

Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Aquatic Animal Drug Approval Partnership Program (AADAP) Attention: David Erdahl, Ph.D. Branch Chief, AADAP Program 4050 Bridger Canyon Road Bozeman, MT 59715

Re: Public Display Copy of Environmental Assessment (EA) Acceptable for Channel Catfish Pituitary for Female Channel Catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*)

Dear Dr. Erdahl:

Based upon the information you submitted on March 6, 2013, the environmental assessment (EA) titled "Environmental Assessment for Channel Catfish Pituitary as a Spawning Aid for Use in Female Channel Catfish *Ictalurus punctatus*" is considered complete and acceptable for public display. The EA was submitted in support of the approval of a new animal drug application for channel catfish pituitary (CP) as a spawning aid in female channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*). As stated in the Environmental Impact technical section complete letter dated February 22, 2013 (P-0032), the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Environmental Impact technical section remain complete.

If you submit correspondence relating to this letter, your correspondence should reference the date and the principal submission identifier. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Dr. Holly Zahner, Leader, Environmental Safety Team, at 240-276-8181. You may also contact Dr. Eric Silberhorn, Toxicologist, Environmental Safety Team, at 240-276-8224.

Sincerely,

{see appended electronic signature page}

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