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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
DIVISION OF DRUGS, DEVICES, AND COSMETICS

IN RE: RULE NOs. 61N-1.001,
N-1.002, and 61N-1.003

RULE WORKSHOP

June 10th, 2015

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

1940 North Monroe Street
Board Room, Northwood Centre
Tallahassee, Florida

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PRESENT

REGINALD DIXON

RENEE ALSOBROOK

DINAH GREENE

BRITTANY GRIFFITH

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 MR. DIXON: Good morning. Today is June
3 10th, 2015. The time is approximately 9:02. My
4 name is Reginald Dixon. I'm the Executive Director
5 for the -- I'm sorry. I'm the Division Director
6 for the Division of Drugs, Devices, and Cosmetics.

7 This morning we have a -- we're having a rules
8 hearing on Rule 61N-1.001, a rule hearing -- I'm
9 sorry. We're having a rules workshop.

10 The purpose of this rules workshop is to
11 provide language to the industry, which was
12 properly noticed regarding the definitions of
13 "limited quantities" in 61N-1.001, as well as the
14 record-keeping requirements and the storage
15 requirements for those entities who will be
16 engaging in the possession of either at the
17 pharmaceutical ingredient, or prescription drugs
18 that is received in limited quantities from
19 entities outside of the state of Florida, who do
20 not have a Florida non-resident manufacturer
21 permit, or a non-resident or out-of-state wholesale
22 distributor permit.

23 This meeting is in response to -- or a
24 follow-up to our previous meeting, where we
25 received input from the industry on language that

1 we thought would facilitate the ability to engage
2 in those substances without hampering businesses in
3 the state of Florida. So what you have in front of
4 you is the -- or what you have may be online or
5 what you're looking at, is the most recent language
6 that this Division has put together. And unless we
7 receive negative input from the industry on it or
8 input that we don't believe merits a change in the
9 proposed language, this is the language that we
10 will be moving forward with in our next notice of
11 rulemaking.

12 What I would ask, as a preliminary manner,
13 before we open it up to comments from folks either
14 on the phone and in the audience, is that it's kind
15 of difficult conducting some of these meetings over
16 the phone. So if you're on the phone and you have
17 a comment, what we would appreciate you doing is
18 identifying yourself first, and then making your
19 comment. For the folks in the room, we'd ask the
20 same thing. We have a table. So we ask that you
21 come up to identify yourself just so we have a
22 correct, complete record of who appeared and who
23 made presentations before the Division.

24 What I'll do is I'll go ahead and just read
25 the language because some folks may or may not have

1 the language in front of them. And then we'll open
2 it up for comments after each.

3 The proposed language that we want with
4 regards to limited quantities, which is 61 -- it's
5 paragraph 61N-1.001(2)(n). And the Florida
6 Administrative Code reads as follows: "Limited
7 quantities pursuant to Section 499.01(3) and (4) --
8 subsection -- (4)(b) of Florida Statutes means the
9 number of transactions necessary for research and
10 development purposes, the number of transactions
11 necessary for research and development purposes to
12 obtain the final FDA approval or the number of
13 transactions necessary for research and development
14 purposes to obtain a final approval from a foreign
15 regulatory authority. All transactions must be
16 based on requirements set forth in the inquiring
17 entity's research and development records created
18 contemporaneously with the research and development
19 activity."

20 That is the language that the Division
21 proposes to file a notice of rulemaking on. And we
22 would open it up to anyone on the phone or anyone
23 in the room who may have any questions or concerns
24 that they'd like to share with the Division on that
25 proposed language.

1 Okay. Going once. Is there anyone on the
2 phone? There is no one in the room here who has
3 stepped up to the microphone. So is there anyone
4 on the phone who has anything they would like to
5 contribute or any questions they may have regarding
6 the particular language that I just read?

7 Okay. What we'll do is we'll move towards the
8 -- to the next proposed amendment. The next
9 proposed amendment deals with the records that must
10 be created. This deals with Rule 61N-1.012(17) of
11 Florida Administrative Code.

12 The proposed language reads as follows: "For
13 the purposes of prescription drugs obtained in
14 limited quantities for research and development in
15 parenthesis (R&D), purposes under Section 499.01(3)
16 and (4)(b), Florida Statutes and paragraph
17 61N-1.01(2)(n) of Florida Administrative Code, the
18 required records must identify the requirements and
19 schedule the acquisition of use of each such drug
20 relative to anticipated ongoing R&D activities.
21 These records must be created in advance or within
22 30 calendar days of the particular R&D activities
23 and are subject to inspection under Section 499.051
24 of Florida Statutes. Non-clinical/pre-clinical R&D
25 quantities must be updated annually and clinical

1 quantities must be updated semi-annually. The
2 researcher must maintain all records required
3 under Chapter 499, including, without limitations,
4 Section 499.01(3) or (4)(b) of Florida Statutes and
5 applicable federal laws."

6 Is there anyone in the room here today that
7 would like to provide any comment to the Division
8 with regards to that particular language? Okay.
9 Is there anyone on the phone, on the conference
10 call who would like to provide any comment to the
11 Division regarding that proposed language?

12 Okay. Hearing nothing, then I will go to the
13 third proposed change, which is "Storage and
14 Security Requirements" for the folks who are
15 engaging in those limited quantities. This is a
16 change to -- a proposed change to 61N-1.013(3) --
17 (d)(3) of the Florida Administrative Code. That
18 proposed language reads as follows:

19 "Prescription drugs obtained in limited
20 quantities for research and development, in
21 parenthesis (R&D) for purposes under Section
22 499.01(3) and (4)(b) of Florida Statutes, and
23 paragraph 61N-1.001(2)(n) of the Florida
24 Administrative Code, must be physically segregated
25 from all other products intended for manufacturing,

1 compounding, dispensing, or administration. In a
2 manufacturer's establishment, these drugs must also
3 be stored and maintained in a separate and clearly
4 designated area."

5 Is there anyone in the room who has any
6 comments or any input they'd like to provide to the
7 Division with regards to that proposed language?
8 Is there anyone on the phone who would like to have
9 any input or any comment that they would like to
10 provide to the Division in regards to this specific
11 language that was read?

12 Did anyone on the panel have any comments or
13 any suggestions?

14 Okay. As we have not heard from anyone, I
15 believe -- well, let me ask a question. Since this
16 rule was noticed -- or the hearing was noticed from
17 9:00 to 10:00, do we have to continue the hearing
18 until 10:00? Or can we conclude it at this point?
19 I think we have to go until 10:00. Okay. Right.
20 So --

21 MS. ALSOBROOK: I think we'll sit here.

22 MR. DIXON: Yeah. So hearing nothing, I guess
23 we will continue to -- we'll have the microphone
24 open until 10:00. And if we don't hear anything
25 after that, we will conclude the hearing at 10:00.

1 (Whereupon, a pause was had in the
2 proceeding.)

3 MR. DIXON: This is Reginald Dixon. It is
4 10:00, and we have not heard any other further
5 input with regards to the rules that we suggested.
6 So at this time, we will be concluding our rules
7 workshop.

8 The next rules workshop will start at 10:30,
9 and that will deal with the emergency -- the
10 distribution of emergency use of medical oxygen.
11 Thank you.

12 THE WITNESS: (Whereupon, the proceedings were
13 concluded at 10:00 a.m.)

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