



U.S. Food and Drug Administration

# Generic Drug User Fee Act

# Agenda

- Process and Access
- Challenges and Success of Generics
- Outlines of the Act
- Legislative Language
- Goals Letter
- Next Steps
- Questions and Answers



## Process and Access

# Generic Industry Large & Fragmented

- Made up of both final dosage form (FDF) and active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) manufacturers
- Thousands of firms spread worldwide
- In virtually every continent and country
- Large and small

# Access To All Through Multiple Vehicles

- Extensive outreach
- FDF and API trade associations at table
  - Generic Pharmaceutical Association (GPhA,) European Fine Chemicals Group (EFCG,) and the Society of Chemical Manufacturers and Affiliates' Bulk Pharmaceuticals Task Force (SOCMA's BPTF)
    - Members worldwide
  - 16 all-day negotiation sessions using a highly transparent process
    - Negotiation summaries on public Web site
- Open docket throughout
  - FDA-2010-N-0381 – Open Sept. 17, 2010 - Jan 6, 2012
- Multiple open public stakeholder meetings
  - 6 public meetings & stakeholder updates, starting Sept. 17, 2010



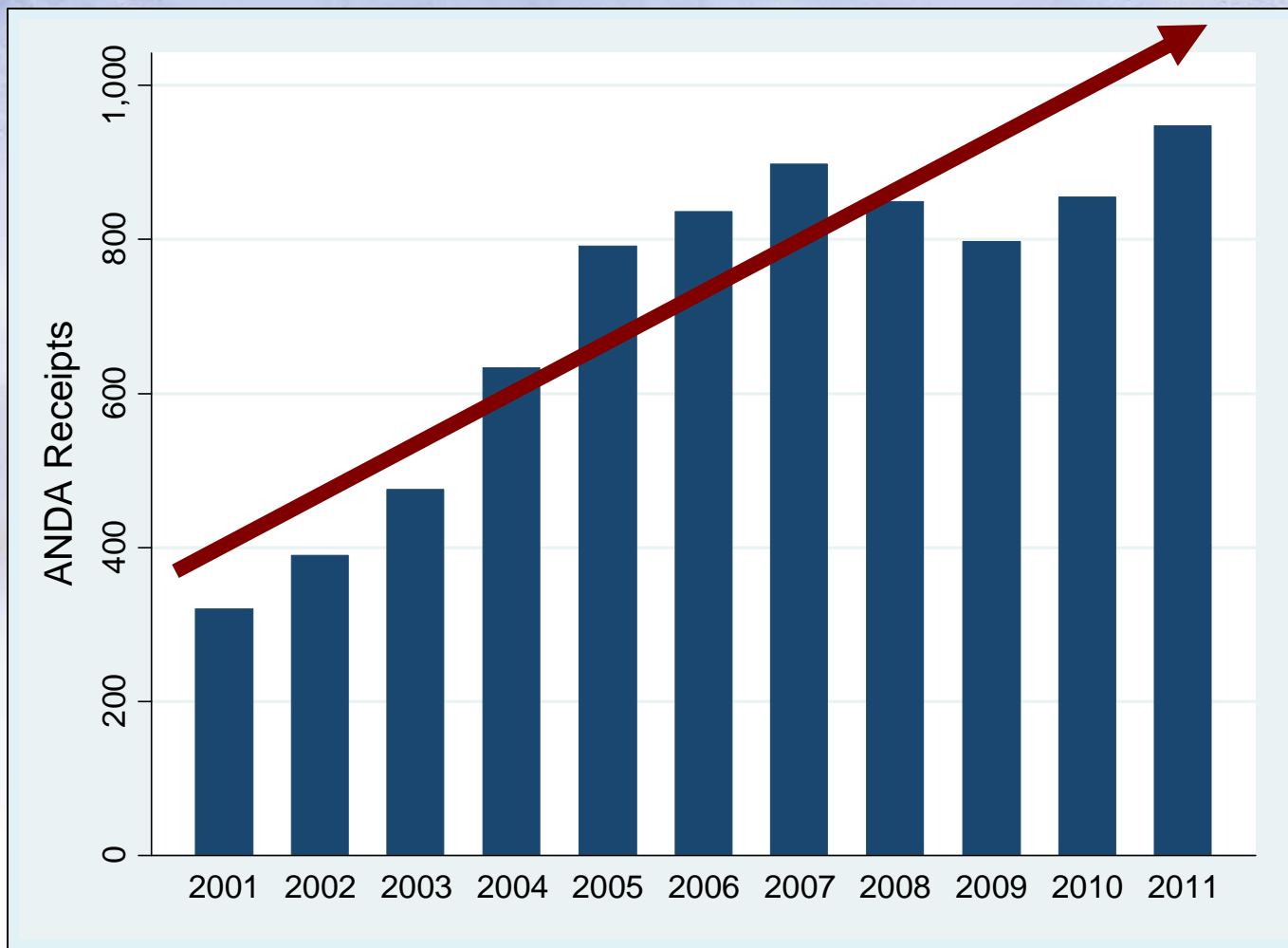
# Environment

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# Generics Success = Unprecedented Regulatory Challenge

- \$931 billion in savings (2001-2010) has resulted in continued success and growth
- While program funding has remained relatively flat
- Generics industry success has come to represent an unprecedented regulatory challenge in terms of
  - Size
  - Scope
  - Geography

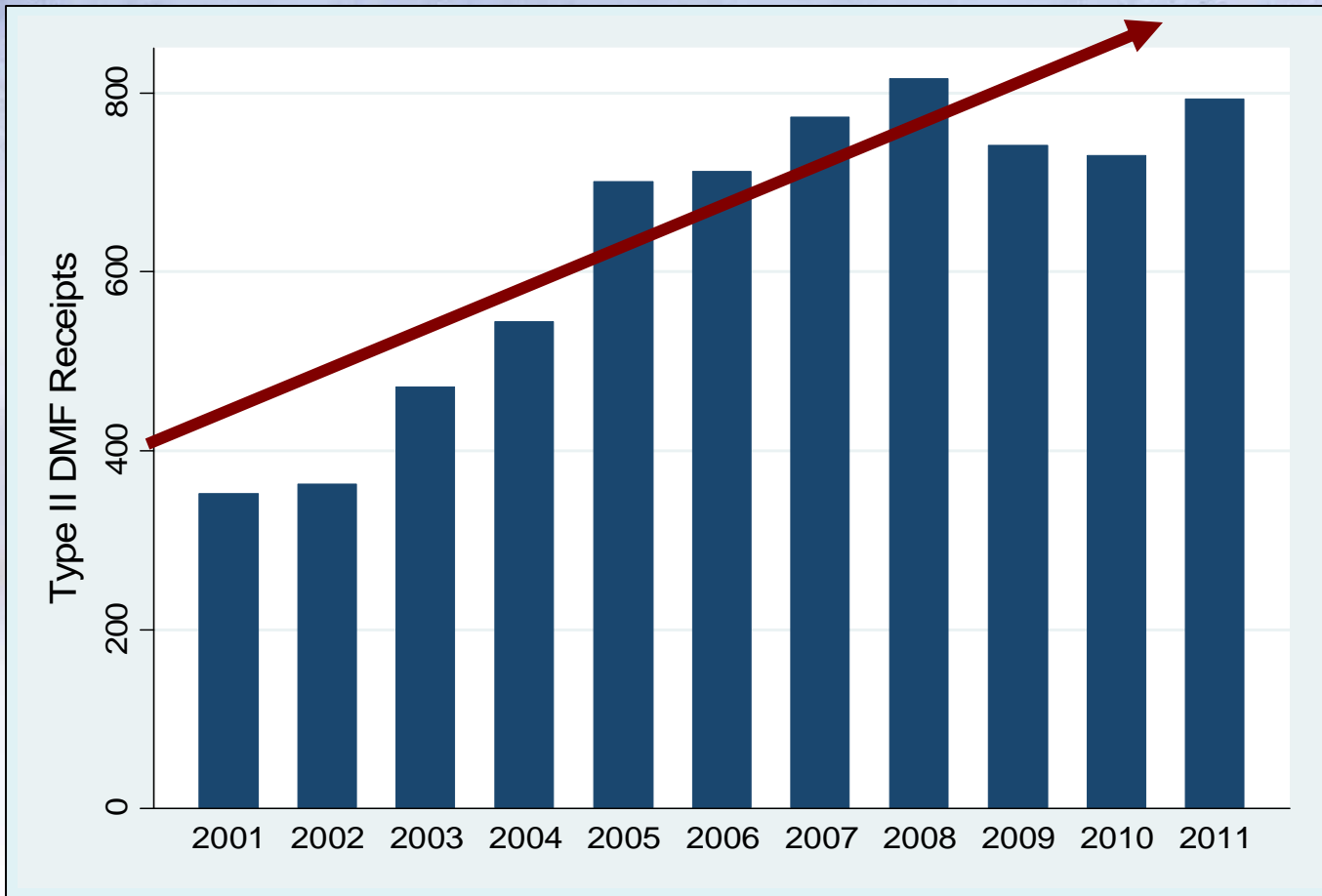
# Continued Growth in Abbreviated New Drug Applications (ANDAs)



2011 was another historic high



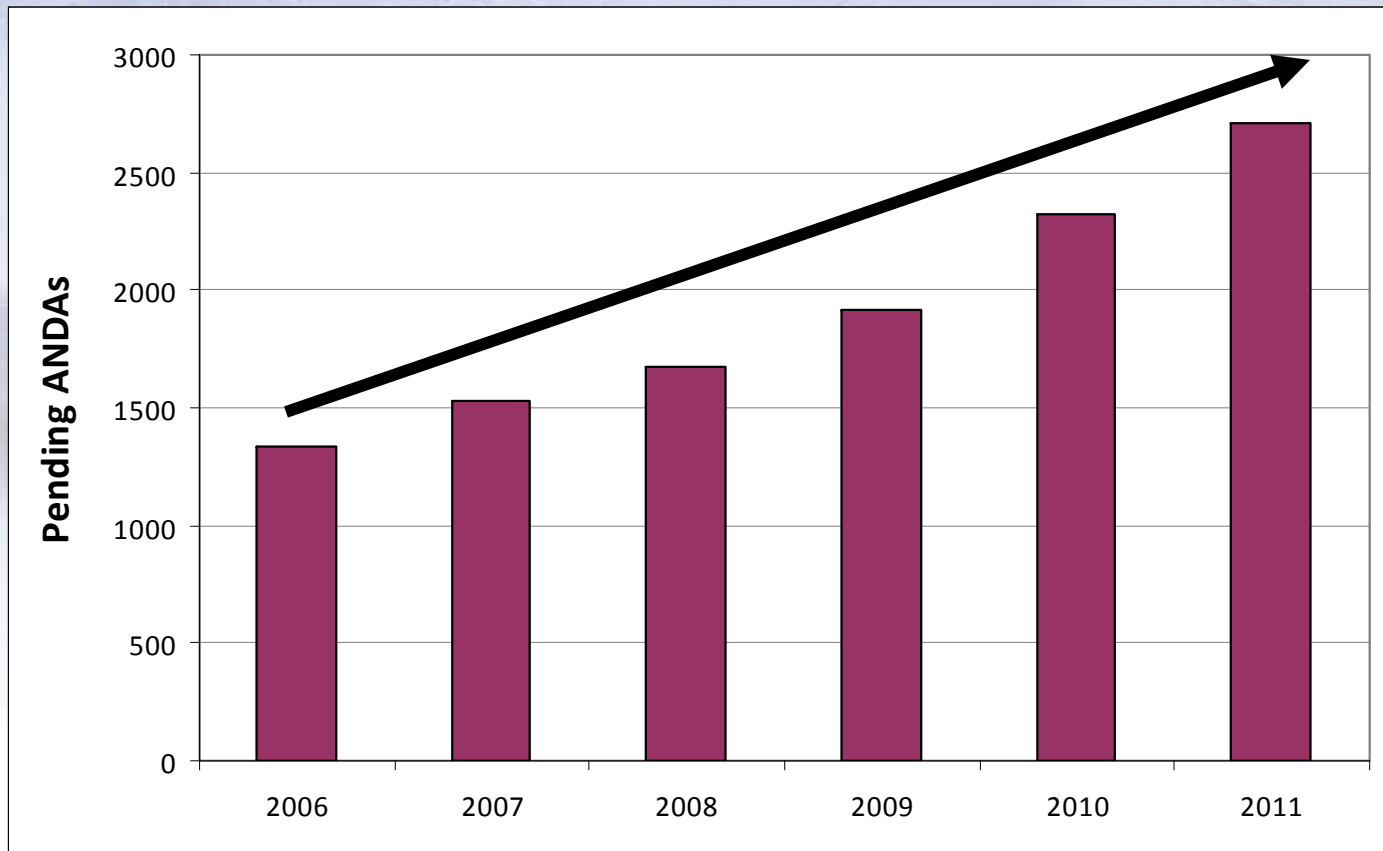
# Drug Master Files (DMFs) Also Rapidly Growing



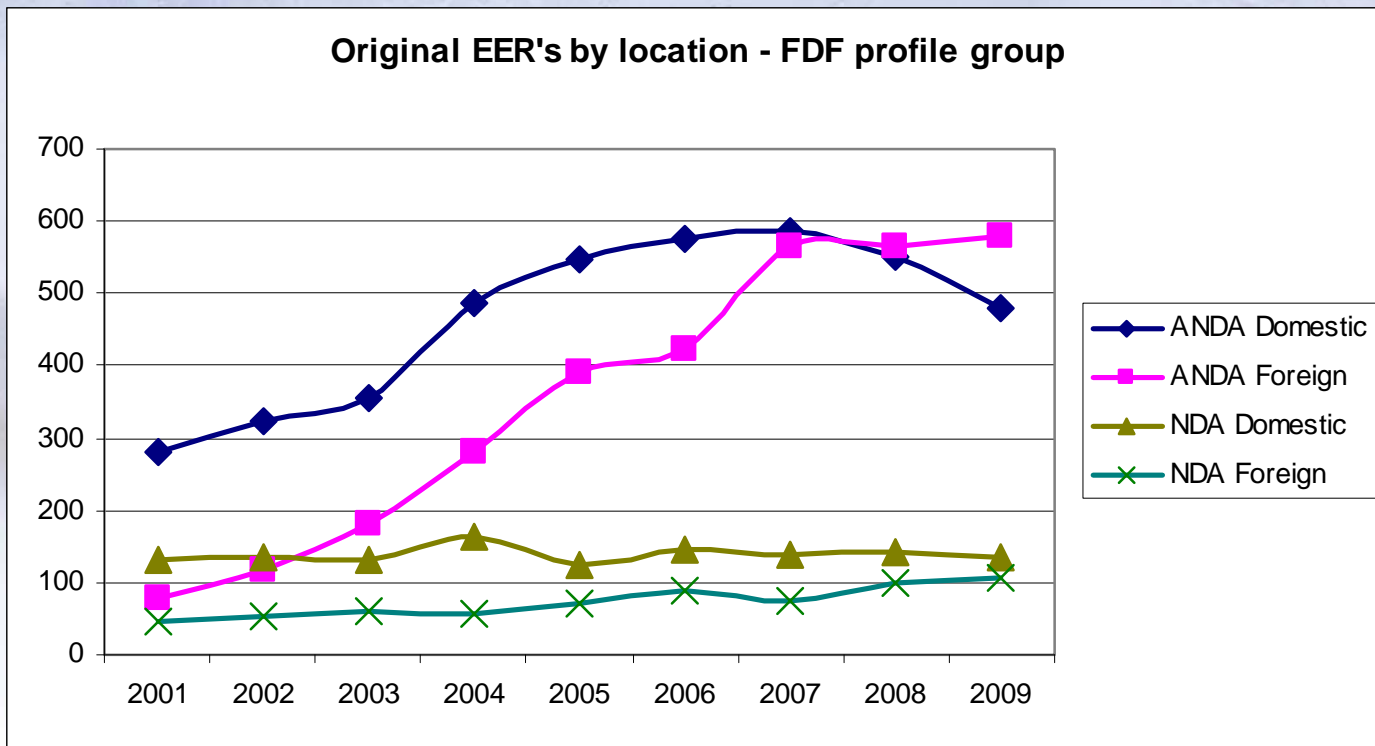
Multiple references, often years after filing

Combined, ANDAs and DMFs are approximately 10X Plus the NDA volume

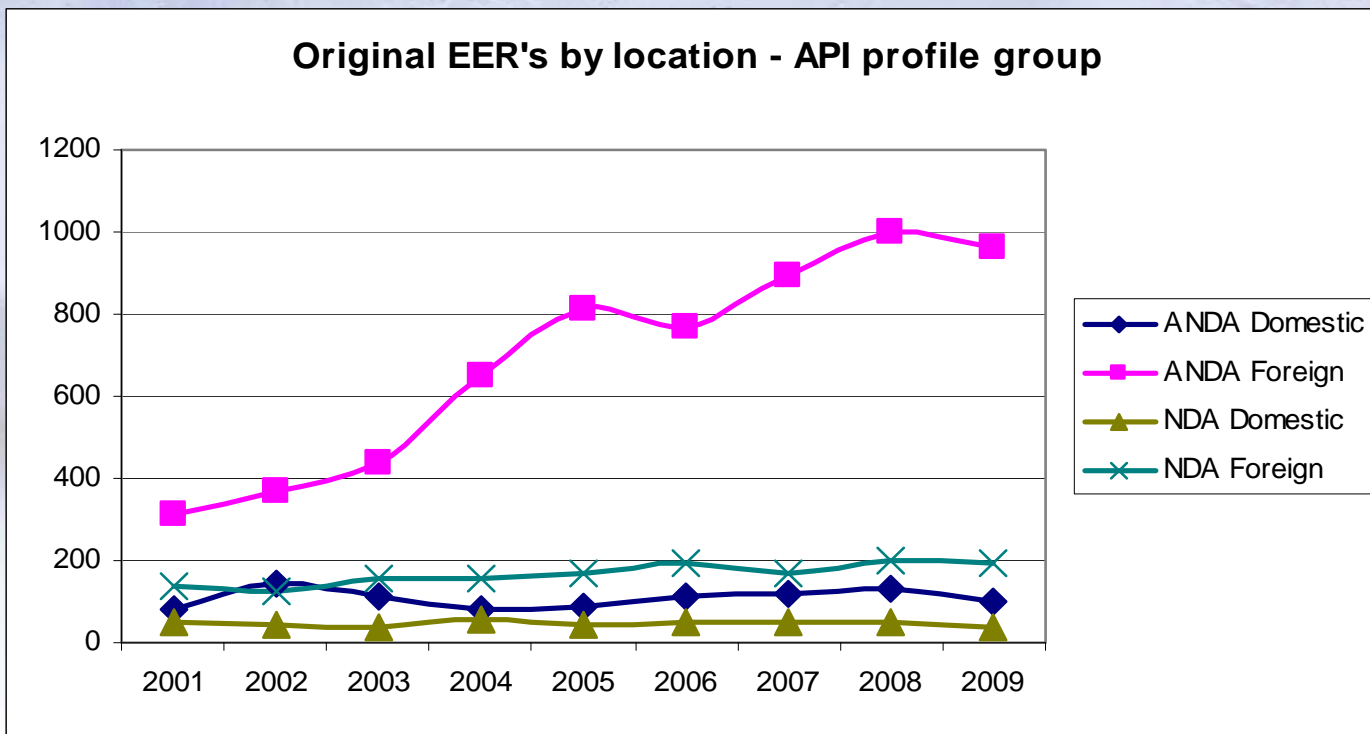
# Growth Leads To Expanding Backlog



# Increases in FDF Foreign Inspections



# Increases in Foreign API Inspections



# Focusing on Doing the Most Good

- Four walls and a roof
- Limit cost
  - \$299 million/year is Less than ½ of 1% of generic drug sales
    - Expected to reduce costs, considering the reduced development/regulatory timelines
  - Less than doubling in OGD
    - Efficiency enhancements are a critical component of GDUFA
- Ten-month review cycle
- First in, first reviewed
- Eliminate the backlog
- Risk-adjusted, biennial inspection, with parity of foreign and domestic frequency

# Outline of the Act

- Legislation
  - Authorizes collection of user fees
  - Establishes type of fees
  - Five year timeframe
- Goals Letter
  - Program scope, assumptions
  - Efficiency enhancements
    - ANDA, DMF, Inspection, Other
  - Regulatory science initiatives
  - Metrics/Goals
    - Human resources; submission review; controlled correspondence; inspections; backlog



# Legislation

## Overview

# Outline of the Act

- Funding level = inflation adjusted \$299 million/year
- Application Fees
  - Applications in the backlog (year 1 only)
  - Drug master file fee (and availability for reference list)
  - ANDA and prior approval supplement (PAS) filing fee
- Facility Fees
  - Involved in manufacture of generic drugs, whether API or Finished Dosage Form, domestic or foreign
- Individual fees calculated/published upon implementation
- Fees not linked to types of services; rather overall goals



# Fee Estimates: Public Stakeholder Meeting

- Estimates Only
  - Backlog ~ \$25K
  - DMF ~\$40K
  - ANDA ~ \$60K
  - Supplement ~ \$30K
    - for PAS only; \$0 for changes being effected (CBE)
  - Facility ~ \$85K average
    - Range estimates between \$35K (API) and \$150K (FDF)

# Outline of the Act

- Identification of facilities
- Effect of failure to pay fees
- Other provisions
  - Appropriations and spending triggers
  - Streamlined hiring authority
  - Definitions
  - Positron emission tomography (PET) drugs
  - Reauthorization



# Goals Letter

## Overview

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- Scope, assumptions, and aspirations
- Immediate efficiency enhancements
- Metrics

# Scope, Assumptions & Aspirations

- Scope limited to generics
- Assumptions impacting viability
  - Streamlined hiring
  - Risk-adjusted inspection
- Aspirations (primarily during hiring period)
  - Maintaining productivity while hiring and training

# Goals - Immediate Efficiency (ANDA)

- Complete Response letters
- Division-level deficiency review
- Rolling review
- First cycle meetings
  - 200 in FY 2015
  - 250 in FY 2016
  - 300 in FY 2017
- Expedite Paragraph IV (Day 1 submissions)
- Review goals (except backlog) applied to electronic submissions

## Goals – Immediate Efficiency (DMFs)

- Same as ANDAs
- Initial Completeness Assessment
- Available for Reference List
- DMF Completeness Letter

## Goals – Immediate Efficiency (Inspection)

- Release inspection classification and date
- Third-party foreign regulator inspection program evaluation
  - FDA will first have to determine the equivalence between a specific foreign regulator and FDA, and can then develop formal mechanisms to routinely accept the inspection of that foreign government regulatory body



# Goals – Other Efficiency and Regulatory Science

- Facility, current chemistry manufacturing control (CMC) records, and other databases
- Electronic data submission standards
- Regulatory science initiatives
  - Improves access
  - Post-market safety
  - Issue guidance

# Metrics

- Initially focused on staff and training
- Inspection
- Review metrics and cohorts similar to Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) - 10 month cycle
- Quality Focus Initiative
  - Increasing review times for poor quality or unwarranted, unsolicited amendments
  - Electronic submissions

## Metrics – Human Resources (HR)

- Hire and train 25% of incremental staff in FY 2013
- Hire and train 50% of incremental staff in FY 2014
- Strive to complete hiring and training in FY 2015

# Metrics - ANDA

- DMF and inspection subsumed
- All applications grouped in cohort year
- Original ANDA review (review and act on):
  - 60% of submissions within 15 months for year 3 cohort
  - 75% of submissions within 15 months for year 4 cohort
  - 90% of submissions within 10 months for year 5 cohort
  - Expedite paragraph IV (Day 1 Submissions) submissions for year 1 and 2 cohorts

# Metrics – ANDA Amendments

- Goals are incremental and additive
  - Pre CR application goal date adjusted
  - Post CR a new goal date from date of the new submission
  - “Delaying” amendments do not add to amendment count
- Amendments are grouped
  - Tier 1 – Solicited 1<sup>st</sup> major & 1<sup>st</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> minor, unsolicited “delaying”
    - Most favorable – (example: 90% first major within 10 months for year 5 cohort)
  - Tier 2 – Not “delaying” unsolicited
    - Less favorable – (example: 90% within 12 months for year 5 cohort)
  - Tier 3 – solicited major after 1<sup>st</sup>, unsolicited minor after 5<sup>th</sup>
    - No goals metric
  - This is a quality initiative... “get it right the first time”
  - Interim metrics apply for all – see goals letter

# Metrics – PAS

- No Inspection Required
  - 60% of submissions within 6 months for FY 2015 receipts
  - 75% of submissions within 6 months for FY 2016 receipts
  - 90% of submissions within 6 months for FY 2017 receipts
- Inspection Required
  - 60% of submissions within 10 months for FY 2015 receipts
  - 75% of submissions within 10 months for FY 2016 receipts
  - 90% of submissions within 10 months for FY 2017 receipts

## Metrics – Other

- Controlled correspondences
- Inspection metrics
  - Risk-adjusted surveillance inspection
    - Achieving biennial inspection rate and parity of foreign and domestic frequency in FY2017
  - Pre-approval inspections (PAIs) continue
- Backlog metrics
  - Review and act on 90% of backlog applications pending on Oct. 1, 2012, by end of FY 2017

# Key Achievements

- The program advances critical values
  - Timely access to safe, high quality, affordable generic drugs
  - Increases transparency
  - Addresses globalization
  - Advances regulatory science



# Next Steps

- Appropriations
- Implementation



**Questions?**

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