No. 31015/60/2013-PI.I GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

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B Wing, Janpath Bhavan, New Delhi

<u>ORDER</u>

Subject: Review applications filed by M/s Unichem Laboratories Ltd. against NPPA notification Nos. S.O.1621(E) and 1685(E), dated 14.6.2013, 1793(E), 1794(E), 1811(E) and 1817(E) dated 21.6.2013, 1872(E), 1875(E) and 1908(E) dated 28.6.2013 fixing ceiling price of scheduled medicines under Drugs (Prices) Control) Order, 2013 (DPCO, 2013).

Whereas Government of India, vide price fixation Orders as mentioned below fixed ceiling price of scheduled medicine as mentioned against each of the order:

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S. No. Notification No. & Date		Name of the formulation
1.	S.O. 1621 (E) dated 14.06.2013	Warfarin Sodium Tablets (5 mg)
2.	S.O. 1685 (E) dated 14.06.2013	Olanzapine Tablet (10 mg)
3.	S.O. 1793 (E) dated 21.06.2013	Albendazole Tablets (400 mg)
4.	S.O. 1794 (E) dated 21.06.2013	Albendazole suspension (200 mg/5 ml)
5.	S.O. 1811 (E) dated 21.06.2013	Atorvastatin Tablets (10 mg)
6.	S.O.1817 (E) dated 21.06.2013	Alprazolam (0.25mg)
7.	S.O.1872 (E) dated 28.06.2013	Tramadol Capsule (50 mg)
8.	S.O.1875 (E) dated 28.06.2013	Cetrizine Tablets (10 mg)
9.	S.O.1908 (E) dated 28.06.2013	Alprazolam (0.5mg)

2. And whereas aggrieved by the above notifications M/s Unichem Laboratories Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the Petitioners) had represented to the reviewing authority against the said price fixation. Personal hearing was granted to the Petitioners by the Department of Pharmaceuticals on 11.9.2013. The Petitioners were represented by S/Shri Rakesh Pareikh, S. Kumar and K. Venkatesh. On behalf of the NPPA Shri S.K. Bhatt, Deputy Director (Tech) attended the hearing.

3. The issues involved in the review application have been examined based on the record of note of discussions of the personal hearing, other documents on record and the Government has decided as under:

NPPA is directed to revalidate the data under para 9 of the DPCO, 2013 through a broad based survey i.e. IMS Health data to be placed on website of NPPA, NPPA should seek further information from all sources through the website within a specified time frame i.e. 15 days and do the revalidation exercise. Till such time a decision on inclusion/ exclusion of

modified releases is taken by the Government, the Petitioners have to maintain the ceiling prices notified by NPPA.

Issued on this date 20th December, 2013.

(Roshan Lal) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India For and on behalf of the President of India

- To 1. The Member Secretary, National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority, YMCA Cultural Centre Building, New Delhi-110001
- M/s Unichem Laboratories Ltd. Unichem Bhavan, Prabhat Estate, S.V. Road, Jogeshwari (West), Mumbai 400102

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- 1. PS to Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi for information.
- 2. Sr. PPS to Secretary (Pharma), Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi for information.
- 3. The Chairman, NPPA, YMCA Cultural Centre Building, New Delhi for information