

Schering-Plough HealthCare Products

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Docket Management Branch (HFA-305) Food and Drug Administration 5630 Fishers Lane Room 1061 Rockville, MD 20852

Re:

Docket No. 96P-0460:

Topical Antifungal Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use;

Proposed Amendment to the Final Monograph

Dear Sir or Madam:

We refer to the Federal Register of May 29, 2001, which contained a proposed rule (pp. 29059-29064) that would amend the final monograph for over-the-counter (OTC) topical antifungal drug products to add the ingredient clotrimazole, 1%, as generally recognized as safe and effective for the treatment of athlete's foot, jock itch, and ringworm.

Schering-Plough HealthCare Products supports the agency's determination that clotrimazole has been marketed to a material extent and for a material time as a topical antifungal drug and, based on the available data, can be generally recognized as safe and effective for these uses and included in the OTC drug monograph for this class of products.

If you have any questions, please call the undersigned me at (908) 679-1560.

Sincerely,

Alan J. Mart

Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs Schering-Plough HealthCare Products, Inc.

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