

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Food and Drug Administration**

[Docket No. FDA-2020-P-0678]

**Determination That DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (Dextrose) Injectable, 30 Grams/100 Milliliters, 40 Grams/100 Milliliters, 60 Grams/100 Milliliters, and 70 Grams/100 Milliliters, Were Not Withdrawn From Sale for Reasons of Safety or Effectiveness**

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) has determined that DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 grams (g)/100 milliliters (mL), 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, were not withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness. This determination will allow FDA to approve abbreviated new drug applications (ANDAs) for dextrose injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, if all other legal and regulatory requirements are met.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 1984, Congress enacted the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98-417) (the 1984 amendments), which authorized the approval of duplicate versions of drug products under an ANDA procedure. ANDA applicants must, with certain exceptions, show that the drug for which they are seeking approval contains the same active ingredient in the same strength and dosage form as the “listed drug,” which is a version of the drug that was previously approved. ANDA applicants do not have to repeat the extensive clinical testing otherwise necessary to gain approval of a new drug application (NDA).

The 1984 amendments include what is now section 505(j)(7) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(j)(7)), which requires FDA to publish a list of all approved drugs. FDA publishes this list as part of the “Approved Drug Products With Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations,” which is known generally as the

“Orange Book.” Under FDA regulations, drugs are removed from the list if the Agency withdraws or suspends approval of the drug’s NDA or ANDA for reasons of safety or effectiveness or if FDA determines that the listed drug was withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness (21 CFR 314.162).

A person may petition the Agency to determine, or the Agency may determine on its own initiative, whether a listed drug was withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness. This determination may be made at any time after the drug has been withdrawn from sale, but must be made prior to approving an ANDA that refers to the listed drug (§ 314.161 (21 CFR 314.161)). FDA may not approve an ANDA that does not refer to a listed drug.

DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, are the subject of NDA 017521, held by Baxter Healthcare Corporation, and initially approved on August 28, 1979. DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER is indicated as a source of calories for patients requiring parenteral nutrition when oral or enteral nutrition is not possible, insufficient or contraindicated. DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, are currently listed in the “Discontinued Drug Product List” section of the Orange Book.

Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC, submitted a citizen petition dated February 6, 2020 (Docket No. FDA-2020-P-0678), under 21 CFR 10.30, requesting that the Agency determine whether DEXTROSE 70% IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 70 g/100 mL, was withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness. Although the citizen petition did not address the 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, or 60 g/100 mL strengths, those strengths have also been discontinued. On our own initiative, we have also determined whether those strengths were withdrawn for safety or effectiveness reasons.

After considering the citizen petition and reviewing Agency records and based on the information we have at this time, FDA has determined under § 314.161 that DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, were not withdrawn for reasons of safety or effectiveness. The petitioner has identified no data or other information suggesting that DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, were withdrawn for reasons of safety or effectiveness. We have carefully

reviewed our files for records concerning the withdrawal of DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, from sale. We have also independently evaluated relevant literature and data for possible postmarketing adverse events. We have found no information that would indicate that this drug product was withdrawn from sale for reasons of safety or effectiveness.

Accordingly, the Agency will continue to list DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, in the “Discontinued Drug Product List” section of the Orange Book. The “Discontinued Drug Product List” delineates, among other items, drug products that have been discontinued from marketing for reasons other than safety or effectiveness. ANDAs that refer to DEXTROSE IN PLASTIC CONTAINER (dextrose) injectable, 30 g/100 mL, 40 g/100 mL, 60 g/100 mL, and 70 g/100 mL, may be approved by the Agency as long as they meet all other legal and regulatory requirements for the approval of ANDAs. If FDA determines that labeling for this drug product should be revised to meet current standards, the Agency will advise ANDA applicants to submit such labeling.

Dated: June 18, 2020.

**Lowell J. Schiller,**

*Principal Associate Commissioner for Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**National Institute on Aging; Notice of Closed Meeting**

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.