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FDA White Oak Campus, Building 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503)
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DRAFT QUESTIONS

1. **DISCUSSION:** What efficacy data are necessary to adequately evaluate the benefit of Exparel for nerve block?
 - a. Discuss whether active comparator arms should be included in future efficacy studies of Exparel
 - b. Discuss any circumstances where placebo-controlled studies alone are adequate to evaluate the efficacy of Exparel
2. **DISCUSSION:** The applicant has requested that Exparel be indicated “as a nerve block to produce regional analgesia.”
 - a. Discuss whether the efficacy data support the use of Exparel as a nerve block for the femoral nerve, intercostal nerves, or brachial plexus
 - b. Discuss whether the data support any of the following:
 - i. a broad indication for nerve block
 - ii. individual nerve block indications
 - iii. no nerve block indication
 - c. If you do not find the data adequate to support any nerve block indication, describe the data that would be necessary to support this indication.
3. **DISCUSSION:** What safety data are necessary to adequately evaluate the risks of Exparel for nerve block?
 - a. Discuss whether active comparator arms should be included in future studies of Exparel
 - b. Discuss whether there are circumstances where placebo-controlled studies or open-label studies are adequate to assess the safety of Exparel
 - c. Discuss whether the safety data submitted are adequate to characterize the safety profile of Exparel
4. **DISCUSSION:** Please discuss whether the data are adequate to support a change in the proposed indication from “administration into the surgical site to produce postsurgical analgesia” to “single-dose infiltration to produce local analgesia”.
5. **DISCUSSION:** Please discuss any outstanding issues with this supplemental NDA that warrant additional studies, and if so, should these studies be conducted before or after approval.
6. **VOTE:** Do the efficacy, safety, and overall risk-benefit profile of Exparel support the approval of this supplemental application to add an indication for “nerve block to produce regional analgesia” or any individual nerve block indications?