8212 COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF STANDARD STOCK-LISTED SEDATIVE-HYPNOTICS

BACKGROUND:

1. <u>ITEM IDENT</u>: 6505-616-9068 GLUTETHIMIDE TABLETS, NF, 0.5 GRAM
<u>UNIT OF ISSUE/PRICE</u>: 500s BT/\$9.20 <u>COST PER TABLET</u>: \$0.0184
<u>ANNUAL DEMAND DATA</u>: ARMY - 461; NAVY - 467; AIR FORCE - 491
<u>TRADE MARK NAME</u>: "DORIDEN"

DISCUSSION:

1. GLUTETHIMIDE is a barbiturate substitute which many pharmacologists consider to be highly dangerous, both in terms of its propensity for abuse and the extremely difficult problems in managing overdosage.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That FSN 6505-616-9068 GLUTETHIMIDE TABLETS, NF, be type classified to "LIMITED STANDARD" with eventual deletion from the Federal Supply Catalog.