

Food and Drug Administration Silver Spring MD 20993

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SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals Inc. Attention: Vicki Chen Associate Director, Global Regulatory Affairs 100 Bayer Boulevard P.O. Box 915 Whippany, NJ 07981-0915

Dear Ms. Chen:

Please refer to your Supplemental Biologics License Application (sBLA), dated September 24, 2013, received September 25, 2013, submitted under section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act for Betaseron (Interferon beta-1b).

We acknowledge receipt of your amendment dated November 27, 2013.

This "Prior Approval" supplemental biologics application proposes the removal of the aspiration step from the Betaseron Instructions for Use.

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 http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm, that is identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert and Medication Guide) 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 http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf.

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

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

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 Hamet Touré, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-7534.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Billy Dunn, MD Acting Director Division of Neurology Products Office of Drug Evaluation I Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURE:

Content of Labeling

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WILLIAM H Dunn 01/28/2014