



NDA 22276/S-008

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL**

Exela Pharma Sciences, LLC.  
Attention: Jonathan E. Sterling  
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Dear Mr. Sterling:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated March 27, 2013, received March 29, 2013, submitted pursuant to section 505(b)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Nicardipine Hydrochloride Injectable 0.1mg/mL and 0.2 mg/mL.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendment dated December 04, 2015 which constituted a complete response to our July 25, 2013 action letter, and your amendment dated April 04, 2016 which provided updated labeling.

This supplemental new drug application proposes new premixed formulations; Nicardipine Hydrochloride Premixed Injection, 0.1mg/mL and 0.2mg/mL, in 0.9% Sodium Chloride.

**APPROVAL & LABELING**

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.

We have the following additional comment:

**PRODUCT QUALITY MICROBIOLOGY**

It is acknowledged that the endotoxin limit listed in the release specification for Nicardipine Hydrochloride Premixed Injection has been lowered to NMT (b) (4) EU/mg; however the endotoxin limit in the drug product stability specification was not lowered and remains at (b) (4) EU/mg. The stability endotoxin limit should be lowered to NM (b) (4) EU/mg.

**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), with the addition of any labeling changes in pending “Changes Being Effectuated” (CBE) supplements, as well as annual reportable changes not included in the enclosed labeling.

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/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications that includes labeling changes for this NDA, including CBE supplements for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)(1)(i)] in MS Word format, that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application, as well as annual reportable changes and annotate each change. To facilitate review of your submission, provide a highlighted or marked-up copy that shows all changes, as well as a clean Microsoft Word version. The marked-up copy should provide appropriate annotations, including supplement number(s) and annual report date(s).

### **CARTON AND IMMEDIATE CONTAINER LABELS**

We acknowledge your December 04, 2015 submission containing final printed carton and container labels.

### **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, please contact Sabry Soukehal, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (240) 402-6187.

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

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### **ENCLOSURE(S):**

Agreed upon labeling text  
Carton and Container Labeling

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