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Dear Sir / Madam:

Re: Notice of Certification Under 21 U.S.C. § 355(j)(2)(B)(ii) (§ 505(j)(2)(B)(ii) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act) and 21 C.F.R. § 314.95

Pursuant to subsection 505(j)(2)(B) of the *Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act*, ("the Act"), Apotex Inc. (hereinafter "Apotex") is providing Notice of the following information to you, as the holder of New Drug Application (NDA) number N203168 for PROLENSA[®] (bromfenac sodium) 0.07% ophthalmic solution/drops, or as the patent owner and/or assignee thereof of the listed patents, U.S. 8,129,431 ("the '431 patent"), 8,669,290 ("the '290 patent"), 8,754,131 ("the '131 patent") and 8,871,813 ("the '813 patent") listed in the FDA's *Approved Drug Products With Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations* ("the FDA's Orange Book") associated with PROLENSA[®].

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'431, '290, '131, and '813 patents which are listed in the Patent and Exclusivity Information Addendum of the FDA's Orange Book.

Pursuant to 21 C.F.R. § 314.95(c)(2), we advise you that the ANDA submitted by Apotex has been assigned the number 20-7334 by the FDA.

Pursuant to 21 C.F.R. § 314.95(c)(3), we advise you that the established name of the drug product that is the subject of Apotex's ANDA is Bromfenac ophthalmic solution (0.07%).

Pursuant to 21 C.F.R. § 314.95(c)(4), we advise you that the active ingredient in the proposed drug product is known as bromfenac sodium; the strength of the proposed drug product is 0.07%; and the dosage form of the proposed drug product is ophthalmic solution/drops.

Pursuant to 21 C.F.R. § 314.95(c)(5), we advise you that the patents alleged to be invalid and/or not infringed in the paragraph IV certification are the '431, '290, '131, and '813 patents, which are listed in the FDA's Orange Book in connection with NDA N203168 for PROLENSA[®] (bromfenac) 0.07% ophthalmic solution/drops.

According to the electronic records of the FDA's Orange Book, the '431 patent will expire on or about September 11, 2025; the '290, '131 and '813 patents will expire on or about January 16, 2024.

Apotex alleges, and has certified to the FDA, that in Apotex's opinion and to the best of its knowledge, the '431, '290, '131 and '813 patents are each invalid, unenforceable and/or will not be infringed by the commercial manufacture, use or sale of the drug product described in Apotex's ANDA. Therefore, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 355(j)(2)(B)(iv)(II) and 21 C.F.R. § 314.95(c)(6), Apotex's detailed statement of the legal and factual basis for the paragraph IV certification set forth in Apotex's ANDA is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

A detailed statement of the factual and legal bases of our opinion that the claims of the '431, '290, '131, and '813 patents are invalid, unenforceable and/or will not be infringed follows and is made part hereof. In addition, Apotex reserves the right to demonstrate additional factual and legal bases concerning non-infringement, invalidity, or unenforceability should future information so warrant.

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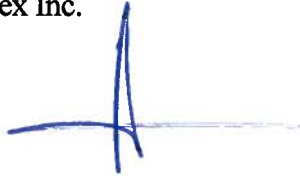
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Yours very truly,
Apotex Inc.



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patents are invalid, unenforceable and/or will not be infringed by the commercial manufacture, use or sale of the drug product described in Apotex's ANDA 20-7334. Apotex reserves the right to raise additional factual and legal bases concerning non-infringement, invalidity, and/or unenforceability in any litigation or other proceeding.

A.1 The Apotex ANDA Product

The Apotex ANDA Product is an ophthalmic solution/drops containing as active ingredient bromfenac. The strength of the proposed ANDA product is 0.07%.

B. Legal Standards

B.1 Claim Construction

It is a “bedrock principle” of patent law that “the claims of a patent define the invention to which the patentee is entitled the right to exclude.” *Phillips v. AWH Corp.*, 415 F.3d 1303, 1312 (Fed. Cir. 2005). The first step, claim construction, “is simply a way of elaborating the normally terse claim language in order to understand and explain, but not to change, the scope of the claims.” *DeMarini Sports, Inc. v. Worth, Inc.*, 239 F.3d 1314, 1322 (Fed. Cir. 2001) (citation omitted).

The words of a claim “are generally given their ordinary and customary meaning,” *i.e.*, the meaning that the term would have to a person of ordinary skill in the art in question as of the effective filing date of the patent application. *Phillips*, 415 F.3d at 1312-13 (citations omitted). Because the meaning of a claim term as understood by persons of skill in the art is often not immediately apparent, and because patentees frequently use terms idiosyncratically, courts look to “those sources available to the public that show what a person of skill in the art would have understood disputed claim language to mean,” which include “the words of the claims themselves, the remainder of the specification, the prosecution history, and extrinsic evidence concerning relevant scientific principles, the meaning of technical terms, and the state of the art.” *Phillips*, 415 F.3d at 1314 (citations omitted).

When construing a patent claim, a court first analyzes the intrinsic evidence of record—the claims, the specification, and the prosecution history, as such evidence is the most significant source of the legally operative meaning of a claim. *Phillips*, 415 F.3d at 1314-17; *Markman v. Westview Instruments Inc.*, 52 F.3d 967, 980 (Fed. Cir. 1995) (en banc), *aff'd* 517 U.S. 370 (1996). While “words in a claim are generally given their ordinary and customary meaning, a[n] applicant may choose to be his own lexicographer and use terms in a manner other than their ordinary meaning, as long as the special definition is

determining “the legally operative meaning of claim language.” *Id.* On several occasions, the Federal Circuit has admonished courts construing patent claims for relying on extrinsic evidence because it “poses the risk that [the extrinsic evidence] will be used to change the meaning of claims in derogation of the ‘indisputable public records consisting of the claims, the specification and the prosecution history,’ thereby undermining the public notice function of patents.” *Id.* at 1319 (citation omitted). Likewise, extrinsic evidence may not correct errors, erase limitations, or otherwise diverge from the description of the invention as contained in the patent documents. *Aqua-Aerobic Sys., Inc. v. Aerators, Inc.*, 211 F.3d 1241, 1245 (Fed. Cir. 2000).

A patentee cannot recapture in litigation claim scope surrendered, either by amendment or argument, during the prosecution of the patent. *Pharmacia & Upjohn Co. v. Mylan Pharms., Inc.*, 170 F.3d 1373, 1376-77 (Fed. Cir. 1999). Because “[c]laims may not be construed one way in order to obtain their allowance and in a different way against accused infringers,” *Southwall Techs., Inc. v. Cardinal IG Co.*, 54 F.3d 1570, 1576 (Fed. Cir. 1995), if a claim must be construed in a particular way to make the claimed subject matter patentable, it cannot be construed differently to cover an accused device if that construction would simultaneously include the prior art. This principle prevents a patentee from claiming that its patent claims cover subject matter for which the PTO was unwilling to issue a patent. It also gives courts guidance as to what claims or claim elements warrant a narrow scope. When a patentee urges a court to broadly construe or effectively “read out” claim limitations which, if so broadly construed or eliminated, would fail to differentiate a claim from the prior art, courts have a basis for rejecting such claim constructions. *Id.* at 1580-82; *DeMarini*, 239 F.3d at 1332.

B.2. Infringement Analysis

The first step to determining whether infringement exists is to construe the patent claim language. Second, the properly construed claims are compared to the accused product or process to determine whether it falls within the scope of the claims. *Markman v. Westview Instruments, Inc.*, 52 F.3d 967, 976 (Fed. Cir. 1995), *aff'd*, 517 U.S. 370 (1996).

Literal infringement of a patent claim requires that the accused product contain each limitation of the claim. *Litton Sys., Inc. v. Honeywell, Inc.*, 140 F.3d 1149, 1454 (Fed. Cir. 1998). Each limitation of the claim is essential; if one or more limitations or its equivalent cannot be found in the accused product or process, the claim is not infringed. *London v. Carson Pirie Scott & Co.*, 946 F.2d 1534, 1538-39 (Fed. Cir. 1991).

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