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*APPLICATION NUMBER:*

**214439Orig1s000**

**PRODUCT QUALITY REVIEW(S)**

# NDA 214439 Resubmission

## NORLIQVA (Amlodipine) Oral Solution

### OPQ Integrated Quality Review

#### Recommendation: Approval

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| <b>Drug Name/Dosage Form</b>    | NORLIQVA (amlodipine) oral solution                                     |
| <b>Strength</b>                 | 1.0 mg/mL of amlodipine (equivalent to 1.385 mg of amlodipine besylate) |
| <b>Route of Administration</b>  | Oral solution   |
| <b>Indication</b>               | Indicated for the treatment of hypertension and chronic stable angina   |
| <b>Rx/OTC Dispensed</b>         | Rx  |
| <b>Applicant</b>                | CMP Development LLC   |
| <b>Submissions (s) Reviewed</b> | NDA 214439 and all submitted CMC amendments                             |

#### Quality Review Team

| DISCIPLINE   | REVIEWER         | BRANCH/DIVISION        |
|--|------------------|------------------------|
| Drug Substance                                       | Ben Zhang        | OPQ/ONDP/DNDAPI/NDB3   |
| Drug Product, Labeling, and Environmental Assessment | Akm Khairuzzaman | OPQ/ONDP/DNDPIII/NDPB5 |
| Process and Facility                                 | Upasana Sahu     | OPQ/OPMA/DPMAIII/PMB7  |
| Biopharmaceutics                                     | N/A              | N/A                    |
| Microbiology   | Eric Adeeku      | OPQ/OPMA/DMAI/MAB1     |
| Regulatory Business Process Manager                  | Grafton Adams    | OPQ/OPRO/DRBPMI/RBPMB2 |
| Application Technical Lead                           | Theodore Carver  | OPQ/ONDP/DNDPIII/NDPB5 |

## Executive Summary

### I. Recommendations

#### A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

The Office of Pharmaceutical Quality Review team has assessed NDA 214439 with respect to Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Controls (CMC) and has determined that it meets all applicable standards to support the identity, strength, quality, and purity that it purports to have. As such, OPQ recommends approval of this NDA from a quality perspective.

#### B. Recommendation on Post-Marketing Commitments (PMCs), Agreements, and/or Risk Management Steps, if Applicable

Not applicable.

### II. Quality Assessment Summary

**A. Background:** The Applicant, CMP Development LLC, seeks U.S. marketing approval for NORLIQVA (amlodipine) under the provisions of Section 505(b)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetics Act. The submission relies on the FDA's previous findings of safety and effectiveness for the Listed Drug (LD) Norvasc® (amlodipine) tablets (NDA 019787, approved July 31, 1992), and in-vivo bioavailability studies. Amlodipine is a dihydropyridine calcium antagonist (calcium ion antagonist or slow-channel blocker) that inhibits the transmembrane influx of calcium ions into vascular smooth muscle and cardiac muscle and is indicated for treatment of hypertension and chronic stable angina. The amlodipine oral suspension was developed for administration to patients with difficulty swallowing (dysphagia). In the previous integrated quality assessment of this NDA, it was not deemed approvable due to deficiencies in two manufacturing facilities (b) (4). The quality assessment of this resubmission of NDA 214439 included reviews of the drug substance, drug product, quality labeling, and manufacturing and facilities.

**B. Drug Substance (Amlodipine Besylate, USP):** Dr. Ben Zhang reviewed the drug substance information and found it to be adequate. In the last review cycle, there were no unresolved deficiencies for the drug substance. In the current resubmission, the Applicant submitted updates to analytical procedures and verification information, and Dr. Zhang reviewed these and found them to be adequate. The NDA references DMF (b) (4) for CMC information for (b) (4). A new amendment to this DMF was submitted since the last review, and Dr. Zhang reviewed this amendment and found that the DMF remains adequate to support manufacturing of the drug substance. The drug substance retest period is (b) (4) months when stored according to the manufacturer's stated storage conditions.

**C. Drug Product (Amlodipine Oral Solution):** Dr. Akm Khairuzzaman reviewed the drug product information and found it to be adequate. In the current resubmission, the only new

information for the drug product concerned testing for (b) (4) (b) (4) these analytical procedures were transferred to a new facility. Dr. Khairuzzaman reviewed these procedures and found them to be adequate. The drug product information remains adequate to support approval.

**C.1. Manufacturing:** Dr. Upasana Sahu conducted the review of the NDA with respect to the drug product manufacturing process and controls and found that this information remains adequate. The drug manufacturing process includes the following steps: (b) (4) (b) (4) In the previous review, an additional comment to the Applicant requested that the Applicant (b) (4) (b) (4) (b) (4) which were found to be adequately supported by data provided by the Applicant. Overall, the description of the commercial process, controls, unit operations, and incoming materials were found to be adequate.

**C.2. Microbiological Aspects:** Dr. Eric Adeeku conducted the microbiology review, and, since the Applicant submitted no new information related to microbiology, conclude that the NDA remains adequate from the microbiology perspective without need for further review, including antimicrobial validation and testing.

**C.3. Biopharmaceutics Aspects:** Since the drug product is an oral solution, a biopharmaceutics review is not applicable for this submission.

### III. Stability, Storage Conditions and Expiration Date

Dr. Akm Khairuzzaman reviewed the long-term stability studies and other supporting information for the drug product. The stability data remain adequate to support an expiration period of 24 months for the proposed product when stored at 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F) in the commercial packaging. Excursions can be permitted to 15°C to 30°C (59°F to 86°F).

### IV. Quality Labeling

Dr. Akm Khairuzzaman reviewed the product quality labeling and found it to be acceptable. Final revisions to the labeling included revising the non-proprietary name in the prescribing information to conform to the container/closure labeling (amlodipine) instead of amlodipine (b) (4), which is accordance with FDA policy with respect to naming of active moieties, for this dosage form. This decision was discussed with DMEPA prior to the final recommendation.

### V. Assessment of Manufacturing Facilities

Dr. Upasana Sahu conducted the review of the manufacturing facilities. The previous review of NDA 214439 concluded that NDA 214439 could not be approved until deficiencies in two facilities, (b) (4), were corrected. The Applicant withdrew (b) (4), a drug substance testing facility, and

transferred its responsibilities to [REDACTED] (b) (4) which were found to be in compliance and adequate to conduct this testing.

The drug product manufacturing facility, [REDACTED] (b) (4) was deemed high risk because the facility has never been inspected before by FDA, and a previous 704(a)(4) records review by FDA identified cGMP deficiencies. After review of the firm's responses to deficiencies identified by FDA, FDA determined that a preapproval inspection of this facility was necessary to support approval. An on-site pre-approval inspection (PAI) was conducted from 1/27/2022 to 02/02/2022. The inspection was classified as VAI, and the facility was approved based on this PAI and the district office recommendation. The manufacturing review concluded that all facilities are adequate to support approval of this NDA. For the tabulated status of all facilities, see the Facilities Table provided on page 3 of the Manufacturing Integrated Assessment.

## VI. Environmental Assessment

The applicant's claim of categorical exclusion from the environmental assessment requirements, under 21 CFR 314.50 (d) (1) (iii), remains acceptable.

## VII. Life Cycle Knowledge Information Not applicable

### OVERALL ASSESSMENT AND SIGNATURES: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Application Technical Lead (ATL) Assessment and Signature:

At present, there are no outstanding deficiencies related to the drug substance, drug product, microbiology, manufacturing, and environmental assessment sections of this NDA. The OPQ overall recommendation for NDA 214439 is approval.

Theodore Carver, Ph.D.

Senior Product Quality Assessor, OPQ/ONDP/DNDPIII/NDPB5



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## CHAPTER IV: LABELING

### [IQA NDA Assessment Guide Reference](#)

#### 1.0 PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

Assessment of Product Quality Related Aspects of the Prescribing Information:

#### 1.1 HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

| Items   | Information Provided in the NDA                    | Assessor's Comments |
|---|--|---------------------|
| <b>Product Title in Highlights</b>  |  |                     |
| Proprietary name  | (b) (4) ®<br>(amlodipine (b) (4)<br>oral solution) | Acceptable          |
| Established name(s)   | Amlodipine Oral Solution, 1 mg/mL                  | Acceptable          |
| Route(s) of administration  | Oral   | Acceptable          |
| <b>Dosage Forms and Strengths Heading in Highlights</b>   |  |                     |
| Summary of the dosage form(s) and strength(s) in metric system.   | Oral solution, 1 mg/ml                             | Acceptable          |
| For injectable drug products for parental administration, use appropriate package type term (e.g., single-dose, multiple-dose, single patient-use). Other package terms include pharmacy bulk package and imaging bulk package. | N/A  | Acceptable          |
| Special instructions for product preparation (e.g., reconstitution and resulting concentration, dilution, compatible diluents, storage conditions needed to maintain the stability of the reconstituted or diluted product)     | None   | Acceptable          |
| Available dosage form(s)  | Oral solution                                      | Acceptable          |
| Strength(s) in metric system  | Not applicable                                     | Acceptable          |
| If the active ingredient is a salt, apply the USP Salt Policy per FDA Guidance  | Follows the USP Salt Policy per FDA Guidance.      | Acceptable.         |

### 1.2.3 Section 11 (DESCRIPTION)

| Items   | Information Provided in the NDA   | Assessor's Comments |
|---|---|---------------------|
| <b>DESCRIPTION section</b>  |   |                     |
| Proprietary and established name(s)   | (b) (4) ®<br>(amlodipine (b) (4)<br>oral solution)                          | Acceptable          |
| Dosage form(s) and route(s) of administration   | Solution, oral  | Acceptable          |
| If the active ingredient is a salt, apply the USP Salt Policy and include the equivalency statement per FDA Guidance.   | Follows approved USP product for the LD.                                    | Acceptable          |
| List names of all inactive ingredients. Use USP/NF names. Avoid Brand names.  | Provided  | Acceptable          |
| For parenteral injectable dosage forms, include the name and quantities of all inactive ingredients. For ingredients added to adjust the pH or make isotonic, include the name and statement of effect. | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| If alcohol is present, must provide the amount of alcohol in terms of percent volume of absolute alcohol  | The following statement is on bottle labeling:<br>"Contains 4% v/v alcohol" | Acceptable          |
| Statement of being sterile (if applicable)  | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| Pharmacological/ therapeutic class  | Provided  | Acceptable          |
| Chemical name, structural formula, molecular weight   | Yes   | Acceptable          |
| If radioactive, statement of important nuclear characteristics.   | Not Applicable  | Acceptable          |
| Other important chemical or physical properties (such as pKa or pH)   | Solubility and physical description of the active ingredient is provided    | Acceptable          |
| Remove statements that may be misleading or promotional (e.g.,  | None present  | Acceptable          |



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| “synthesized and developed by Drug Company X,”<br>“structurally unique molecular entity |  |  |
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#### 1.2.4 Section 16 (HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING)

| Items  | Information Provided in the NDA  | Assessor's Comments |
|--|--|---------------------|
| <b>HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING section</b>   |  |                     |
| Available dosage form(s)   | Oral solution  | Acceptable          |
| Strength(s) in metric system   | Not applicable   | Acceptable          |
| Available units (e.g., bottles of 100 tablets)   | Supplied in 150 mL Amber Glass Bottles with (b) (4) Child Resistant Closures                             | Acceptable          |
| Identification of dosage forms, e.g., shape, color, coating, scoring, imprinting, NDC number   | Provided in section 3 as follows: pale straw-colored solution with a peppermint flavor                   | Acceptable          |
| For injectable drug products for parental administration, use appropriate package type term (e.g., single-dose, multiple-dose, single-patient use). Other package terms include pharmacy bulk package and imaging bulk package.            | N/A  | Acceptable          |
| Special handling about the supplied product (e.g., protect from light, refrigerate). If there is a statement to “Dispense in original container,” provide reason why (e.g. to protect from light or moisture, to maintain stability, etc.) | None   | Acceptable          |
| Storage conditions. Where applicable, use USP storage range rather than storage at a single temperature.   | Store at room temperature [20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F)], excursions permitted to 15° to 30°C (59° to 86°F) | Acceptable          |

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| Include information about child-resistant packaging | Supplied in 150 mL Amber Glass Bottles with (b) (4) Child Resistant Closures | Acceptable |
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### 1.2.6 Manufacturing Information After Section 17 (for drug products)

| Items  | Information Provided in the NDA                      | Assessor's Comments |
|--|--|---------------------|
| Name and location of business (street address, city, state and zip code) of the manufacturer, distributor, and/or packer | Distributed by CMP Pharma, Inc., Farmville, NC 27828 | Acceptable          |

## 2.0 PATIENT LABELING

**Assessment of Product Quality Related Aspects of Patient Labeling (e.g., Medication Guide, Patient Information, Instructions for Use): Not applicable**

## 3.0 CARTON AND CONTAINER LABELING

### 3.1 Bottle Label



**3.2 Outer package:** The product will not be packaged in any secondary package.

| Items  | Information Provided in the NDA                       | Assessor's Comments |
|--|---|---------------------|
| Proprietary name, established name, and dosage form (font size and prominence)   | (b) (4) ®<br>(amlodipine (b) (4)<br>oral solution)    | Acceptable          |
| Dosage strength  | 1 mg/ml   | Acceptable          |
| Route of administration  | Oral solution   | Acceptable          |
| If the active ingredient is a salt, include the equivalency statement per FDA Guidance   | Follows approved USP product for the LD               | Acceptable          |
| Net contents   | 150 ml per bottle                                     | Acceptable          |
| "Rx only" displayed on the principal display   | yes   | Acceptable          |
| NDC number   | yes   | Acceptable          |
| Lot number and expiration date   | yes   | Acceptable          |
| Storage conditions. If applicable, include a space on the carton labeling for the user to write the new BUD.                                       | Store at room temperature [20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F)] | Acceptable          |
| For injectable drug products for parental administration, use appropriate package type term (e.g., single-dose, multiple-dose, single patient-use) | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| Other package terms include pharmacy bulk package and imaging bulk package which require "Not for direct infusion" statement.                      | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| If alcohol is present, must provide the amount of alcohol in terms of percent volume of absolute alcohol   | Provided  | Acceptable          |
| Name of manufacturer/distributor   | Distributed by CMP Pharma, Inc., Farmville, NC 27828  | Acceptable          |

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|---|--|------------|
| Medication Guide  | Not Applicable                           | Acceptable |
| No text on Ferrule and Cap Overseal   | Not Applicable                           | Acceptable |
| When a drug product differs from the relevant USP standard of strength, quality, or purity, as determined by the application of the tests, procedures, and acceptance criteria set forth in the relevant compendium, its difference shall be plainly stated on its label. | Follows approved USP product for the LD. | Acceptable |

**Assessment of Carton and Container Labeling: Adequate**

**ITEMS FOR ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT**

None

**Overall Assessment and Recommendation: Adequate**

*Primary Drug Product Assessor Name and Date: Akm Khairuzzaman, Ph.D., 1/20/2022.*

*Secondary Assessor Name and Date (and Secondary Summary, as needed): Theodore Carver, Ph.D., 1/20/2022.*



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**NDA 214439: (b) (4) (Amlodipine) Oral Solution**

**OPQ's Integrated Quality Review**

**Recommendation: A Complete Response**

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|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>Drug Name/Dosage Form</b>    | (b) (4) (amlodipine) oral solution                                      |
| <b>Strength</b>                 | 1.0 mg/mL of amlodipine (equivalent to 1.385 mg of amlodipine besylate) |
| <b>Route of Administration</b>  | Oral solution   |
| <b>Indication</b>               | Indicated for the treatment of hypertension and chronic stable angina   |
| <b>Rx/OTC Dispensed</b>         | Rx  |
| <b>Applicant</b>                | CMP Development LLC   |
| <b>Submissions (s) Reviewed</b> | NDA 214439, IND # 141056, and all submitted CMC amendments              |

**Quality Review Team**

| <b>DISCIPLINE</b>                                | <b>REVIEWER</b>  | <b>BRANCH/DIVISION</b> |
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| Drug Substance                                   | Ben Zhang        | OPQ/ONDP/DNDAPI/NDB3   |
| Drug Product, Labeling, Environmental Assessment | Akm Khairuzzaman | OPQ/ONDP/DNDPIII/NDPB5 |
| Process and Facility                             | Upasana Sahu     | OPQ/OPMA/DPMAIV/PMB12  |
| Biopharmaceutics                                 | N/A              |                        |
| Microbiology                                     | Eric Adeeku      | OPQ/OPMA/DMAI/MAB1     |
| Application Technical Lead (ATL)                 | Mohan Sapru      | OPQ/ONDP/DNDPIII/NDPB5 |

Regulatory Business Process Manager: Grafton Adams; OPQ/OPRO/DRBPMBI/RBPMB2

**Related/Supporting Documents:**

| <b>Document</b> | <b>Application Number</b> | <b>Description</b>                     |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--|
| DMF             | Type II DMF# (b) (4)      | Previously reviewed and found adequate |

**CONSULTS:**

None.

## Executive Summary

### I. Recommendations

#### A. Recommendation and Conclusion on Approvability

Based on integrated quality review by the Office of Pharmaceutical Quality (OPQ), manufacturing facilities-related deficiencies remain currently unresolved because of a) an official action indicated (OAI) classification for the drug the drug substance testing facility, (b) (4) and b) a 704(a)(4) review of (b) (4) has identified currently unresolved CGMP deficiencies, resulting in 'withhold' recommendation for the facility. Therefore, from an OPQ perspective, this NDA is not deemed ready for approval in its present form until the above-mentioned deficiencies are satisfactorily resolved. As such, OPQ recommends a Complete Response (CR) action from a product quality perspective.

#### B. Recommendation on Post-Marketing Commitments (PMCs), Agreements, and/or Risk Management Steps, if Applicable

Not applicable.

### II. Background, and Quality Assessment Summary

The Applicant, CMP Development LLC, has sought U.S. marketing approval for (b) (4) (amlodipine) Oral Solution under the provisions of Section 505(b)(2) of the Federal Food and Cosmetic Act. The submission relies on a) the FDA's previous findings of safety and effectiveness for the Listed Drug (LD) Norvasc® (amlodipine) tablets (NDA 019787, approved July 31, 1992), and b) *in-vivo* bioavailability studies. The amlodipine oral suspension is a 'convenience dosage form' developed for patients with dysphagia (difficulty swallowing). Amlodipine is a dihydropyridine calcium antagonist (calcium ion antagonist or slow-channel blocker) that inhibits the transmembrane influx of calcium ions into vascular smooth muscle and cardiac muscle.

#### A. Drug Substance (Amlodipine Besylate, USP) Quality Summary

The drug substance Amlodipine Besylate, USP is a white crystalline powder, and is classified as a BCS Class I compound; exhibiting high solubility. For CMC details concerning the drug substance, the Applicant has cross-referenced Type II DMF (b) (4), which along with DMF amendments have been previously reviewed and found to be adequate. Quality attributes of the drug substance such as polymorphism and particle size distribution are not critical for the oral solution dosage form and do not require controls. The drug substance, which has one chiral center (i.e., 2 enantiomers), is a racemic mixture. Based on information provided in the NDA, the drug substance release specification includes testing the critical quality attributes



(CQAs) and conforms to USP monograph. The retest period is (b) (4) months when stored according to the manufacturer's stated storage conditions.

## B. Drug Product (Amlodipine Oral Solution) Quality Summary

### B.1. Product Design, and Release Specification:

Pharmaceutical development studies adequately support the formulation design, including excipient selection and excipient levels. No novel or human/animal-origin excipients are used in the formulation. Specifically, the drug product contains the drug substance and inactive ingredients namely; Maltitol, Butylated Hydroxyanisole, Ethanol (b) (4), Glycerin, and (b) (4) Peppermint Flavor (b) (4). All excipient/inactive ingredients are USP/NF compendial designated and are controlled through their monograph-recommended specification. The maximum daily dose (MDD) is 10 mg, which is equivalent to 10 mL of Amlodipine Oral Solution. The quantities of excipients used in the test formulation have been justified either because these are present in the formulation below the IIG limits, or do not exceed the acceptable limits for FDA-approved drug products for oral route, or a relevant safety assessment has been provided. The proposed product Amlodipine Oral Solution, 1 mg/mL, which is also intended to be dosed in children population (at or above 6-year-old), is packaged in 150 mL Amber (b) (4) glass bottles with (b) (4) child-resistant closures. The proposed container closure system is appropriate for the intended use. The level of alcohol used is reasonable for pediatric patient population (age 6 years or older) based on other FDA-approved products and FDA's inactive ingredient database.

The product release specification, involving testing of all the product critical quality attributes (CQAs), is adequate to ensure the consistent product quality. The revised limit of NLT (b) (4) and NLT (b) (4) (b) (4), respectively, are acceptable. The proposed limit of NMT (b) (4) (b) (4), is adequately justified. The non-compendial analytical procedures used for testing the drug product have been validated according to ICH guidelines. A risk assessment regarding levels of elemental impurities in the drug product (from all possible sources of elemental impurities such as the drug substance, excipients and manufacturing equipment) have been assessed in accordance with the *ICH guideline Q3D and USP General Chapters <232> and <233>*. Based on this assessment, the elemental impurities in the proposed product do not exceed the ICH Q3D-compliant permitted daily exposure (PDE) limits. Hence, no release testing for elemental impurities is required. In conclusion, the product design, selection of excipients and control of product quality via release testing are adequate.

**B.2. Manufacturing:** Briefly, the product manufacturing includes (b) (4) (b) (4). The commercial batch formula for the oral (b) (4) suspension reflects the proposed composition and is consistent with the commercial batch record. Adequate information has been provided about incoming materials, and

unit operations. The in-process controls, including the revised in-process control (b) (4) are adequate. (b) (4)

The product has been shown to be compatible with 40-micron polypropylene filters for up to 48 hrs. Overall, the manufacturing process is well-controlled.

### B.3. Microbiological Aspects:

(b) (4)  
(b) (4)  
Adequate antimicrobial validation data, per USP <51>, have been provided to support the minimum release and stability specification for the (b) (4). The product release specification includes microbial testing per USP <61> and USP <62>. The container closure system is designed to maintain the microbiological quality of the product.

**B.4. Biopharmaceutics Aspects:** Since the drug product is an oral solution, a biopharmaceutics review is not applicable for this submission.

**B.5. Stability, Storage Conditions and Expiration Date:** The stability data support an expiration period of 24 months for the proposed product when stored at 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F) in the commercial packaging. Excursions can be permitted to 15°C to 30°C (59°F to 86°F).

## C. Assessment of Manufacturing Facilities

The drug product manufacturing facility, (b) (4), is deemed high risk because the facility has never been inspected before by FDA. A 704(a)(4) records review was conducted for this facility for an earlier non-sterile oral solution application, where the drug product was manufactured (b) (4) in the same facility. The 704(a)(4) review identified CGMP deficiencies, including deficient records of process parameters and in-process controls for certain unit operations. The firm's responses to 704(a)(4) deficiencies have been reviewed but critical outstanding concerns remain unresolved. Thus, the identified deficiencies are currently unresolved, resulting in 'withhold' recommendation for (b) (4). In addition, the drug substance testing facility, (b) (4) is currently under the OAI. As a result, the facility remains out of compliance at this time and outstanding CGMP concerns preclude recommending the facility to be acceptable to support the drug substance testing role for this NDA. In summary, based on above-specified currently unresolved facilities-related deficiencies, from a product quality perspective, a complete response is recommended for this NDA.

## D. Environmental Assessment

The applicant's claim of categorical exclusion from the environmental assessment requirements, under 21 CFR 314.50 (d) (1) (iii), is deemed acceptable.

## E. List of Outstanding Facility Deficiencies

**Facility Inspections:**

1. During a review of records requested under section 704(a)(4) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and provided by (b) (4) manufacturing facility, the FDA noted objectionable conditions. Satisfactory resolution of these objectionable conditions is required (e.g., preapproval inspection and/or adequate facility responses addressing these conditions) before this application may be approved. The FDA will communicate the outstanding issues to the facility no later than 10 business days from issuing this complete response letter. Please contact (b) (4) manufacturing facility for additional information. An inspection of the (b) (4) facility is required before the application can be approved. FDA must assess the ability of that facility to conduct the listed manufacturing operations in compliance with CGMP. Due to restrictions on travel, we are unable to conduct an inspection of the (b) (4) facility prior to the User Fee Date. We will continue to monitor the public health situation as well as travel restrictions. We are actively working to define an approach for scheduling outstanding inspections, once safe travel may resume and based on public health need and other factors. For more information, please see the FDA guidances related to COVID 19. These guidances can be found at <https://www.fda.gov/emergencypreparedness-and-response/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/covid-19-related-guidancedocuments-industry-fda-staff-and-other-stakeholders>.

2. During a recent inspection of the (b) (4) manufacturing facility for this application, our field investigator conveyed deficiencies to the representative of the facility. Satisfactory resolution of these deficiencies is required before this application may be approved.

**Additional Comment:**

We acknowledge you added the (b) (4) testing as part of the (b) (4) for commercial production. You stated in Section 3.2.P.3.4 that the acceptance criteria (b) (4) will be established based on results from first three commercial batches. We remind you that process validation is to confirm the process design and demonstrate that the commercial manufacturing process performs as expected (*Guidance for Industry Process Validation: General Principles and Practices (2011)*), rather than to develop and/or finalize the commercial manufacturing process and define the acceptance criteria based on the data obtained from the process validation. Therefore, provide the acceptance criteria (b) (4) based on data collected from the manufacturing of development and registration batches and demonstrate that scalability issues for all scale-dependent parameters have been taken into account.

**Final Risk Assessment**

**NDA 214439: (b) (4) (Amlodipine) Oral Solution**

| Attribute/<br>CQA                      | Factors<br>Impacting CQAs   | Initial Risk<br>Ranking | Risk Mitigation<br>Approach | Final Risk<br>Evaluation | Lifecycle<br>Considerations |
|--|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Assay,<br>Stability                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation</li> <li>• Container closure</li> <li>• Raw materials</li> <li>• Process parameters</li> <li>• Scale/equipment/site</li> </ul> | Low<br>(L)              | (b) (4)                     | Acceptable               |                             |
| Physical<br>Stability<br>(solid state) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation</li> <li>• Raw materials</li> <li>• Process parameters</li> <li>• Scale/equipment/site</li> </ul>                              | Low<br>(L)              |                             | Acceptable               | N/A                         |

| Attribute/<br>CQA                              | Factors<br>Impacting CQAs  | Initial Risk<br>Ranking | Risk Mitigation<br>Approach | Final Risk<br>Evaluation | Lifecycle<br>Considerations  |
|--|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Physical<br>Stability<br>(phase<br>separation) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation</li> <li>• Raw materials</li> <li>• Process parameters</li> <li>• Scale/<br/>equipment/<br/>site</li> </ul> | Low<br>(L)              | (b) (4)                     | Acceptable               | Any proposed changes to formulation, manufacturing or the control strategies will need to be evaluated for possible impact on product CQAs |
| Dosing<br>Accuracy                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation</li> <li>• Dosing device</li> <li>• Process parameters</li> <li>• Scale/equipm<br/>ent/site</li> </ul>      | Low<br>(L)              |                             | Acceptable               | N/A  |
| Palatability                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation</li> <li>• Excipient<br/>change</li> <li>• Process<br/>parameters<br/>Scale/equipm<br/>ent/site</li> </ul>  | Moderate<br>(M)         |                             | Acceptable               | N/A  |
| Leachables                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation</li> <li>• Container<br/>closure</li> <li>• Process<br/>parameters<br/>Scale/equipm<br/>ent/site</li> </ul> | Moderate<br>(M)         |                             | Acceptable               | N/A  |

| Attribute/<br>CQA   | Factors<br>Impacting CQAs  | Initial Risk<br>Ranking | Risk Mitigation<br>Approach | Final Risk<br>Evaluation | Lifecycle<br>Considerations |
|---------------------|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Microbial<br>limits | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formulation</li> <li>• Raw materials</li> <li>• Process parameters</li> <li>Scale/equipment/site</li> </ul> | Low<br>(L)              | (b) (4)                     | Acceptable               | N/A                         |

**OVERALL ASSESSMENT AND SIGNATURES: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Application Technical Lead (ATL) Assessment and Signature**

Based on integrated quality review by the Office of Pharmaceutical Quality (OPQ), manufacturing facilities-related deficiencies remain currently unresolved because of a) an official action indicated (OAI) classification for the drug the drug substance testing facility, (b) (4) and b) a 704(a)(4) review of (b) (4) (b) (4) has identified currently unresolved CGMP deficiencies, resulting in 'withhold' recommendation for the facility. Therefore, from an OPQ perspective, this NDA is not deemed ready for approval in its present form until the above-mentioned deficiencies are satisfactorily resolved. As such, OPQ recommends a Complete Response (CR) action from a product quality perspective.

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## CHAPTER IV: LABELING

### [IQA NDA Assessment Guide Reference](#)

#### 1.0 PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

Assessment of Product Quality Related Aspects of the Prescribing Information:

#### 1.1 HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

| Items   | Information Provided in the NDA  | Assessor's Comments  |
|---|--|--|
| <b>Product Title in Highlights</b>  |  |  |
| Proprietary name  | (b) (4)®<br>(amlodipine (b) (4)<br>oral solution)                              | Acceptable   |
| Established name(s)   | Amlodipine Oral Solution, 1 mg/mL  | Acceptable   |
| Route(s) of administration  | Oral   | Acceptable   |
| <b>Dosage Forms and Strengths Heading in Highlights</b>   |  |  |
| Summary of the dosage form(s) and strength(s) in metric system.   | Oral solution, 1 mg/ml   | Acceptable   |
| For injectable drug products for parental administration, use appropriate package type term (e.g., single-dose, multiple-dose, single patient-use). Other package terms include pharmacy bulk package and imaging bulk package. | N/A  | Acceptable   |
| Special instructions for product preparation (e.g., reconstitution and resulting concentration, dilution, compatible diluents, storage conditions needed to maintain the stability of the reconstituted or diluted product)     | None   | Acceptable   |
| Available dosage form(s)  | Oral solution  | Acceptable   |
| Strength(s) in metric system  | Not applicable   | Acceptable   |
| If the active ingredient is a salt, apply the USP Salt Policy per FDA Guidance  | Follows the USP Salt Policy per FDA Guidance. Additionally, FDA recommended to | Acceptable after the applicant make the recommended changes on the label |



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|  | add equivalence statement of "(equivalent to 1.385 mg of Amlodipine Besilate per ml)" in section 11. |  |
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### 1.2.3 Section 11 (DESCRIPTION)

| Items   | Information Provided in the NDA               | Assessor's Comments |
|---|---|---------------------|
| <b>DESCRIPTION section</b>  |   |                     |
| Proprietary and established name(s)   | (b)(4) ®<br>(amlodipine (b)(4) oral solution) | Acceptable          |
| Dosage form(s) and route(s) of administration   | Solution, oral                                | Acceptable          |
| If the active ingredient is a salt, apply the USP Salt Policy and include the equivalency statement per FDA Guidance.   | Follows approved USP product for the LD.      | Acceptable          |
| List names of all inactive ingredients. Use USP/NF names. Avoid Brand names.  | Provided                                      | Acceptable          |
| For parenteral injectable dosage forms, include the name and quantities of all inactive ingredients. For ingredients added to adjust the pH or make isotonic, include the name and statement of effect. | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| If alcohol is present, must provide the amount of alcohol in terms of percent volume of absolute alcohol  | Not Provided                                  | Not Acceptable      |
| Statement of being sterile (if applicable)  | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| Pharmacological/ therapeutic class  | Provided                                      | Acceptable          |
| Chemical name, structural formula, molecular weight   | Yes   | Acceptable          |
| If radioactive, statement of important nuclear characteristics.   | Not Applicable                                | Acceptable          |

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|---|--|------------|
| Other important chemical or physical properties (such as pKa or pH)   | Solubility and physical description of the active ingredient is provided | Acceptable |
| Remove statements that may be misleading or promotional (e.g., "synthesized and developed by Drug Company X," "structurally unique molecular entity") | None present   | Acceptable |

#### 1.2.4 Section 16 (HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING)

| Items   | Information Provided in the NDA   | Assessor's Comments |
|---|---|---------------------|
| <b>HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING section</b>  |   |                     |
| Available dosage form(s)  | Oral solution   | Acceptable          |
| Strength(s) in metric system  | Not applicable  | Acceptable          |
| Available units (e.g., bottles of 100 tablets)  | Supplied in 150 mL Amber Glass Bottles with <sup>(b) (4)</sup> Child Resistant Closures | Acceptable          |
| Identification of dosage forms, e.g., shape, color, coating, scoring, imprinting, NDC number  | Provided in section 3 as follows: pale straw-colored solution with a peppermint flavor  | Acceptable          |
| For injectable drug products for parental administration, use appropriate package type term (e.g., single-dose, multiple-dose, single-patient use). Other package terms include pharmacy bulk package and imaging bulk package. | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| Special handling about the supplied product (e.g., protect from light, refrigerate). If there is a statement to "Dispense in original container," provide reason why (e.g. to protect from light or moisture, to                | None  | Acceptable          |

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| maintain stability, etc.)  |  |            |
| Storage conditions. Where applicable, use USP storage range rather than storage at a single temperature. | Store at room temperature [20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F)], excursions permitted to 15° to 30°C (59° to 86°F) | Acceptable |
| Include information about child-resistant packaging  | Supplied in 150 mL Amber Glass Bottles with <sup>(b) (4)</sup> Child Resistant Closures                  | Acceptable |

### 1.2.6 Manufacturing Information After Section 17 (for drug products)

| Items  | Information Provided in the NDA                      | Assessor's Comments |
|--|--|---------------------|
| Name and location of business (street address, city, state and zip code) of the manufacturer, distributor, and/or packer | Distributed by CMP Pharma, Inc., Farmville, NC 27828 | Acceptable          |

## 2.0 PATIENT LABELING

**Assessment of Product Quality Related Aspects of Patient Labeling (e.g., Medication Guide, Patient Information, Instructions for Use): Not applicable**

## 3.0 CARTON AND CONTAINER LABELING

### 3.1 Bottle Label

(b) (4)

### 3.2 Outer package

Not provided

**Reviewer's note:** Applicant will be asked to provide outer package labeling

| Items  | Information Provided in the NDA                               | Assessor's Comments |
|--|---|---------------------|
| Proprietary name, established name, and dosage form (font size and prominence)   | (b) (4) <sup>®</sup><br>(amlodipine (b) (4)<br>oral solution) | Acceptable          |
| Dosage strength  | 1 mg/ml   | Acceptable          |
| Route of administration  | Oral solution   | Acceptable          |
| If the active ingredient is a salt, include the equivalency statement per FDA Guidance   | Follows approved USP product for the LD                       | Acceptable          |
| Net contents   | 150 ml per bottle   | Acceptable          |
| "Rx only" displayed on the principal display   | yes   | Acceptable          |
| NDC number   | yes   | Acceptable          |
| Lot number and expiration date   | yes   | Acceptable          |
| Storage conditions. If applicable, include a space on the carton labeling for the user to write the new BUD.                                       | Store at room temperature [20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F)]         | Acceptable          |
| For injectable drug products for parental administration, use appropriate package type term (e.g., single-dose, multiple-dose, single patient-use) | N/A   | Acceptable          |
| Other package terms include pharmacy bulk package and imaging bulk package which require "Not for direct infusion"                                 | N/A   | Acceptable          |

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| statement.  |  |                |
| If alcohol is present, must provide the amount of alcohol in terms of percent volume of absolute alcohol  | Not provided on labeling                             | Not acceptable |
| Name of manufacturer/distributor  | Distributed by CMP Pharma, Inc., Farmville, NC 27828 | Acceptable     |
| Medication Guide  | Not Applicable                                       | Acceptable     |
| No text on Ferrule and Cap Overseal   | Not Applicable                                       | Acceptable     |
| When a drug product differs from the relevant USP standard of strength, quality, or purity, as determined by the application of the tests, procedures, and acceptance criteria set forth in the relevant compendium, its difference shall be plainly stated on its label. | Follows approved USP product for the LD.             | Acceptable     |

**Assessment of Carton and Container Labeling: *Inadequate***

**ITEMS FOR ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT**

1. In section 11, the FDA suggests including equivalence statement, "equivalent to 1.385 mg of Amlodipine Besilate per ml"
2. Provide outer package labeling information
3. Provide the amount of alcohol present in terms of percent volume of absolute alcohol on your labeling.

**Overall Assessment and Recommendation: Adequate after the above deficiencies are fulfilled.**

*Primary Drug Product Assessor Name and Date: Akm Khairuzzaman, Ph.D., 2/19/2021.*

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Comments: will follow up with alcohol content statement in labeling,  
the use of (b) (4) in established name and the possible  
expression of the strength (b) (4)

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## CHAPTER VII: MICROBIOLOGY

| Product Information                                 |   |
|---|---|
| <b>NDA Number</b>                                   | 214439                                      |
| <b>Assessment Cycle Number</b>                      | 01  |
| <b>Drug Product Name/ Strength</b>                  | (b) (4) (Amlodipine oral solution, 1 mg/mL) |
| <b>Route of Administration</b>                      | Oral  |
| <b>Sponsor Name</b>                                 | CMP Development LLC.                        |
| <b>Therapeutic Classification/<br/>OND Division</b> | Calcium channel blocker / N/A               |
| <b>Manufacturing Site</b>                           | (b) (4)                                     |
| <b>Method of Sterilization</b>                      | Non-sterile                                 |

**Assessment Recommendation: Adequate**

**Assessment Summary:** The submission is **recommended** for approval.

| Document(s) Assessed   | Date Received |
|------------------------|---------------|
| 1 (eCTD sequence 0000) | 06/22/2020    |

**List Submissions being assessed:**

| Submit     | Received   | Review Request | Assigned to Reviewer |
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| 06/22/2020 | 06/22/2020 | N/A            | 07/09/2020           |

**Highlight Key Issues from Last Cycle and Their Resolution:** N/A

**Remarks:**

This is an electronic submission.  
 Goal date is 04/22/2021.  
 No comparability protocols are included in this NDA.

**Concise Description of Outstanding Issues:** None

**Supporting Documents:** None

### P.1 DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE DRUG PRODUCT

Description of drug product –

(section 3.2.P.1).

Amlodipine Oral Solution, 1 mg/mL is a calcium channel blocker and may be used alone or in combination with other antihypertensive and antianginal agents for the treatment of hypertension and coronary artery disease.

Drug product composition –  
(section 3.2.P.1.2).

| Ingredient   | Function | Quantity/mL (mg/mL)                       |
|--|----------|---|
| Amlodipine, USP (Amlodipine besilate) <sup>1</sup> | API      | 1.00 mg ~ 1.385 mg of Amlodipine besilate |
| Maltitol, NF (b) (4)                               |          | (b) (4)                                   |
| Butylated hydroxyanisole, (b) (4)                  |          |   |
| Ethanol, (b) (4)                                   |          |   |
| (b) (4) Peppermint Flavor (b) (4)                  |          |   |
| Glycerin, USP                                      |          |   |
| (b) (4)  |          |   |

Description of container closure system –  
(sections 3.2.P.1 and 3.2.P.7).

Amlodipine Oral Solution, 1 mg/mL is packaged in 150 mL Amber (b) (4) Glass Bottles with a (b) (4) Child Resistant Closures and is designed to protect the product (b) (4) under ordinary conditions of handling, shipping, storage, and distribution.

| Component | Description                                | Manufacturer |
|-----------|--|--------------|
| Container | 150 mL Amber (b) (4) Glass (b) (4) Bottles | (b) (4)      |
| Closure   | (b) (4) Child Resistant Closures           |              |

The applicant provided an adequate description of the drug product composition and the container closure system designed to maintain the microbiological quality of the product.

**Adequate**

(b) (4)





**Adequate**

**R REGIONAL INFORMATION**

**Executed Batch Records**

(section 3.2.R).

Executed lot #(s):

- ❖ VAL/18/0090
- ❖ VAL/18/0091
- ❖ VAL/18/0092

The batch records provide the description of the manufacturing processes

 (b) (4) .

**Adequate**

## Comparability Protocols

No comparability protocols are included in this NDA.

## **2. ASSESSMENT OF COMMON TECHNICAL DOCUMENT – QUALITY (CTD-Q) MODULE 1**

### Post-Approval Commitments

None

**Adequate**

**MICROBIOLOGY LIST OF DEFICIENCIES:** None

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