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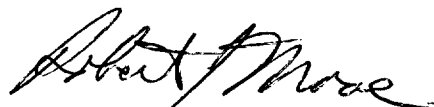
Memorandum

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From Senior Regulatory Scientist, Regulatory Branch, Division of Programs & Enforcement Policy (DPEP), Office of Special Nutritionals, HFS-456 <sup>2064 '99</sup> 11-4 P2:57  
Subject 75-day Premarket Notification for New Dietary Ingredient  
To Dockets Management Branch, HFA-305

New Dietary Ingredient: Danshen Root (*Salvia miltiorrhiza* Bge.)  
Firm: XILI, U.S.A.  
Date Received by FDA: November 13, 1998  
90-day Date: February 10, 1999

In accordance with the requirements of section 413(a)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the attached 75-day premarket notification for the aforementioned new dietary ingredient should be placed on public display in docket number 95S-0316 after February 10, 1999.

  
Robert J. Moore, Ph.D.

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Mr. David Chen  
President  
XILI, U.S.A.  
1057 SE 17th Street  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

Dear Mr. Chen:

This letter is in response to your submission to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) dated November 4, 1998 and received by FDA on November 13, 1998 making a submission for a new dietary ingredient pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 350b(a)(2). Your letter notified FDA of your intent to market a product containing danshen root (*Salvia miltiorrhiza Bge.*).

Under 21 U.S.C. 350b(a), the manufacturer or distributor of a dietary supplement that contains a new dietary ingredient that has not been present in the food supply as an article used for food in a form in which the food has not been chemically altered must submit to FDA, at least 75 days before the dietary ingredient is introduced or delivered for introduction into interstate commerce, information that is the basis on which the manufacturer or distributor has concluded that a dietary supplement containing such new dietary ingredient will reasonably be expected to be safe. FDA reviews this information to determine whether it provides an adequate basis for such a conclusion. Under section 350b(a)(2), there must be a history of use or other evidence of safety establishing that the new dietary ingredient, when used under the conditions recommended or suggested in the labeling of the dietary supplement, will reasonably be expected to be safe. If this requirement is not met, the dietary supplement is deemed to be adulterated under 21 U.S.C. 342(f)(1)(B) because there is inadequate information to provide reasonable assurance that the new dietary ingredient does not present a significant or unreasonable risk of illness or injury.

FDA has carefully considered the information in your submission, and the agency has significant concerns about the evidence on which you rely to support your conclusion that a dietary supplement containing danshen root, when used under the conditions recommended or suggested in the labeling of your product, will reasonably be expected to be safe. First, although your submission provides the amount of active ingredient (i.e., tanshinone) in the product, information on the amount of the dietary supplement itself to be consumed per day is not provided. Furthermore, the information provided in the Chinese herbal medicine reference included in your submission refers to pharmacological, clinical, and toxicological

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findings on danshen root from various studies. However, the exact dose exposures associated with these effects are, for the most part, not provided. Additionally, relevant information about the species of test animals exposed and the route of administration of the test material is not provided in all cases.

For the reasons discussed above, the information in your submission does not provide an adequate basis to conclude that danshen root, when used under the conditions recommended or suggested in the labeling of your product, will reasonably be expected to be safe. Therefore, your product may be adulterated under 21 U.S.C. 342(f)(1)(B) as a dietary supplement that contains a new dietary ingredient for which there is inadequate information to provide reasonable assurance that such ingredient does not present a significant or unreasonable risk of illness or injury. Introduction of such a product into interstate commerce is prohibited under 21 U.S.C. 331(a) and (v).

Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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Lynn A. Larsen, Ph.D.

Director

Division of Programs and Enforcement Policy

Office of Special Nutritionals

Center for Food Safety

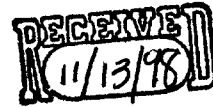
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November 4, 1998

Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450)  
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition  
Food and Drug Administration  
200 C Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20204



Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed is the information required by the FDA for Premarket Notification of a new dietary ingredient.

Please notify me if any additional documentation is necessary.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David Chen".

David Chen  
President

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## PREMARKET NOTIFICATION FOR DANSHENGTONG

Manufacturer: Hebei Xinlong Xi Li Pharmaceutical Company  
Xiguan, Xinlong County  
Hebei Province, China

U.S. Distributor: Xi Li USA  
1057 S.E. 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

Trade Name of Supplement: Danshengtong

Herb Name of Supplement: Danshen Root

Active Ingredient: Tanshinone

Latin Name: Salvia Miltiorrhiza Bge.

Level of Active Ingredient  
in Supplement: 150mg per capsule

Labeling Information: Danshengtong, a dietary herbal supplement, is used for  
cosmetic purposes.

History of Use and  
Evidence of Safety: Please see enclosed references:  
1. Bensky, Dan and Gamble, Andrew, Chinese Herbal  
Medicine: Materia Medica, Eastland Press, Inc., 1993,  
pp. 267-268.  
2. Hsu, Hong-Yen and Associates, Oriental Materia  
Medica: A Concise Guide, Oriental Healing Arts Institute,  
1986, pp. 480-481.  
3. Yen Kun-Ying, The Illustrated Chinese Materia Medica:  
Crude and Prepared, SMC Publishing, Inc., Taiwan,  
Republic of China, 1992, p. 60.  
4. Qian, Xinzhong, editor, Color Illustrated Chinese  
Herbs, People Medical Publishing House, Beijing, China,  
May 1996, p. 74.