

IN THE COMPETITION APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case No:

BETWEEN:

ADVANZ PHARMA CORP

Applicant

- v -

COMPETITION AND MARKETS AUTHORITY

Respondent

ORDER – EXTENSION OF TIME

UPON the application made on 29 July 2021 for an extension of time for the Applicant to file its appeal against the decision of the Respondent of 29 July 2021 regarding the supply of liothyronine tablets in the UK ("the Liothyronine Decision")

AND HAVING REGARD TO rule 9(2) of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2015 ("rule 9(2)")

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

The time for the Applicant to file its Notice of Appeal is extended to 14 October 2021

REASONS:

1. The Applicant is an addressee of not only the Liothyronine Decision but also a decision of the Respondent made on 15 July 2021 regarding the supply of hydrocortisone tablets in the UK ("the Hydrocortisone Decision"). Both decisions are lengthy and complex: c 1200 pages for the Hydrocortisone Decision and c 850 pages for the Liothyronine Decision.

2. The Applicant reasonably wishes to continue to use the same legal team for both appeals. The fact that the Applicant is in the situation of preparing appeals against two wholly distinct and heavy decisions given only two weeks apart is exceptional and places it under a significant burden. That is heightened by the fact that the appeal periods span the summer holiday months. Accordingly, I

consider that the conditions of rule 9(2) are satisfied.

3. The extension is for a modest period. The infringements found in the Decision ceased several years ago and the Respondent does not suggest that any prejudice will result from the extension. Nor will it result in delay to the hearing of the appeal, since the appeals against the Hydrocortisone Decision and the

Liothyronine Decision will not be heard concurrently.

The Hon Mr Justice Roth

President of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Drawn: 3 August 2021

Made: 3 August 2021

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