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Re:

Docket No. FDA-2019-P-2998

Dear Dr. Bennett:

I am writing to inform you that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has not yet resolved the issues raised in your citizen petition received on June 20, 2019. Your petition requests that FDA require changes in the labeling for Levaquin (levofloxacin) to include Fluoroquinolone Associated Disability and Psychiatric Adverse Events to the Boxed Warning and require a risk evaluation and mitigation strategy (REMS) for Levaquin.

FDA has been unable to reach a decision on your petition due to the need to address other Agency priorities. This interim response is provided in accordance with FDA regulations on citizen petitions (21 CFR 10.30(e)(2)). We will respond to your petition as soon as possible given the numerous demands on the Agency's resources.

Sincerely,

Carol J. Bennett

Deputy Director

Office of Regulatory Policy

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