

Food and Drug Administration Silver Spring MD 20993

BLA 125031/142

## SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Amgen, Inc. Attention: Monica Sandberg, Ph.D., RAC Manager, Regulatory Affairs One Amgen Center Drive Mail Stop 17-2-B Thousand Oaks, CA 91320-1799

Dear Dr. Sandberg:

Please refer to your Supplemental Biologics License Application (sBLA), dated March 1, 2012, received March 2, 2012, submitted under section 351 of the Public Health Service Act for Neulasta® (pegfilgrastim).

This Prior Approval labeling supplement to your biologics license application proposes to update the US Patient Package Insert (USPPI) regarding the safe use of Neulasta®. Specifically, the section entitled "How to Prepare for Injection of Neulasta" was updated.

We have completed our review of this supplemental application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed, agreed-upon labeling text.

## **CONTENT OF LABELING**

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, via the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 601.14(b)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm">http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm</a>, that is identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, text for the patient package insert) and include the labeling changes proposed in any pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements. Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry titled "SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As" at <a href="http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf">http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf</a>. For administrative purposes, please designate this submission "Product Correspondence – Final SPL for approved BLA STN 125031/142."

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications for this BLA, including pending "Changes Being Effected" (CBE) supplements, for which FDA has not yet issued an

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action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 601.12(f)] in MS Word format that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application.

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

## **REQUIRED PEDIATRIC ASSESSMENTS**

Under the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA) (21 U.S.C. 355c), all applications for new active ingredients, new indications, new dosage forms, new dosing regimens, or new routes of administration are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product for the claimed indication(s) in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived, deferred, or inapplicable.

Because none of these criteria apply to your application, you are exempt from this requirement.

## **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved BLA (in 21 CFR 600.80 and in 21 CFR 600.81).

If you have any questions, call Lara Akinsanya, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-9634.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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**ENCLOSURE:** 

Content of Labeling

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