

Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

Re: Novoseven 1 Døøket No. 99E-5112 3505 '03 NOV 19

The Honorable James E. Rogan
Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office
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Dear Director Rogan:

This is in regard to the patent term extension application for U.S. Patent No. 4,784,950 filed by ZymoGenetics, Inc. under 35 U.S.C. § 156. The patent claims Novoseven (rhFVIIa), BLA 96-0597.

In the January 24, 2003, issue of the <u>Federal Register</u> (68 Fed. Reg. 3534), the Food and Drug Administration published its determination of this product's regulatory review period, as required under 35 U.S.C. § 156(d)(2)(A). The notice provided that on or before July 23, 2003, 180 days after the publication of the determination, any interested person could file a petition with FDA under 35 U.S.C. § 156(d)(2)(B)(i) for a determination of whether the patent term extension applicant acted with due diligence during the regulatory review period.

The 180-day period for filing a due diligence petition pursuant to this notice has expired and FDA has received no such petition. Therefore, FDA considers the regulatory review period determination to be final.

Please let me know if we can provide further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

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