Dear Mr. Sattarzadeh:

Please refer to your New Drug Application (NDA) dated September 19, 2013, received September 20, 2013, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA), for Cerdelga (eliglustat).

We acknowledge receipt of your amendments dated September 27, 2013; October 25, 2013; November 20 and 27, 2013; December 6, 9(2), 12, 13, 16, and 20, 2013; January 10, 16, 17, and 27, 2014; February 7, 19, 21, 24, and 25, 2014; March 7, 14, and 28, 2014; April 25 and 29, 2014; May 5, 8, 9, and 16, 2014; June 16, 18, 25, and 26, 2014; July 2, 15, and 23, 2014; and August 11 and 18, 2014.

This new drug application provides for the use of Cerdelga (eliglustat) capsules for the long-term treatment of adult patients with Gaucher disease type 1 who are CYP2D6 extensive metabolizers (EMs), intermediate metabolizers (IMs), or poor metabolizers (PMs) as detected by an FDA-cleared test.

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

We note that your August 18, 2014, submission includes final printed labeling (FPL) for your package insert and Medication Guide. We have not reviewed this FPL. You are responsible for assuring that the wording in this printed labeling is identical to that of the approved content of labeling in the structured product labeling (SPL) format.
CONTENT OF LABELING

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), as described at http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm. Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert and Medication Guide). Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As, available at http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf.

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

CARTON AND IMMEDIATE CONTAINER LABELS

Submit final printed carton and immediate container labels that are identical to carton and immediate container labels submitted on July 23, 2014, as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days after they are printed. Please submit these labels electronically according to the guidance for industry Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format – Human Pharmaceutical Product Applications and Related Submissions Using the eCTD Specifications (June 2008). Alternatively, you may submit 12 paper copies, with 6 of the copies individually mounted on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, designate this submission “Final Printed Carton and Container Labels for approved NDA 205494.” Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

Marketing the product(s) with FPL that is not identical to the approved labeling text may render the product misbranded and an unapproved new drug.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Your application for eliglustat was not referred to an FDA advisory committee because the application did not raise significant public health questions on the role of eliglustat in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of a disease; outside expertise was not necessary; and there were no controversial issues that would benefit from advisory committee discussion.
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 this drug product for this indication has an orphan drug designation, you are exempt from this requirement.

POSTMARKETING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 505(o)

Section 505(o)(3) of the FDCA authorizes FDA to require holders of approved drug and biological product applications to conduct postmarketing studies and clinical trials for certain purposes, if FDA makes certain findings required by the statute.

We have determined that an analysis of spontaneous postmarketing adverse events reported under subsection 505(k)(1) of the FDCA will not be sufficient to assess the known serious risk of high systemic exposure to eliglustat in patients with renal or hepatic impairment that could result in prolongation of PR and QTc cardiac intervals and the potential for cardiac arrhythmias.

Furthermore, the new pharmacovigilance system that FDA is required to establish under section 505(k)(3) of the FDCA will not be sufficient to assess this serious risk.

Finally, we have determined that only a clinical trial (rather than a nonclinical or observational study) will be sufficient to assess this serious risk.

Therefore, based on appropriate scientific data, FDA has determined that you are required to conduct the following:

2766-1 Conduct a clinical trial to evaluate the effect of renal impairment on eliglustat pharmacokinetics. A reduced design may be used.

The timetable you submitted on August 11, 2014, states that you will conduct this trial according to the following schedule:

- Final Protocol Submission: 06/15
- Trial Completion: 01/17
- Final Report Submission: 07/17
Conduct a clinical trial to evaluate the effects of hepatic impairment on eliglustat pharmacokinetics.

The timetable you submitted on August 11, 2014, states that you will conduct this trial according to the following schedule:

- Final Protocol Submission: 06/15
- Trial Completion: 01/17
- Final Report Submission: 07/17

Submit the protocols to your IND 067589, with a cross-reference letter to this NDA. Submit all final reports to your NDA. Prominently identify the submission with the following wording in bold capital letters at the top of the first page of the submission, as appropriate: “Required Postmarketing Protocol Under 505(o)”, “Required Postmarketing Final Report Under 505(o)”, “Required Postmarketing Correspondence Under 505(o)”. 

Section 505(o)(3)(E)(ii) of the FDCA requires you to report periodically on the status of any study or clinical trial required under this section. This section also requires you to periodically report to FDA on the status of any study or clinical trial otherwise undertaken to investigate a safety issue. Section 506B of the FDCA, as well as 21 CFR 314.81(b)(2)(vii) requires you to report annually on the status of any postmarketing commitments or required studies or clinical trials.

FDA will consider the submission of your annual report under section 506B and 21 CFR 314.81(b)(2)(vii) to satisfy the periodic reporting requirement under section 505(o)(3)(E)(ii) provided that you include the elements listed in 505(o) and 21 CFR 314.81(b)(2)(vii). We remind you that to comply with 505(o), your annual report must also include a report on the status of any study or clinical trial otherwise undertaken to investigate a safety issue. Failure to submit an annual report for studies or clinical trials required under 505(o) on the date required will be considered a violation of FDCA section 505(o)(3)(E)(ii) and could result in enforcement action.

POSTMARKETING COMMITMENTS NOT SUBJECT TO THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTION 506B

We remind you of your postmarketing commitment:

- Develop 21-mg and/or 42-mg dosage strength(s) to accommodate various situations requiring further dosage adjustments. Conduct a single- and multiple-dose pharmacokinetics study in healthy subjects to characterize dose proportionality of 21, 42, and 84 mg dose strengths.

The timetable you submitted on August 11, 2014, states that you will conduct this study according to the following schedule:
Final Report Submission: 12/18

Under 21 CFR 314.81(b)(2)(vii) and 314.81(b)(2)(viii), include a status summary of each commitment in your annual report to this NDA. The status summary should include expected summary completion and final report submission dates, any changes in plans since the last annual report, and, for clinical studies/trials, number of patients entered into each study/trial. All submissions, including supplements, relating to these postmarketing commitments should be prominently labeled “Postmarketing Commitment Protocol,” “Postmarketing Commitment Final Report,” or “Postmarketing Commitment Correspondence.”

**PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS**

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. To do so, submit, in triplicate, a cover letter requesting advisory comments, the proposed materials in draft or mock-up form with annotated references, and the package insert to:

Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Office of Prescription Drug Promotion  
5901-B Ammendale Road  
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

As required under 21 CFR 314.81(b)(3)(i), you must submit final promotional materials, and the package insert, at the time of initial dissemination or publication, accompanied by a Form FDA 2253. Form FDA 2253 is available at [http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf](http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf). Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at [http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf](http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf). For more information about submission of promotional materials to the Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP), see [http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm](http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm).

**REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

**MEDWATCH-TO-MANUFACTURER PROGRAM**

The MedWatch-to-Manufacturer Program provides manufacturers with copies of serious adverse event reports that are received directly by the FDA. New molecular entities and important new biologics qualify for inclusion for three years after approval. Your firm is eligible to receive copies of reports for this product. To participate in the program, please see the enrollment instructions and program description details at [http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/HowToReport/ucm166910.htm](http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/HowToReport/ucm166910.htm).
POST APPROVAL FEEDBACK MEETING

New molecular entities and new biologics qualify for a post approval feedback meeting. Such meetings are used to discuss the quality of the application and to evaluate the communication process during drug development and marketing application review. The purpose is to learn from successful aspects of the review process and to identify areas that could benefit from improvement. If you would like to have such a meeting with us, call the Regulatory Project Manager for this application.

PDUFA V APPLICANT INTERVIEW

FDA has contracted with Eastern Research Group, Inc. (ERG) to conduct an independent interim and final assessment of the Program for Enhanced Review Transparency and Communication for NME NDAs and Original BLAs under PDUFA V (‘the Program’). The PDUFA V Commitment Letter states that these assessments will include interviews with applicants following FDA action on applications reviewed in the Program. For this purpose, first-cycle actions include approvals, complete responses, and withdrawals after filing. The purpose of the interview is to better understand applicant experiences with the Program and its ability to improve transparency and communication during FDA review.

ERG will contact you to schedule a PDUFA V applicant interview and provide specifics about the interview process. Your responses during the interview will be confidential with respect to the FDA review team. ERG has signed a non-disclosure agreement and will not disclose any identifying information to anyone outside their project team. They will report only anonymized results and findings in the interim and final assessments. Members of the FDA review team will be interviewed by ERG separately. While your participation in the interview is voluntary, your feedback will be helpful to these assessments.

If you have any questions, call Jessica Benjamin, Senior Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-3924.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Amy G. Egan, M.D., M.P.H.
Deputy Director (Acting)
Office of Drug Evaluation III
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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- Carton and Container Labeling
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08/19/2014