Dear Ms. Clark:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated March 29, 2006, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Toprol XL (metoprolol succinate) Extended Release Tablets 25, 50, 100, and 200 mg.

We acknowledge receipt of your submission dated July 6, 2006.

This supplemental new drug application provides for a non-branded formulation of metoprolol succinate extended release tablets in four strengths, 25, 50, 100, and 200 mg.

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

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert) and submitted labeling (immediate container labels submitted March 29, 2006).

The electronic labeling rule published December 11, 2003, (68 FR 69009) requires submission of labeling content in electronic format effective June 8, 2004. For additional information, consult the following guidances for industry regarding electronic submissions: Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDAs (January 1999) and Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - Content of Labeling (February 2004). The guidances specify that labeling is to be submitted in pdf format. To assist in our review, we request that labeling also be submitted in MS Word format. If formatted copies of all labeling pieces (i.e., package insert, patient package insert, container labels, and carton labels) are submitted electronically, labeling does not need to be submitted in paper.

In addition, submit three copies of the introductory promotional materials that you propose to use for this product. Submit all proposed materials in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Send one copy to this division and two copies of both the promotional materials and the package insert directly to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
If you choose to use a proprietary name for this product, the name and its use in the labels must conform to the specifications under 21 CFR 201.10 and 201.15. We recommend that you submit any proprietary name to the Agency for our review prior to its implementation.

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, please call Ms. Melissa Robb, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-1138.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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