FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)

Arthritis Advisory Committee (AAC)

Proposed AGENDA

April 12, 2007

8:00 a.m. Call to Order

Introduction of Committee

Dennis Turk, Ph.D.

Acting Chair, AAC

Conflict of Interest Statement

Johanna Clifford, M.Sc., RN Designated Federal Official, AAC

8:15 a.m. **Opening Remarks**

Bob Rappaport, M.D., Director

Division of Anesthesia, Analgesia & Rheumatology

Products (DAARP), CDER, FDA

The committee will discuss new drug application (NDA) 21-389/21-772, ARCOXIA (etoricoxib), Merck & Co., Inc., proposed treatment for the relief of signs and symptoms of osteoarthritis.

FDA Presentation

8:30 a.m. History of Cardiovascular Findings Sharon Hertz, M.D., Deputy Director

from NSAID Studies

DAARP, CDER, FDA

9:00 a.m. **Sponsor Presentation** Merck Co., Inc.

Introduction

Zak Huang, M.D. Director, Regulatory Affairs, Merck Research Labs (MRL)

Unmet Medical Need in OA

Grant Cannon, M.D.

Professor of Medicine

University of Utah, Division of Rheumatology

Efficacy & Safety Summary

Sean Curtis, M.D.

Executive Director, Clinical Research, MRL

10:00 a.m.

FDA Presentation of Etoricoxib

Application

Robert Shibuya, M.D.

DAARP, CDER, FDA

11:00 a.m.

An Epidemiologic Perspective

on Etoricoxib

Break

David Graham, M.D., MPH

Office of Surveillance and Epidemiology, CDER, FDA

11:15 a.m.

Open Public Hearing 11:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30 p.m. Questions from the Committee

2:30 p.m. **Break**

Questions to the AAC and AAC Discussion 2:45 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Adjourn