

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

Removal of [123I]ioflupane from Schedule II of the S.C. Controlled Substances Act

Whereas, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 44-53-160(C), the S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control (Board) is authorized to remove a substance as a controlled substance if the federal government has so designated; and

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), published on June 3, 2015, its intent to remove [123I]ioflupane from the Schedule II controlled substances list. <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-06-03/pdf/2015-13455.pdf> ; and

Whereas, data currently supports the removal of substances containing [123I]ioflupane, primarily because the substance itself has a lethal radioactive barrier and its manufacturing process is highly regulated and technically complex, thereby making abuse highly unlikely; and

Whereas, according to US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) states there have been no reports of abuse of [123I]ioflupane, and evidence suggests that there is no psychic or physiological dependence potential of FDA approved diagnostic products containing [123I]ioflupane due to the extremely high and lethal quantities needed to achieve a subjective “high”; and

Whereas, based upon the recommendation of HHS and its own review of relevant data, the DEA found that [123I]ioflupane has no comparable potential for abuse relative to substances in schedule V, has a currently acceptable medical use in the United States, and is not abusable and thus is not likely to lead to physical or psychological dependence and therefore [123I]ioflupane does not warrant control under the CSA;

Now, therefore, the Board of Health and Environmental Control removes [123I]ioflupane from Schedule II of the Controlled Substance list, amending S.C. Code Section 44-53-210 accordingly.



Allen Amsler, Chairman
S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control

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