



NDA 20-838/S-026

AstraZeneca LP
Attention: Ms. Cindy Lancaster
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Dear Ms. Lancaster:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated January 17, 2006, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Atacand (candesartan cilexetil) Tablets, 4, 8, 16, and 32 mg.

This “Changes Being Effected” supplemental new drug application provides for electronic final printed labeling revised as follows:

Under “**PRECAUTIONS, General**,” the following paragraph was added to the end of this subsection:

Major Surgery/Anesthesia— Hypotension may occur during major surgery and anesthesia in patients treated with angiotensin II receptor antagonists, including candesartan, due to blockade of the renin-angiotensin system. Very rarely, hypotension may be severe such that it may warrant the use of intravenous fluids and/or vasopressors.

We have completed our review of this supplemental new drug application. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the electronic labeling submitted on January 17, 2006. 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
Food and Drug Administration
WO 22, Room 4447
10903 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Sincerely,

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