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## SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL RELEASE REMS REQUIREMENT

Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc. Attention: Virginie Bryan Associate Director, Commercial Regulatory Affairs 340 Kingsland Street Nutley, NJ 07110

Dear Ms. Bryan:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated November 1, 2011, received November 2, 2011, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Klonopin (clonazepam) tablets and rapidly disintegrating tablets.

We acknowledge receipt of your risk evaluation and mitigation strategy (REMS) assessment dated November 2, 2011.

This supplemental new drug application proposes to eliminate the requirement for the approved Klonopin (clonazepam) REMS.

We have completed our review of this supplemental application. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter.

## RISK EVALUATION AND MITIGATION STRATEGY REQUIREMENTS

The REMS for Klonopin (clonazepam) was originally approved on September 1, 2010. The REMS consists of a Medication Guide and a timetable for submission of assessments of the REMS.

You propose that FDA no longer require a REMS for Klonopin (clonazepam).

We have determined that maintaining the Medication Guide as part of the approved labeling is adequate to address the serious and significant public health concern and meets the standard in 21 CFR 208.1. Therefore, it is no longer necessary to include the Medication Guide as an element of the approved REMS to ensure that the benefits of Klonopin (clonazepam) outweigh its risks.

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Therefore, we agree with your proposal and a REMS for Klonopin (clonazepam) is no longer required.

We remind you that the Medication Guide will continue to be part of the approved labeling in accordance with 21 CFR 208.

## **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

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 Su-Lin Sun, PharmD, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-0036.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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