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Congratulations on your approval for ANDA 09836.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

ANDA 90836

Alkem Laboratories Limited Attention: Gordon Johnston U.S. Agent 3631 Martins Dairy Circle Olney, MD 20832

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application (ANDA) dated September 29, 2008, submitted pursuant to section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act), for Cephalexin Capsules USP, 250 mg and 500 mg.

Reference is also made to your amendments dated March 6, and October 7, 2009; March 12, July 9, July 16, August 4, and December 17, 2010.

We have completed the review of this ANDA and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug is safe and effective for use as recommended in the submitted labeling. Accordingly the ANDA is approved, effective on the date of this letter. The Division of Bioequivalence has determined your Cephalexin Capsules USP, 250 mg and 500 mg, to be bioequivalent and, therefore, therapeutically equivalent to the reference listed drug, Keflex Capsules, 250 mg and 500 mg, respectively, of Victory Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Your dissolution testing should be incorporated into the stability and quality control program using the same method proposed in your application.

Under section 506A of the Act, certain changes in the conditions described in this ANDA require an approved supplemental application before the change may be made.

We note that if FDA requires a Risk Evaluation & Mitigation Strategy (REMS) for a listed drug, an ANDA citing that listed drug also will be required to have a REMS, See 505-1(i).

Reference ID: 2880454

Postmarketing reporting requirements for this ANDA are set forth in 21 CFR 314.80-81 and 314.98. The Office of Generic Drugs should be advised of any change in the marketing status of this drug.

Promotional materials may be submitted to FDA for comment prior to publication or dissemination. Please note that these submissions are voluntary. If you desire comments on proposed launch promotional materials with respect to compliance with applicable regulatory requirements, we recommend you submit, in draft or mock-up form, two copies of both the promotional materials and package insert directly to:

Food and Drug Administration Center for Drug Evaluation and Research Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications 5901-B Ammendale Road Beltsville, MD 20705

We call your attention to 21 CFR 314.81(b)(3) which requires that all promotional materials be submitted to the Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications with a completed Form FDA 2253 at the time of their initial use.

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(1)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format, as described at

http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLab eling/default.htm, that is identical in content to the approved labeling (including the package insert, and any patient package insert and/or Medication Guide that may be required). Information on submitting SPL files using eLIST may be found in the guidance for industry titled "SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Os and As" at

http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryIni ormation/Guidances/U CM072392.pdf

The SPL will be accessible via publicly available labeling repositories.

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Keith Webber, Ph.D. Deputy Director Office of Pharmaceutical Science Center for Drug Evaluation and Research This is a representation of an electronic record that was signed electronically and this page is the manifestation of the electronic signature.

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ROBERT L WEST 12/20/2010 Deputy Director, Office of Generic Drugs for Keith Webber, Ph.D.