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On April, 11, 2001, DVD CCA filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on August 3, 2001 (66 FR 40727).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 8, 2003. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 12, 2003 (68 FR 64124).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—USB Flash Drive Allowance (“UFDA”)

Notice is hereby given that, on January 12, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), USB Flash Drive Alliance (“UFDA”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Phison, Hsinchu, Taiwan; AddOn Technology Co., Ltd., Taipei, Taiwan; Alcor Micro Corp., Taipei, Taiwan; DataFab Systems, Inc., Taipei, Taiwan; and GlobalWare Solutions, Inc., Redwood City, CA have been added as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and UFDA intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On November 12, 2003, UFDA filed its original notification pursuant to section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on December 12, 2003 (68 FR 69423).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Ernesto A. Cantu, M.D., Revocation of Registration

On January 9, 2003, the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), issued an Order to Show Cause to Ernesto A. Cantu, M.D. (Dr. Cantu). Dr. Cantu was notified of an opportunity to show cause as to why DEA should not revoke his DEA Certificate of Registration, AC9115660, under 21 U.S.C. 824(a)(3), (a)(4), and 823(f), for reason that his continued registration would be inconsistent with the public interest. The order also notified Dr. Cantu that should no request for a hearing be filed within 30 days, his hearing right would be deemed waived.

The Order to Show Cause was sent by certified mail to Dr. Cantu at his registered location in San Antonio, Texas, but was subsequently returned to DEA with a post office notation “Returned to Sender—Unclaimed” stamped to the mailing envelope. According to the investigative file, a second copy of the Order to Show Cause was sent by facsimile machine on February 11, 2003, to Dr. Cantu’s attorney who accepted service on behalf of his client. Nevertheless, DEA has not received a request for hearing or any other reply from Dr. Cantu or anyone purporting to represent him in this matter.

Therefore, the Acting Deputy Administrator of DEA, finding that (1) thirty days having passed since the attempted delivery of the Order to Show Cause at Dr. Cantu’s registered address, (2) the Order to Show Cause having been returned and DEA’s unsuccessful attempts at redelivery of the same, and (3) no request for hearing having been received, concludes that Dr. Cantu is deemed to have waived his hearing right. *See David W. Linder*, 67 FR 12579 (2002). After considering material from the investigative file in this matter, the

Acting Deputy Administrator now enters her final order without a hearing pursuant to 21 CFR 1301.43(d) and (e) and 1301.46.

The Deputy Administrator finds that on December 7, 2001, Dr. Cantu entered into an Agreed Order with the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners (Board). One finding of the Agreed Order was that Dr. Cantu entered into a financial relationship with Pill Box Pharmacy (Pill Box), a drug store-pharmacy concern located in San Antonio, Texas, to provide controlled substances to individuals over the internet. The Agreed Order recounted that Pill Box ran an internet site which provided controlled substances and dangerous drugs to individuals in Texas and throughout the United States. The Agreed Order also found that Dr. Cantu agreed to provide consultations on behalf of the pharmacy in exchange for financial compensation.

The Board’s Agreed Order also found that between January 1, 2000 and July 2001, Dr. Cantu issued “well over 10,000 prescriptions” for controlled substances and dangerous drugs through Pill Box, without establishing a proper physician-patient relationship or performing a mental or physical exam. The Agreed Order further recounted instances where Dr. Cantu permitted his girl friend to represent herself as a doctor and provide telephone consultations with patients in connection with the internet prescribing of controlled substances. The Agreed Order further found that Dr. Cantu issued numerous prescriptions for controlled substances to individuals he had never met or examined, and in some instances, Dr. Cantu’s prescribing to these customers furthered their addictions to drugs. Dr. Cantu was also found to have issued a fictitious prescription for injectable Demerol, a Schedule II controlled substance, in the name of a patient that never received the prescription or the drug, and the Board also found probable cause to believe that Dr. Cantu and his girlfriend were abusing Demerol.

As part of the Agreed Order, the Board ordered the suspension of Dr. Cantu’s medical license for no less than one year until such time as Dr. Cantu requests in writing to have the suspension stayed or lifted and personally appears before the Board to demonstrate his fitness to practice medicine. There is no evidence before the Acting Deputy Administrator however, that Dr. Cantu’s license to practice medicine in the State of Texas has been reinstated.

Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 824(a), the Acting Deputy Administrator may

revoke a DEA Certificate of Registration if she finds that the registrant has had his state license revoked and is no longer authorized to dispense controlled substances or has committed such acts as would render his registration contrary to the public interest as determined by factors listed in 21 U.S.C. 823(f). *Thomas B. Pelkowski, D.D.S.*, 57 FR 28538 (1992). Despite the Board's findings regarding Dr. Cantu's inappropriate handling of controlled substances, and notwithstanding the other public interest factors for the revocation of his DEA registration asserted herein, the more relevant consideration here is the present status of Dr. Cantu's state authorization to handle controlled substances.

DEA does not have statutory authority under the Controlled Substances Act to issue or maintain a registration if the applicant or registrant is without state authority to handle controlled substances in the state in which he conducts business. See 21 U.S.C. 802(21), 823(f) and 824(a)(3). This prerequisite has been consistently upheld. See *Joseph Thomas Allevi, M.D.*, 67 FR 35581 (2002); *Dominick A. Ricci, M.D.*, 58 FR 51104 (1993); *Bobby Watts, M.D.*, 53 FR 11919 (1988).

Here, it is clear that Dr. Cantu's medical license has been suspended, and as a result, he is not licensed to handle controlled substances in Texas where he is registered with DEA. Therefore, he is not entitled to a DEA registration in that state. Because Dr. Cantu lacks state authorization to handle controlled substances, the Acting Deputy Administrator concludes that it is unnecessary to address further whether his DEA registration should be revoked based upon the public interest grounds asserted in the Order to Show Cause. See *Samuel Silas Jackson, D.D.S.*, 67 FR 65145 (2002); *Nathaniel-Aikens-Afful, M.D.*, 62 FR 16871 (1997); *Sam F. Moore, D.V.M.*, 58 FR 14428 (1993).

Accordingly, the Acting Deputy Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, pursuant to the authority vested in her by 21 U.S.C. 823 and 824 and 28 CFR 0.100(b) and 0.104, hereby orders that DEA Certificate of Registration, AC9115660, issued to Ernesto A. Cantu, M.D., be, and it hereby is, revoked. The Acting Deputy Administrator further orders that any pending applications for renewal or modification of such registration be, and they hereby are, denied. This order is effective March 15, 2004.

Dated: January 20, 2004.

Michele M. Leonhart,

Acting Deputy Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Donald W. Kreutzer, M.D.; Revocation of Registration

On October 7, 2003, the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), issued an Order to Show Cause to Donald W. Kreutzer, M.D. (Dr. Kreutzer) of Clarksville, Missouri, notifying him of an opportunity to show cause as to why DEA should not revoke his DEA Certificate of Registration AK5325914 under 21 U.S.C. 824(a) and deny any pending applications for renewal or modification of that registration. As a basis for revocation, the Order to Show Cause alleged that Dr. Kreutzer is not currently authorized to practice medicine or handle controlled substances in Missouri, his state of registration and practice. The order also notified Dr. Kreutzer that should no request for a hearing be filed within 30 days, his hearing right would be deemed waived.

The Order to Show Cause was sent by certified mail to Dr. Kreutzer at his address of record at 14713 Pike County Road 245, Clarksville, Missouri 63336. According to the return receipt, the Order was accepted by Dr. Kreutzer on or around October 16, 2003. DEA has not received a request for hearing or any other reply from Dr. Kreutzer or anyone purporting to represent him in this matter.

Therefore, the Acting Deputy Administrator, finding that (1) 30 days have passed since the receipt of the Order to Show Cause, and (2) no request for a hearing having been received, concludes that Dr. Kreutzer is deemed to have waived his hearing right. See *Samuel S. Jackson, D.D.S.* 67 FR 65145 (2002); *David W. Linder*, 67 FR 12579 (2002). After considering material from the investigative file, the Acting Deputy Administrator now enters her final order without a hearing pursuant to 21 CFR 1301.43(d) and (e) and 1301.46.

The Acting Deputy Administrator finds that Dr. Kreutzer possesses DEA Certificate of Registration AK5325914, which expires on December 31, 2004. The Acting Deputy Administrator further finds that on or about April 16, 2003, in *State of Illinois v. Donald*

Kreutzer, Case No. 99-CF-57 in the Circuit Court of Gallatin County, State of Illinois, Dr. Kreutzer was convicted of fourteen felony counts of Delivery of a Controlled Substance and one felony count of Public Aid Vendor Fraud.

On July 18, 2003, the Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts (the Board) conducted a hearing pursuant to a Complaint filed against Dr. Kreutzer, alleging inter alia, that he had been convicted of the above felony counts and that his Missouri medical license was subject to automatic revocation. Dr. Kreutzer appeared at the hearing and on August 8, 2003, the Board issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Disciplinary Order sustaining the accusations and revoking Dr. Kreutzer's license to practice medicine in the State of Missouri for a period of five years.

The investigative file contains no evidence that the Board's Order has been stayed or that Dr. Kreutzer's medical license has been reinstated. Therefore, the Acting Deputy Administrator finds that Dr. Kreutzer is not currently authorized to practice medicine in the State of Missouri. As a result, it is reasonable to infer he is also without authorization to handle controlled substances in that state.

DEA does not have statutory authority under the Controlled Substances Act to issue or maintain a registration if the applicant or registrant is without state authority to handle controlled substances in the state in which he conducts business. See 21 U.S.C. 802(21), 823(f) and 824(a)(3). This prerequisite has been consistently upheld. See *Muttaiya Darmarajeh, M.D.*, 66 FR 52936 (2001); *Dominick A. Ricci, M.D.*, 58 FR 51104 (1993); *Bobby Watts, M.D.*, 53 FR 11919 (1988).

Here, it is clear that Dr. Kreutzer's medical license has been revoked and he is not licensed to handle controlled substances in Missouri, where he is registered with DEA. Therefore, he is not entitled to a DEA registration in that state.

Accordingly, the Acting Deputy Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, pursuant to the authority vested in her by 21 U.S.C. 823 and 824 and 28 CFR 0.100(b) and 0.104, hereby orders that DEA Certificate of Registration AK53225914, issued to Donald W. Kreutzer, M.D., be, and it hereby is, revoked. The Acting Deputy Administrator further orders that any pending applications for renewal of such registration be, and they hereby are, denied. This order is effective March 15, 2004.