#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION DISTRICT ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER DATE(S) OF INSPECTION Pharma Division II 06/12/2018-07/10/2018 404 BNA Drive, Building 200, Suite 500 FEI NUMBER Nashville, TN 37217 (615) 366-7801 | Email: orapharm2 responses@fda.hhs.gov 3010348724 Industry Information: www.fda.gov/ec/industry NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL TO WHOM REPORT ISSUED William E. Fixler, Co-Owner & Pharmacist in Charge STREET ADDRESS FH Investments Inc. dba Asteria Health 7004 Champion Blvd, Suite 100 CITY STATE ZIP CODE COUNTRY TYPE ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTED Birmingham, AL 35242 **Outsourcing Facility**

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### **OBSERVATION 1**

Procedures designed to prevent microbiological contamination of drug products purporting to be sterile do not include adequate validation of the sterilization process. Specifically, during (b) (4) (b) (4) sterilization validation,

- a. The bioburden and sterility method validation and suitability testing used for dose verification testing were not performed using testosterone and estradiol pellets made by your firm.
- b. The sterility and bioburden testing methods do not evaluate the entirety of each implantable pellet, only the external surfaces.

#### **OBSERVATION 2**

Laboratory controls do not include the establishment of scientifically sound and appropriate test procedures designed to assure that drug products conform to appropriate standards of identity, strength, quality, and purity. Specifically, sterility testing of hormone pellets during (b) (4) only provides information for the exterior surfaces of the implantable pellets. There is no evaluation of the entire pellet.

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#### **OBSERVATION 3**

Equipment and utensils are not cleaned at appropriate intervals to prevent contamination that would alter the safety, identity, strength, quality, or purity of the drug product.

Specifically, the equipment cleaning process has not been validated to ensure there is no cross-contamination between the hormone active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs), testosterone and estradiol. The (b) (4) Pellet Press, (b) (4) , is used for both API products and poses the highest risk for cross-contamination due to non-dedicated product contact parts. Other equipment used with both APIs include (b) (4) hoods, analytical balances, and calipers.

## **OBSERVATION 4**

There is a failure to thoroughly review the failure of a batch or any of its components to meet any of its specifications whether or not the batch has already been distributed. Specifically, the assessment of the investigation into the assay failure of an Estradiol 6 mg Pellet, Lot 04252017@3, at the (b) (4) time-point lacks evidence to support invalidation of the out-of-specification (OOS) result.

#### **OBSERVATION 5**

Written procedures describing the handling of all written and oral complaints do not include provisions for review to determine whether the complaint represents a serious and unexpected adverse drug experience which is required to be reported to the Food and Drug Administration.

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