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NDA 202270

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Attention: Richard J. Swanson, Ph.D.
Senior Director, Worldwide Regulatory Affairs

Dear Dr. Swanson:

Please refer to your New Drug Application (NDA) dated September 23, 2010, received September 23, 2010, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Sitagliptin and Metformin Extended-release Tablets, 50 mg/500 mg, 50 mg/1000 mg, and 100 mg/1000 mg.

We also reference your Class 2 resubmission to your New Drug Application (NDA) dated August 3, 2011, and received August 3, 2011.

We also reference your original March 25, 2011, correspondence, received March 25, 2011, requesting review of your proposed proprietary name Janumet XR. Additionally, we also reference your August 16, 2011, correspondence, received August 16, 2011, requesting review of your proposed proprietary name, Janumet XR. We have completed our review of the proposed proprietary name, Janumet XR and have concluded that it is acceptable.

If **any** of the proposed product characteristics as stated in your August 16, 2011, submission are altered prior to approval of the marketing application, the proprietary name should be resubmitted for review.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter or any other aspects of the proprietary name review process, contact Margarita Tossa, Safety Regulatory Project Manager in the Office of Surveillance and Epidemiology, at (301) 796-4053. For any other information regarding this application contact the Office of New Drugs (OND) Regulatory Project Manager, Raymond S. Chiang at (301) 796-1940

Sincerely,
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Proprietary Name Review--Final

Date: November 1, 2011

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Drug Name(s): Janumet XR (Sitagliptin and Metformin Extended-release) Tablets,
50 mg/500 mg, 50 mg/1000 mg, and 100 mg/1000 mg

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Applicant: Merck, Sharpe, and Dohme, Corp

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