Granules Pharmaceuticals Issues Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Metformin ER Tablets USP, 750 mg Due to the Detection of NDMA Impurity

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Granules Pharmaceuticals, Inc., is voluntarily recalling twelve (12) lots of Metformin Hydrochloride (HCl) Extended-Release (ER) Tablets USP, 750 mg, 100 and 500 count bottles within expiry to the consumer level due to the detection of N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) levels above the acceptable daily intake limit.

Granules’ test results showed NDMA levels above the FDA’s acceptable limit in one (1) out of the twelve (12) batches distributed to the United States (US) market. All other batches continue to remain within the specifications. Out of abundance of caution, Granules Pharmaceuticals has decided to voluntarily recall all twelve (12) of the distributed lots within expiry of Metformin HCl ER Tablets USP, 750 mg from the market.

Granules Pharmaceuticals, Inc. has not received any reports of adverse events that have been confirmed to be directly related to this recall as of the date of this letter.

Granules’ Metformin HCl Immediate-Release (IR) Tablets USP, 500 mg, 850 mg, & 1,000 mg and Metformin HCl ER Tablets USP, 500 mg are not affected by this recall.

Risk Statement: NDMA is classified as a probable human carcinogen (a substance that could cause cancer) based on results from laboratory tests. NDMA is a known environmental contaminant and found in water and foods, including meats, dairy products, and vegetables.

Metformin HCl ER Tablets USP, 750 mg are indicated as an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve blood sugar control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus. The metformin ER tablets, 750 mg, lots subject to the recall are identified in the table on the following page.
The affected metformin ER tablets, 750 mg, lots were distributed nationwide in the US directly to distributors and retailers. Granules Pharmaceuticals is in the process of notifying its distributors and customers affected by this recall via mail (FedEx standard overnight) by mailing a recall notification letter and is arranging for return of the entire recalled product. Anyone with an existing inventory of the product should quarantine the recalled lots immediately.

Customers and patients with questions regarding this recall or wishing to return product may contact Inmar Pharmaceutical Services product recall processor to obtain instructions and a return kit for returning their medication:

- Contact Inmar at 888-985-9117 (hours of operation: 9 AM to 5 PM Eastern Time, Monday through Friday) or email Inmar at: rxrecalls@inmar.com
- Inmar will provide the materials needed to return their medication and instructions for reimbursement

If you would like to report any adverse reactions or quality problems experienced with the use of this product you may contact Granules Drug Safety by phone at 1-877-770-3183 Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM EST, or via email at drugs.safety@granulesindia.com.

Adverse reactions or quality problems experienced with the use of this product may be reported to the FDA’s MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program either online, by regular mail, or by fax.

- Complete and submit the report Online
- Regular Mail or Fax: Download form or call 1-800-332-1088 to request a reporting form, then complete and return to the address on the pre-addressed form, or submit by fax to 1-800-FDA-0178

This recall is being conducted with the knowledge of the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

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