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THE MARKETING OF HEART VALVES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

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2. Member State

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3. Department Responsible

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3. Originating Department

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/MEDICAL DEVICES DIRECTORATE

4. Notification Number

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5. Title

THE MARKETING OF HEART VALVES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

6. Products Concerned

HEART VALVE PROSTHESES

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

THE DOCUMENT PROVIDES GUIDANCE ON PARTICULAR ASPECTS OF THE MANUFACTURE, TESTING AND POST-MARKET SURVEILLANCE OF HEART VALVE PROSTHESES.

THE GUIDANCE IS INTENDED TO ASSIST MANUFACTURERS BY CLARIFYING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S VIEWS ON THE MINIMUM MEASURES CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE FOR ENSURING THE SAFETY OF HEART VALVE PROSTHESES IN HUMAN SUBJECTS.

THE DOCUMENT WAS PREPARED IN CONSULTATION WITH SEVERAL MANUFACTURERS OF THESE PRODUCTS.

THE DOCUMENT HAS NO LEGAL STATUS.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

THE SAFETY AND LONG TERM RELIABILITY OF HEART VALVE PROSTHESES HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF MUCH PUBLICITY IN RECENT YEARS.

IN THE UNITED KINGDOM THERE IS NO SPECIFIC LEGISLATION CONCERNING THESE PRODUCTS AND CONTROL IS ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.

THE GUIDANCE BRINGS TOGETHER ADVICE THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO MANUFACTURERS ON AN INFORMAL BASIS, SO THAT THE UNITED KINGDOM CAN SEEK THEIR CO-OPERATION IN ENSURING MINIMUM SAFETY STANDARDS ARE MET.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

DRAFT DOCUMENT:

THE MARKETING OF HEART VALVES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure NO

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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