



NDA 14-691 / S-024

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Attention: Matthew Whitman  
Associate Director, U.S. Regulatory Affairs

Dear: Mr. Whitman:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated February 14, 2003 submitted under section 505(b) pursuant to section 505(b)2 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Alkeran (melphalan) Tablets.

This supplemental new drug application provides for revised text under PRECAUTIONS, Geriatric Use subsection.

We have completed our review of this application. This application is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the agreed upon labeling text, submitted February 14, 2003.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling text for the package insert.

Please submit the FPL electronically according to the guidance for industry titled Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format – NDA. Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available, in no case more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount ten of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated “FPL for approved supplement NDA 14-697 / S-024.” Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

If you issue a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a “Dear Health Care Professional” letter), we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2  
FDA  
5600 Fishers Lane  
Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Maureen Pelosi, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 594-5778.

Sincerely,

Richard Pazdur, M.D.  
Director  
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Enclosure: labeling

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