POLICY ON BLENDING OF BATCHES (API)

INTRODUCTION:

This document provides the policy for mixing of multiple batches of API within the same specification to produce a homogeneous batch.

SCOPE:

This policy is applicable to blending of API batches atAPI sites.

POLICY DETAILS:

- ♦ There shall be procedure in place for API blending operation.
- ♦ Each batch selected for blending shall be manufactured using similar process, individually tested and found to meet specifications prior to blending.
- ♦ Each blended batch shall have a unique batch number, which shall indicate that it is blended
 - batch. Out-of-Specification batches shall not be blended with other released batches.
- The batch record of the blending process shall allow traceability of individual batches utilised in the blend.
 - Blended batch shall be tested for conformance to established release specification.
- Blending operation shall be validated as per pre-approved protocol.
- The expiry or retest date of the blended batch shall be based on the manufacturing date of the oldest tailings or batch in the blend.
- Stability testing shall be performed on blended batch, if assessed by Quality Assurance that blending could adversely affect stability.

AMENDMENT AND WAIVER:

The company reserves the right to amend, alter and/or terminate this policy at any time.

DEFINITION:

Blending : A process of combining materials within the same specification to produce a

homogeneous API.

ABBREVIATIONS:

API : Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient

ICH : The International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for

Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use

REFERENCES:

ICH Q7 Good Manufacturing Practices Guide for Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient.