



Food and Drug Administration
Rockville, MD 20857

May 2, 2005

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Mr. Scott L. Cunningham
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Dear Mr. Cunningham:

Your petition on behalf of Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, requesting the Food and Drug Administration to stay the Agency's decision to approve the Lachman Consultant Services, Inc. suitability petition to file an abbreviated new drug application for venlafaxine hydrochloride extended-release 37.5 mg, 75 mg, and 150 mg, was received by this office on 4/29/2005. It was assigned docket number 2003P-0159/PSA 1 and it was filed on 4/29/2005. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

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Office of Management

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