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To: All Licensed Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and/or Importers of Medicines in South Africa and Price File Managers

THE ANNUAL CLOSING OF THE 2015 RECEIPT OF THE SINGLE EXIT PRICES (SEP) SUBMISSIONS/APPLICATIONS MADE IN TERMS OF THE REGULATIONS RELATING TO A TRANSPARENT PRICING SYSTEM FOR MEDICINES AND SCHEDULED SUBSTANCES

- 1. The above matter refers-
 - 1.1 The National Department of Health's Pharmaceutical Economic Evaluations (PEE) Directorate hereby informs you that there will be no receipt or processing of routine SEP updates in terms of the Regulations Relating to a Transparent Pricing System for Medicines and Scheduled Substances for the period 1st December 2015 to 8th January 2016 (including both dates). The last date for receiving SEP submissions will be 12 noon on 30th November 2015.
- 1.2 The last date of receiving 2015 applications for the exceptional SEP increase made in terms of Regulation 9 of the Regulations was 30th September 2015. Receiving of applications for the exceptional SEP increase made in terms of Regulation 9 will resume when the Minister of Health has made a pronouncement on the SEP adjustment in terms of Regulation 8 for 2016.

1.3 The categories of submissions affected by the close-off period includes, new medicine launches, re-introduction of a medicine previously available in the market, introduction of the SEP for new pack size of an existing medicine, permanent and non-permanent SEP reductions, increase post SEP reduction (non permanent), medicine SEP discontinuation, existing medicine details amendments, Regulation 9 applications as well as post Regulation 9 SEP approval.

2. For any further enquiries on this matter, please contact Ms Morongwa Mashaba at 012 395 8184/ 8187 or email sepupdates@health.gov.za

Yours sincerely

♦ NOTIFICATION: PHARMACEUTICAL ECONOMIC EVALUATION

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