

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING

April 12, 2013

9200 Corporate Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20850

Attendees: Mitchell Zeller, Richard Turman, Eric Lindblom, Beverly Chernaik, Ann Simoneau, Corinne Husten – Center for Tobacco Products (CTP)

Doug Blanke, Director, Tobacco Control Legal Consortium (TCLC), Joelle Lester, Staff Attorney, TCLC, Dr. Valerie Yerger, Naturopathic Doctor and Health Policy Researcher at the University of California, San Francisco – Public Health Leaders Petitioning the FDA

Subject: Citizen Petition to the FDA Related to Prohibiting Menthol as a Characterizing Flavor in Cigarettes

- Petitioners presented to CTP staff a copy of a citizen petition that it said it had filed that day with FDA's Division of Dockets Management. In the petition, TCLC and other petitioners request that FDA take immediate action to prohibit menthol as a characterizing flavoring in cigarettes and cigarette smoke.
- Petitioners identified the signatories to the petition and explained that it had submitted many references in support of the petition.
- CTP staff explained that they could not discuss the petition with the petitioners. CTP further noted that it intended to follow established procedures for reviewing and responding to the petition.

Beverly Chernaik
Director, Office of Regulations