Dear Mr. Graham:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated November 17, 2005, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Plavix (clopidogrel bisulfate) 75 mg Tablets.

We acknowledge receipt of your electronic submissions dated December 13, 2005 and January 3, 10, March 22, April 25, May 16, July 5(3) and 14, and August 4 and 7, 2006.

This supplemental new drug application provides for the following new use of Plavix (clopidogrel bisulfate) 75 mg tablets:

For patients with ST-segment elevation acute myocardial infarction, Plavix has been shown to reduce the rate of death from any cause and the rate of a combined endpoint of death, reinfarction or stroke. This benefit is not known to pertain to patients who receive primary angioplasty.

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 submitted electronically on August 16, 2006.

Please submit the FPL electronically according to the guidance for industry entitled, “Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format – NDA.”

All applications for new active ingredients, new dosage forms, new indications, new routes of administration, and new dosing regimens are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived or deferred. Please refer to our letter dated October 4, 2005 waiving the pediatric study requirement for this application.

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...
the Division of Cardiovascular and Renal Products and two copies of both the promotional materials
and the 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 20705-1266

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 call:

    Ms. Meg Pease-Fye, M.S.
    Regulatory Project Manager
    (301) 796-1130

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Norman Stockbridge, M.D., Ph.D.
Director
Division of Cardiovascular and Renal Products
Office of Drug Evaluation I
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

Enclosure: approved agreed-upon labeling
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