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SOME MANUFACTURERS DISCLOSE SOURCES OF SUPPLY

The last issue of the *California Pharmacist* (September, 1973, page 5) reported the implementation of regulations which require pharmaceutical manufacturers to disclose the name and place of business of the manufacturer who produces the finished dosage form of their products. The regulation, effective July 28, 1973, provides that manufacturers must either include the names of the mixer of the final ingredients and the encapsulator or tabulator in the product's labeling and advertising material, or provide this information in response to the written or oral request of any physician, pharmacist, or their professional associations.

In an effort to supply information to the profession, the California Pharmaceutical Association requested the identity of the manufacturer who mixed the final ingredients and encapsulated or tableted the finished dosage forms of products manufactured or distributed by over fifty different companies. The results of these requests, mailed on the 15th and 16th of August, are compiled in the following table. At the time of publication, over one month past the date of writing to the manufactur-

ers, many firms have not complied with the Association's request for information.

Under the provisions of these regulations (Section 10386 of Title 17 of the California Administrative Code), failure to respond to requests for the identity of the manufacturer of the finished dosage form shall result in the products of the firm failing to respond being deemed misbranded. Those companies who have not responded to the Association's requests are being sent a final notice which will precede the institution of legal proceedings against non-complying firms.

Pharmacists who have not been provided information as to the identity of the manufacturer of any prescription drug as provided for in California law, should notify the CPhA offices so that appropriate action may be taken.

The following list indicates the replies received at this office as of October 1, 1973. "Acknowledged request" indicates that the distributor has advised CPhA of the receipt of the request but has not supplied the name of the manufacturer of the final dosage form prior to press time.

DISTRIBUTOR	MANUFACTURER ¹	DATE REPLIED	DISTRIBUTOR	MANUFACTURER ¹	DATE REPLIED
AMPICILLIN TRIHYDRATE 250 mg Capsules			AMPICILLIN ANHYDROUS		
American Pharmaceutical Co.	No Reply		Wyeth Laboratories	Wyeth Labs. (Philadelphia, PA)	8-24-73
American Quinine Products	Zenith Labs., Inc. (Northvale, NJ)	8-29-73			
B. F. Ascher & Co., Inc.	International Labs., Inc. ² (Mayaguez, Puerto Rico)	9-07-73	BROPHENIRAMINE MALEATE		
Ayerst Laboratories	Beecham-Massengill Pharm. ³ (Piscataway, NJ)	9-05-73	—Elixir (Dimetane)	A. H. Robins Company (Richmond, VA)	8-27-73
Beecham-Massengill Pharm.	Beecham, Inc.	9-27-73	—Sustained Release Tablets (Dimetane Extentabs)		
Bristol Laboratories, Div. of Bristol-Myers Co.	Bristol Labs. (E. Syracuse, NY)	8-29-73	A. H. Robins Company	ICN Pharmaceuticals Strong Cobb Amer (Cincinnati, OH)	8-27-73
Coastal Pharmaceutical Co.	No Reply				
Columbia Medical Company	Biocraft Labs. (E. Paterson, NJ)	9-05-73	—Sustained Release Tablets with phenylephrine and phenylpropanolamine (Dimetane Extentabs)		
Consolidated Midland Corp.	Reid Provident * or Zenith Labs., Inc.	8-21-73	A. H. Robins Company	ICN Pharmaceuticals Strong Cobb Amer (Cincinnati, OH)	8-27-73
ICN Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	No Reply				
Strong Cobb Amer	Replied ^{1a}	9-19-73	DEXAMETHASONE 0.75 mg Tablets		
Parke, Davis & Company	No Reply		CIBA Pharmaceutical Co.	No Reply	
Purepac Pharmaceutical Co.	International Labs. ⁵ (Atlanta, GA)	8-24-73	Consolidated Midland Corp.	Danbury Pharmacal ⁴ or Cord Laboratories acknowledged request	8-21-73
Rachelle Laboratories, Inc.	No Reply		Merck Sharp & Dohme		8-20-73
Sherry Pharm. Co., Inc.	No Reply		Div. of Merck & Co., Inc.		
Smith Kline & French, Labs.	E. R. Squibb & Sons, Inc. International Labs. (Atlanta, GA)	8-31-73	Organon, Inc.	Organon, Inc. Schering Corp.	8-23-73
E. R. Squibb & Sons, Inc.	International Labs. (Atlanta, GA)	8-20-73	Schering Corp.	No Reply	9-18-73
Stayner Corporation	John D. Copanos & Co., Inc. (Baltimore, MD)	8-27-73	Sherry Pharm. Co., Inc.	USV Pharmaceutical Corp.	8-31-73
Towne, Paulsen & Co., Inc.	Biocraft Labs. (E. Paterson, NJ)		USV Pharmaceutical Corp.	Zenith Labs., Inc. (Northvale, NJ) ⁶	8-20-73
West-ward, Inc.	No Reply				
Wolins Pharmacal Corp.	Biocraft Labs.	9-06-73			

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