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Lupin receives Tentative Approval for Generic Glumetza® Extended-Release Tablets

Mumbai / Baltimore, January 30, 2012: Pharma Major Lupin Limited announced today that its U.S. subsidiary, Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (LPI) has received tentative approval for its Metformin Hydrochloride Extended Release Tablets (HCl ER) 500 mg and 1000 mg from the United States Food and Drugs Administration (FDA).

Lupin's Metformin HCl ER Tablets, 500 mg and 1000 mg strengths are the AB-rated generic equivalent of Santarus, Inc.'s Glumetza® HCl ER Tablets, 500 mg and 1000 mg strengths. Metformin HCl ER tablets is a biguanide and is indicated as an adjunct to diet and exercise to improve glycemic control in adults with type 2 diabetes mellitus.

Glumetza® HCl ER tablets, 500 mg and 1000 mg had annual U.S sales of approximately US\$ 58 million, for the twelve months ending Sep, 2011 (IMS Health data). Lupin believes that it is the first applicant to file an ANDA for Glumetza® HCL ER Tablets, 500 mg & 1000 mg strengths and as such will be entitled to 180 days of marketing exclusivity.

About Lupin Limited

Headquartered in Mumbai, India, Lupin is an innovation led transnational pharmaceutical company producing a wide range of generic and branded formulations and APIs. The Company today has significant presence in the Cardiovascular, Diabetology, Asthma, Pediatrics, CNS, GI, Anti-Infectives and NSAID space in addition to holding global leadership positions in the Anti-TB and Cephalosporin segments.

Lupin is the 5th largest and fastest growing generics player in the US (5.1% market share by prescriptions, IMS Health), the only Asian company to achieve that distinction. The company is also the fastest growing top 10 pharmaceutical player in India, Japan and South Africa (IMS).

For the financial year ended March 2011, Lupin's Consolidated Revenues and Profit after Tax were Rs.57,068 Million (USD 1.28 Billion) and Rs. 8,626 Million (USD 193 Million) respectively. Please visit <http://www.lupinworld.com> for more information about Lupin Ltd.

About Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is the U.S. wholly owned subsidiary of Lupin Limited. Headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland, Lupin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is committed to delivering high-quality, affordable generic medicines and branded formulations trusted by healthcare professionals and patients across geographies. For more information, visit <http://www.lupinpharmaceuticals.com>

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