

5 January 2010

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Dear Darren

Response to ASX Query: Appendix 3Y- Change of director's interest notice

I refer to your letter dated 4 January 2010, and respond to your queries as follows:

- The Appendix 3Y was inadvertently lodged late due to an internal administrative oversight. I confirm that the Appendix 3Y was announced to the ASX immediately the oversight was detected.
- 2. At the time of a Director's initial appointment to the Company, he or she is provided with documentation advising them of the requirement to advise the Company of notifiable interests in securities and contracts and subsequent changes, within 3 business days of such change so that the Company may lodge an Appendix 3Y in the requisite time frame. The Company Secretary provides a draft Appendix 3Y to the respective director to confirm the details before lodgement. The Directors receive regular reminders of their disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.19A.
- 3. We consider that the Company's current processes to ensure compliance with Listing Rule 3.19B are adequate and that the breach referred to in your letter was an isolated event. Nevertheless, the Company has implemented new internal procedures to ensure that a similar administrative oversight is not repeated.

Yours sincerely

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Ms Susan Morgan-Dethick Company Secretary Sigma Pharmaceuticals Limited 96 Merrindale Drive **CROYDON SOUTH VIC 3136**

By email only

Dear Ms Morgan-Dethick

Sigma Pharmaceuticals Limited (the "Company") Appendix 3Y – Change of Director's Interest Notice

We refer to the following;

- 1. The Appendix 3Y lodged by the Company with ASX on 22 December 2009 for Mr Elmo de Alwis (the "Change of Director's Interest Notice");
- 2. Listing rule 3.19A which requires an entity to tell ASX the following:
 - The notifiable interests of a director of the entity (or in the case of a trust, a director of the 3.19A.1 responsible entity of the trust) at the following times.
 - On the date that the entity is admitted to the official list.
 - On the date that a director is appointed.

The entity must complete Appendix 3X and give it to ASX no more than 5 business days after the entity's admission or a director's appointment.

- 3.19A.2 A change to a notifiable interest of a director of the entity (or in the case of a trust, a director of the responsible entity of the trust). The entity must complete Appendix 3Y and give it to ASX no more than 5 business days after the change occurs.
- 3.19A.3 The notifiable interests of a director of the entity (or in the case of a trust, a director of the responsible entity of the trust) at the date that the director ceases to be a director. The entity must complete Appendix 3Z and give it to ASX no more than 5 business days after the director ceases to be a director.
- 3. Listing rule 3.19B which states as follows.

An entity must make such arrangements as are necessary with a director of the entity (or in the case of a trust, a director of the responsible entity of the trust) to ensure that the director discloses to the entity all the information required by the entity to give ASX completed Appendices 3X, 3Y and 3Z within the time period allowed by listing rule 3.19.A. The entity must enforce the arrangements with the director.







4. The Companies Update dated 27 June 2008, reminding listed entities of their obligation to notify ASX within 5 business days of the notifiable interests in securities held by each director and outlining the action that ASX would take in relation to breaches of listings rules 3.19A and 3.19B.

The Appendix 3Y indicates that a change in Mr de Alwis' notifiable interest occurred on 30 November 2009. It appears that the Change of Director's Interest Notice should have been lodged with ASX by 7 December 2009. Consequently, the Company may be in breach of listing rules 3.19A and/or 3.19B. It also appears the directors concerned may have breached section 205G of the Corporations Act.

Please note that ASX is required to record details of breaches of the listing rules by listed companies for its reporting requirements.

ASX reminds the Company of its contract with ASX to comply with the listing rules. In the circumstances ASX considers that it is appropriate that the Company make necessary arrangements to ensure there is not a reoccurrence of a breach of the listing rules.

Having regard to listing rules 3.19A and 3.19B and Guidance Note 22: "Director Disclosure of Interests and Transactions in Securities - Obligations of Listed Entities", we ask that you answer each of the following questions:

- 1. Please explain why the Appendix was lodged late.
- 2. What arrangements does the Company have in place with its directors to ensure that it is able to meet its disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.19A?
- If the current arrangements are inadequate or not being enforced, what additional steps does the Company intend to take to ensure compliance with listing rule 3.19B?

Your response should be sent to me by e-mail at darren.collins@asx.com.au or by facsimile on facsimile number (03) 9614 0303. It should not be sent to the Company Announcements Office.

A response is requested as soon as possible and, in any event, not later than half an hour before the start of trading (ie before 9.30 a.m. E.D.S.T.) on Thursday, 7 January 2010.

Under listing rule 18.7A, a copy of this query and your response will be released to the market, so your response should be in a form suitable for release and should separately address each of the questions asked. If you have any queries or concerns, please contact me immediately

Yours sincerely,

[Sent electronically without signature]

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