## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

ANDA 091294

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application (ANDA) dated January 28, 2009, submitted pursuant to section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act), for Abacavir Tablets USP, 300 mg.

Reference is also made to the tentative approval issued by this office on February 15, 2011, and to your amendments dated August 17, 2011; and April 5, April 24, May 14, May 25, and June 8, 2012.

We have completed the review of this ANDA and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug is safe and effective for use as recommended in the submitted labeling. Accordingly the ANDA is approved, effective on the date of this letter. The Division of Bioequivalence has determined your Abacavir Tablets USP, 300 mg, to be bioequivalent and, therefore, therapeutically equivalent to the reference listed drug (RLD), Ziagen Tablets, 300 mg, of VIIV Healthcare Company (VIIV). Your dissolution testing should be incorporated into the stability and quality control program using the same method proposed in your ANDA.

The RLD upon which you have based your ANDA, VIIV's Ziagen Tablets, is subject to an unexpired period of patent protection. As noted in the agency's publication titled <a href="Approved Drug">Approved Drug</a>
<a href="Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations">Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations</a> (the "Orange Book"), U.S. Patent No. 6,294,540 (the '540 patent) is scheduled to expire (with pediatric exclusivity added) on November 14, 2018.

Your ANDA contains a paragraph IV certification under section 505(j)(2)(A)(vii)(IV) of the Act stating that the '540 patent is invalid, unenforceable, or will not be infringed by your manufacture, use, or sale of Abacavir Sulfate Tablets USP, 300 mg, under this ANDA. You have notified the agency that Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Inc (Mylan), complied with the requirements of section 505(j)(2)(B) of the Act, and that no action for infringement was brought against Mylan within the statutory 45-day period, which action would have resulted in a 30-month stay under section 505(j)(5)(B)(iii).

With respect to 180-day generic drug exclusivity, we note that Mylan was the first ANDA applicant to submit a substantially complete ANDA with a paragraph IV certification to the '540 patent. Therefore, with this approval, Mylan is eligible for 180 days of generic drug exclusivity for Abacavir Tablets USP, 300 mg. This exclusivity, which is provided for under section 505(j)(5)(B)(iv) of the Act, will begin to run from the date of the commercial marketing identified in section 505(j)(5)(B)(iv). Please submit correspondence to this ANDA informing the agency of the date the exclusivity begins to run.

Under section 506A of the Act, certain changes in the conditions described in this ANDA require an approved supplemental application before the change may be made.

Please note that if FDA requires a Risk Evaluation & Mitigation Strategy (REMS) for a listed drug, an ANDA citing that listed drug also will be required to have a REMS. See section 505-1(i) of the Act.

Postmarketing reporting requirements for this ANDA are set forth in 21 CFR 314.80-81 and 314.98. The Office of Generic Drugs should be advised of any change in the marketing status of this drug.

Promotional materials may be submitted to FDA for comment prior to publication or dissemination. Please note that these submissions are voluntary. If you desire comments on proposed launch promotional materials with respect to compliance with applicable regulatory requirements, we recommend you submit, in draft or mock-up form, two copies of both the promotional materials and package insert directly to:

Food and Drug Administration Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Office of Prescription Drug Promotion 5901-B Ammendale Road Beltsville, MD 20705 We call your attention to 21 CFR 314.81(b)(3) which requires that all promotional materials be submitted to the Office of Prescription Drug Promotion with a completed Form FDA 2253 at the time of their initial use.

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at

http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm, that is identical in content to the approved labeling (including the package insert, and any patient package insert and/or Medication Guide that may be required). Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry titled "SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Os and As" at

http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/U CM072392.pdf. The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

Sincerely yours,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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