



NDA 21-572/S-031

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL**

Cubist Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
Attention: David S. Mantus, Ph.D.  
Vice President, Regulatory Affairs  
65 Hayden Avenue  
Lexington, MA 02421

Dear Dr. Mantus:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated February 11, 2010, received February 12, 2010, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Cubicin (daptomycin for injection).

This “Changes Being Effected” supplemental new drug application provides for a revision to the **“Post-Marketing Experience”** section of the labeling text to add the adverse reaction *Clostridium difficile*-associated diarrhea under the subheading **“Infections and Infestations.”**

We have completed our review of this supplemental application and it is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended the agreed-upon labeling text attached to our action letter to you and dated November 30, 2010.

**CONTENT OF LABELING**

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit, using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at <http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>, that is identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, text for the patient package insert, Medication Guide) and include the labeling changes proposed in any pending “Changes Being Effected” (CBE) supplements and any 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 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.

### **LETTERS TO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**

If you decide to issue a letter communicating important safety-related information about this drug product (i.e., a “Dear Health Care Professional” letter), we request that you submit, at least 24 hours prior to issuing the letter, an electronic copy of the letter to this NDA to the following address:

MedWatch Program  
Office of Special Health Issues  
Food and Drug Administration  
10903 New Hampshire Ave  
Building 32, Mail Stop 5353  
Silver Spring, MD 20993

### **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 J. Christopher Davi, MS, Senior Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-0702.

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

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