Dear Ms. Chirdo:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated and received August 2, 2016, and your amendments, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Nexium 24HR (esomeprazole magnesium) delayed-release capsules, 20 mg.

This “Prior Approval” sNDA provides for the following changes:

- Adds a corresponding NDC number, where applicable.
- Adds a specific time range (Weekdays 9AM to 5PM EST) to Questions or Comments? in Drug Facts.
- Updates the Statement of Identity (SOI) on the principal display panel (PDP) to reflect esomeprazole magnesium delayed-release capsules 20 mg/acid reducer.
- Updates the design colors and tints/graphics on the PDP.
- Adds a colored bar with the text “Capsules” on the PDP to highlight the dosage form.
- Updates the year on the carton to © 2016.
- Rearranges the text on the PDP.
- Updates the easy-open cap language and symbol.

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 agreed-upon labeling text.

If you request to market other package configurations in the future (e.g., bottles containing greater than 14 capsules, package sizes greater than 42-count), we will expect submission of a prior approval supplement that includes data to adequately demonstrate appropriate consumer comprehension of limitations of use. We encourage you to contact us about the content and format of such a supplement prior to submission.
LABELING

Submit final printed labeling (FPL) as soon as they are available, but no more than 30 days after they are printed. The FPL must be identical to the 2-count immediate container (blister), 2-count sample blister carton, 14-count immediate container (bottle), 14-, 28- and 42-count cartons, 14-, 28-, and 42-count club cartons with backer card, 14-count immediate container (bottle) with non-child-resistant cap, and the 28-count non-child-resistant carton labels submitted on August 2, 2016; and must be in the “Drug Facts” format (21 CFR 201.66), where applicable.

The FPL should be submitted electronically according to the guidance for industry titled “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 Labeling for approved NDA 204655/S-007.” Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

DRUG REGISTRATION AND LISTING

All drug establishment registration and drug listing information is to be submitted to FDA electronically, via the FDA automated system for processing structured product labeling (SPL) files (eLIST). At the time that you submit your final printed labeling (FPL), the content of labeling (Drug Facts) should be submitted in SPL format as described at http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm. 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. In addition, representative container or carton labeling, whichever includes Drug Facts, (where differences exist only in the quantity of contents statement) should be submitted as a JPG file.

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 NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).
If you have any questions, call Alina Salvatore, Regulatory Project Manager, at (240) 402-0379.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Theresa Michele, MD
Director
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Office of Drug Evaluation IV
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

ENCLOSURES:  
Carton and Container Labeling
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02/03/2017