February 12, 2018, and March 24, 2018, respectively.

Your ANDA contains paragraph IV certifications under section 505(j)(2)(A)(vii)(IV) of the Act stating that each patent is invalid, unenforceable, or will not be infringed by your manufacture, use, or sale of Clobetasol Propionate Topical

Solution USP, 0.05%, (Spray), under this ANDA. You have notified the agency that Paddock Laboratories, Inc. (Paddock) complied with the requirements of section 505(j)(2)(B) of the Act, and that litigation was initiated against Paddock for infringement of the '920 patent within the statutory 45-day period in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas [Galderma Laboratoies, L.P., Galderma S.A., and Dermalogix Partners, Inc. v. Paddock Laboratories, Inc., Civil Action No. 09-cv-00002-Y], and that the litigation was dismissed.

With respect to 180-day generic drug exclusivity, we note that Paddock was the first ANDA applicant to submit a substantially complete ANDA with paragraph IV certifications. Therefore, with this approval, Paddock is eligible for 180 days of generic drug exclusivity for Clobetasol Propionate Topical Solution USP, 0.05%, (Spray). This exclusivity, which is provided for under section 505(j)(5)(B)(iv) of the Act, will begin to run from the date of the commercial marketing identified in section 505(j)(5)(B)(iv). Please submit correspondence to this ANDA informing the agency of the date the exclusivity begins to run.

Under section 506A of the Act, certain changes in the conditions described in this ANDA require an approved supplemental application before the change may be made.

Please note that if FDA requires a Risk Evaluation & Mitigation Strategy (REMS) for a listed drug, an ANDA citing that listed drug also will be required to have a REMS. See section 505-1(i) of the Act.

Postmarketing reporting requirements for this ANDA are set forth in 21 CFR 314.80-81 and 314.98. The Office of Generic Drugs should be advised of any change in the marketing status of this drug.

Promotional materials may be submitted to FDA for comment prior to publication or dissemination. Please note that these submissions are voluntary. If you desire comments on proposed launch promotional materials with respect to compliance with applicable regulatory requirements, we recommend you submit, in draft or mock-up form, two copies of both the promotional materials and package insert directly to:

Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications  
5901-B Ammendale Road  
Beltsville, MD 20705

We call your attention to 21 CFR 314.81(b)(3) which requires that all promotional materials be submitted to the Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications with a completed Form FDA 2253 at the time of their initial use.

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at

<http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>, that is identical in content to the approved labeling (including the package insert, and any patient package insert and/or Medication Guide that may be required). Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry titled "SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As" at <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>. The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

Sincerely yours,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

Keith Webber, Ph.D.  
Deputy Director  
Office of Pharmaceutical Science  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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Deputy Director, Office of Generic Drugs  
for Keith Webber, Ph.D.