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The appendix to the petition for a writ of certiorari includes the wrong order denying marketing authorization to respondent Paradigm Distribution. See Pet. App. 16a-20a. The correct order is reprinted in the appendix to this brief. We apologize for the error.

Respectfully submitted.

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U.S. Food & Drug Administration
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Sept. 10, 2021

DENIAL

Paradigm Distribution
Attention: William Wikstrom, CEO/Owner
5315 Old Highway 11 Suite 2
Hattiesburg, MS 39402

FDA Submission Tracking Numbers (STNs): PM0001094,
see Appendix A

Dear Mr. Wikstrom:

We are denying a marketing granted order for the products identified in Appendix A.

Based on our review of your PMTAs¹, we determined that the new products, as described in your applications and specified in Appendix A, lack sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the marketing of these products is appropriate for the protection of the public health (APPH). Therefore, you cannot introduce or deliver for introduction these products into interstate commerce in the United States. Doing so is a prohibited act under section 301(a) of the FD&C Act, the violation of which could result in enforcement action by FDA.

¹ Premarket Tobacco Product Application (PMTA) submitted under section 910 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act)

If you choose to submit new applications for these products, you must fulfill all requirements set forth in section 910(b)(1). You may provide information to fulfill some of these requirements by including an authorization for FDA to cross-reference a Tobacco Product Master File.² You may not cross-reference information submitted in the PMTAs subject to this Denial.

Based on review of your PMTAs, we identified the following key basis for our determination:

1. All of your PMTAs lack sufficient evidence demonstrating that your flavored ENDS will provide a benefit to adult users that would be adequate to outweigh the risks to youth. In light of the known risks to youth of marketing flavored ENDS, robust and reliable evidence is needed regarding the magnitude of the potential benefit to adult smokers. This evidence could have been provided using a randomized controlled trial and/or longitudinal cohort study that demonstrated the benefit of your flavored ENDS products over an appropriate comparator tobacco-flavored ENDS. Alternatively, FDA would consider other evidence but only if it reliably and robustly evaluated the impact of the new flavored vs. tobacco-flavored products on adult smokers' switching or cigarette reduction over time. We did not find such evidence in your PMTAs. Without this information, FDA concludes that your application is insufficient to demonstrate that these products would provide an added benefit that is

² See guidelines at <https://www.fda.gov/regulatory-information/search-fda-guidance-documents/tobacco-product-master-files>

adequate to outweigh the risks to youth and, therefore, cannot find that permitting the marketing of your new tobacco products would be appropriate for the protection of the public health.

We cannot find that the marketing of your new tobacco products is APPH. The review concluded that key evidence demonstrating APPH is absent. Therefore, scientific review did not proceed to assess other aspects of the applications. FDA finds that it is not practicable to identify at this time an exhaustive list of all possible deficiencies.

Your PMTAs lack sufficient information to support a finding of APPH; therefore, we are issuing a marketing denial order. Upon issuance of this order, your products are misbranded under section 903(a)(6) of the FD&C Act and adulterated under section 902(6)(A) of the FD&C Act. Failure to comply with the FD&C Act may result in FDA regulatory action without further notice. These actions may include, but are not limited to, civil money penalties, seizure, and/or injunction.

We encourage you to submit all regulatory correspondence electronically via the CTP Portal^{3,4} using eSubmitter.⁵ Alternatively, submissions may be mailed to:

Food and Drug Administration
Center for Tobacco Products
Document Control Center (DCC)

³ For more information about CTP Portal, see <https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/manufacturing/submit-documents-ctp-portal>

⁴ FDA's Electronic Submission Gateway (ESG) is still available as an alternative to the CTP Portal.

⁵ For more information about eSubmitter, see <https://www.fda.gov/industry/fda-esubmitter>

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The CTP Portal and FDA's Electronic Submission Gateway (ESG) are generally available 24 hours a day, seven days a week; submissions are considered received by DCC on the day of successful upload. Submissions delivered to DCC by courier or physical mail will be considered timely if received during delivery hours on or before the due date⁶; if the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the delivery must be received on or before the preceding business day. We are unable to accept regulatory submissions by e-mail.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Jokoh, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at (301) 796-0502 or Michael.Jokoh@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by Matthew R. Holman -S
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Enclosures: (if provided electronically, the Appendix is not included in physical mail):

Appendix A—New Tobacco Products Subject of This Letter

⁶ <https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/about-center-tobacco-products-ctp/contact-ctp>