

Food and Drug Administration Silver Spring MD 20993

NDA 18-817/S-021

APPROVAL LETTER

Pfizer Global Pharmaceuticals c/o G. D. Searle, LLC Attention: Kathleen Collins Manager, Worldwide Regulatory Strategy 235 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street New York, NY 10017

Dear Ms. Collins:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated May 8, 2009, received May 8, 2009, submitted under section 505(b)(l) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Calan (verapamil hydrochloride) Tablets.

This "Changes Being Effected" supplemental new drug application provides for changes to the **PRECAUTIONS/Drug interactions** section of the label. The following changes have been made:

- 1. In **PRECAUTIONS/Drug interactions**, the section titled "**Other**" has been changed to "**Other agents**."
- 2. In **PRECAUTIONS/Drug interactions/Other agents**, the following has been added:

*Telithromycin:* Hypotension and bradyarrhythmias have been observed in patients receiving concurrent telithromycin, an antibiotic in the ketolide class.

3. Additional minor editorial changes have been made throughout the label.

We have completed our review of this application and it is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the electronic labeling (SPL) submitted May 8, 2009.

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 Suite 12B05 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, please call:

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Sincerely,

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