

Helpful Hints From The Inside

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Monitor Regularly...

1. RLD Updates: Delaying your update submissions may impact approval date.
2. Monitor Orange Book: (non-exhaustive list)
 - Patent updates
 - Marketing status
 - Exclusivities
 - Updates/Additions to Use codes



Monitor Regularly...(cont'd)

3. Product Specific Guidance updates

- OGD has published nearly 1700 PSGs
- <https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/GuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/ucm075207.htm>.



Cover Letter

1. If applicable, clearly request prioritization with every submission.
 - a. OGD has limited obligations to prioritize ANDAs where the applicant has not requested prioritization.
2. Recommend stating in cover letter ANDAs that cross-reference BE studies or have shared Labeling.
3. List all impacted review disciplines heading at top of all amendment cover letters.
 - Example: Drug Substance, Pharmacology/Toxicology, Bioequivalence



Amendments to an Unapproved ANDA

An amendment to an unapproved ANDA must contain:

- “an appropriate patent certification or statement” or “a recertification for a previously submitted paragraph IV certification” if approval is sought for a proposed change under 314.96(d)(1):
 1. a new indication or other condition of use,
 2. a new strength,
 3. to make other than minor change in product formulation, or
 4. to change to the physical form or crystalline structure of the active ingredient

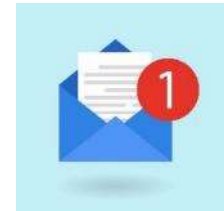
OR

- verification statement in **cover letter** that states the amendment does not contain one of the those four changes
 - e.g. “This amendment does not contain one of the proposed changes under 21 CFR 314.96(d)(1)”

Notification of Commercial Marketing

1. CFR 314.107(c)(2): First Filer Applicants

- Required to submit notice of commercial marketing within 30 days of the date of its first commercial marketing of its drug product or the reference listed drug (Authorized Generic).
- If you fail to submit this notice, we will consider the date of first commercial marketing to be the ANDA approval date, possibly affecting your 180-day exclusivity.



Notification of Commercial Marketing (cont'd)

2. Granted Competitive Generic Therapy (CGT)

- If first to be approved, *immediately* notify OGD of commercial marketing otherwise other ANDAs will continue to be approved .
- Follow notice instructions in your AP letter.
- Draft Guidance: [Competitive Generic Therapies](#)



Goal Date Extension

Question: What happens to your goal date if you withdraw an amendment?

Answer: If the amendment extended the goal date, the extended goal date remains in effect.



Complete Form FDA 356h



- Section 28: Identify all applicable facilities and answer questions for EVERY submission.

28. Establishment Information (Full establishment information should be provided in the body of the application.)			
Establishment Name			
Address 1 (Street address, P.O. box, company name c/o)		Registration (FEI) Number	
Address 2 (Apartment, suite, unit, building, floor, etc.)		MF Number	
City	State/Province/Region		
Country	Establishment DUNS Number		
ZIP or Postal Code			
Is the establishment new to the application?		What is the status of the establishment?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Pending <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Inactive <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	
Establishment Contact Information at the site/facility			
Name of Contact for the Establishment		Telephone Number (Include area code)	
Address 1 (Street address, P.O. box, company name c/o)		FAX Number (Include area code)	
Address 2 (Apartment, suite, unit, building, floor, etc.)		Email Address	
City	State/Province/Region		
Country	ZIP or Postal Code		
Manufacturing Steps and/or Type of Testing		Is the site ready for inspection? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
		If No, when will site be ready? (mm/dd/yyyy)	
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- Update authorized agents information (sections 31-36) and provide signature.

31. Typed Name and Title of Applicant's Responsible Official		32. Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
33. Telephone Number (Include country code if applicable and area code)	34. FAX Number (Include country code if applicable and area code)	35. Email Address
36. Address of Applicant's Responsible Official		
Address 1 (Street address, P.O. box, company name c/o)		
Address 2 (Apartment, suite, unit, building, floor, etc.)		
City	State/Province/Region	
Country	ZIP or Postal Code	
37. Signature of Applicant's Responsible Official or Other Authorized Official		38. Countersignature of Authorized U.S. Agent
Sign		Sign

Form FDA 3674



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ADMINISTRATION

1. Certification of compliance with ClinicalTrials.gov data bank requirements
 - 42 U.S.C. 282(j)(5)(B)
2. Submit with your original ANDA
3. Applicants must provide a Form FDA 3674 with any application that is submitted under Section 505 of the FD&C Act
4. <https://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM048364.pdf>
5. Failure to submit the certification or knowingly submitting a false certification are prohibited acts (see sections 301(jj) and 303(f)(3) of the FD&C Act)



Requests for Reconsideration (RfR)

- MAJOR/MINOR -

1. Draft Guidance: [Requests for Reconsideration at the Division Level Under GDUFA \(October 2017\)](#)
2. Refer to the Appendix A of the [Guidance for Industry, ANDA Submissions – Amendments to Abbreviated New Drug Applications Under GDUFA \(July 2018\)](#) before submitting any RFRs.
3. In cover letter, bold heading “Submission for Request for Reconsideration” and send courtesy copy/notification to RPM and ANDAREconsideration@fda.hhs.gov



DMF Collaboration

1. Collaborate with DMF Holder if you know actionable date approaching.
2. For supplements that involve a DMF amendment, recommend including DMF amendment date in cover letter.



Post-Approval Questions

1. Agency often receives inquiries as to what supplement category a proposed change should be submitted (i.e. Annual Report, CBE-0, CBE-30, PAS).
 - Review 21 CFR 314.70 , 314.81 and FDA guidances:
 - a. [Guidance for Industry – Changes to an Approved NDA or ANDA](#)
 - b. *Guidance for Industry – SUPAC*
 - i. [Immediate Release Solid Oral Dosage Forms](#)
 - ii. [Modified Release Solid Oral Dosage Forms](#)
 - iii. [Non-sterile Semisolid Dosage Forms](#)



Post-Approval Questions (cont'd)

2. Agency does not perform pre-review of supplements.
3. If applicant doesn't hear from FDA within 30 days of CBE-0 or CBE-30 receipt date, applicant can implement changes.



Finding Your RPM

[DPM Organizational Chart](#)



