DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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NDA 021436/S-042
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NDA 202971/S-011

SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL

Otsuka Pharmaceutical Development & Commercialization, Inc.
U.S. Agent for Otsuka Pharmaceutical Company, Ltd.
Attention: Dana Cahill, PhD
Associate Director, Global Regulatory Affairs
2440 Research Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Dr. Cahill:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Applications (sNDA) dated December 8, 2016, received December 8, 2016, and your amendment, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Abilify (aripiprazole) 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30 mg tablets (NDA 021436); Abilify (aripiprazole) 1 mg/mL oral solution (NDA 021713); Abilify (aripiprazole) 10 and 15 mg Orally Disintegrating Tablets (NDA 021729); Abilify (aripiprazole) 9.75 mg/1.3 mL injection for IM use (NDA 021866); Abilify Maintena (aripiprazole) for extended-release injectable suspension, for intramuscular injection 300 mg/vial and 400 mg/vial (NDA 202971).

We also refer to our letter dated November 10, 2016, notifying you, under Section 505(o)(4) of the FDCA, of new safety information that we believe should be included in the labeling for conventional and atypical antipsychotics. This information pertains to the risk of falls especially for patients with diseases, conditions, or medications that could exacerbate these effects.

These supplemental new drug applications provide for revisions to the labeling for Abilify and Abilify Maintena consistent with our November 10, 2016 safety labeling change notification letter.

APPROVAL & LABELING

We have completed our review of these supplemental applications. They are approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed, agreed-upon labeling text.

We note that your January 20, 2017, submission includes final printed labeling (FPL) for your package insert and Medication Guide. We have not reviewed this FPL. You are responsible for

assuring that the wording in this printed labeling is identical to that of the approved content of labeling in the structured product labeling (SPL) format.

WAIVER OF HIGHLIGHTS SECTION

Please note that we have previously granted a waiver of the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of prescribing information.

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, and Medication Guide), with the addition of any labeling changes in pending "Changes Being Effected" (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 include 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).

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, contact Danbi Lee, Regulatory Project Manager, at danbi.lee@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

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ENCLOSURE:
Contents of Labeling

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