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## **APPLICATION NUMBER:NDA20375/S008**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**



Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

NDA 20-375/S-008

Berlex Laboratories, Inc. 340 Changebridge Road P.O. Box 1000 Montville, NJ 07045-1000 SEP - 4 1997

Attention: June K. Bray

Director, Drug Regulatory Affairs

Dear Ms. Bray:

We acknowledge receipt of your supplemental application for the following:

Name of Drug:

Climara (estradiol transdermal system)

NDA Number:

20-375

Supplement Number: S-008

Date of Supplement: August 28, 1997

Date of Receipt:

August 29, 1997

Unless we find the application not acceptable for filing, this application will be filed under Section 505(b)(1) of the Act on October 28, 1997 in accordance with 21 CFR 314.101(a).

All communications concerning this NDA should be addressed as follows:

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Division of Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products, HFD-580 Office of Drug Evaluation II Attention: Document Control Room 17B-20 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Sincerely,

Lana L. Pauls, M.P.H. Chief, Project Management Staff Division of Reproductive and Urologic Drug Products, HFD-580 Office of Drug Evaluation II Center for Drug Evaluation and Research cc:

Original NDA 20-375/S-008 HFD-580/Div. Files HFD-580/CSO/

SUPPLEMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



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**SUPPLEMENT - EXPEDITED REVIEW REQUESTED** 

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NDA NO. <u>20-3:75</u> REF. NO. <u>008</u> NDA SUPPL FOR <u>508</u>

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Re: NDA 20-375

Climara® (estradiol transdermal system)

Supplement: Change in Product Appearance Specifications

Dear Dr. Rarick,

Reference is made to our NDA 20-375 for Climara® (estradiol transdermal system).
Reference is also made to the Field Alert filed by Berlex Laboratories on May 13,
1997 and to the teleconference with the Division held on May 14, 1997 concerning the need to revise the appearance specification for the product. Specifically,
have been observed in the adhesive matrix of the product, and the existing specification does not allow for the presence of any

This supplemental application provides for a change in the appearance specification to allow for the presence of in the product. The justification and documentation to support this change are provided in the amendment submitted by 3M Pharmaceuticals to their DMF on August 28, 1997. Enclosed is a copy of the DMF amendment cover letter which authorizes the Division to review this amendment in association with this supplemental application.

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Berlex is requesting an expedited review of this supplemental application pursuant to 21CFR314.70 (b)(2)(ii), as the existing appearance specification does not allow for the presence of which have been observed in marketed lots.

In addition to the Archival and Review Copies submitted herein, a Field Copy of this supplement is being provided to the FDA District Office in Parsippany, NJ. Each copy of this application contains the appropriate Field Copy certification statement and debarment certification statement.

Please contact the undersigned at (973) 276-2161 if you have any questions concerning this supplement.

Sincerely,

**BERLEX LABORATORIES** 

June K. Bray∕

Director

**Drug Regulatory Affairs** 

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Enclosures

REVIEWS COMPLETED

CSO ACTION:

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