ASX Announcement

VIRALEZE™ sales and distribution in Saudi Arabia and GCC - supplementary information

Melbourne, Australia; 4 February 2022: Starpharma (ASX: SPL, OTCQX: SPHRY) has been asked by the ASX to disclose additional information in relation to the sales and distribution agreement signed yesterday with Etqan & Nazahah Company (E&N) for the VIRALEZE™ antiviral nasal spray.

Termination provisions	Termination provisions are customary for commercial sales and distribution agreements: breach, insolvency, bankruptcy, or E&N's failure to meet minimum annual purchase obligations.
Revenue estimates	Starpharma expects that revenue derived from the sales and distribution agreement for the nine countries will be material. Revenue, and its timing, will be dependent on the registration of VIRALEZE™ in each country, and the take up of the product in each market. Starpharma is currently unable to estimate revenue from sales of VIRALEZE™ under the agreement.

About Etqan & Nazahah Company (E&N)

Etqan & Nazahah Company (E&N) is a privately held agent and distributor of medical and pharmaceutical products, headquartered in Saudi Arabia, that represents international healthcare companies in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) region and other neighbouring countries.

E&N's company mission is to improve healthcare for patients and medical professionals in the GCC markets by providing superior products and services, which include ethical pharmaceuticals and OTC products, medical equipment, medical supplies and disposables, including rapid test kits for SARS-CoV-2. E&N represent international companies, including Bayer, where they act as the agent in the region for the sales, distribution, and promotion of healthcare products. E&N is licensed by the Saudi Food and Drug Authority.

VIRALEZE™ Antiviral Nasal Spray

VIRALEZE™ is a broad-spectrum antiviral nasal spray. The antiviral agent in VIRALEZE™, referred to as SPL7013, has been shown to have potent antiviral and virucidal activity in multiple respiratory viruses (including influenza and RSV) and multiple variants of SARS-CoV-2, including inactivation of >99.9% of the highly infectious Delta variant, in laboratory studies. VIRALEZE™ is applied in the nose to provide a physical barrier - between viruses and the nasal mucous membrane - that traps and irreversibly inactivates virus. Importantly, the mechanism of action of VIRALEZE™ means that mutations of the spike protein that make SARS-CoV-2 more infectious, as occurred for the Delta strain, appear to make the virus more susceptible to trapping and blocking by SPL7013.

VIRALEZE™ is registered in more than 30 countries, including Europe, Vietnam, India, New Zealand, and Saudi Arabia, and available in certain markets online. VIRALEZE™ is partnered with LloydsPharmacy in the UK, ADMENTA Italia Group in Italy, HealthCo/TBL in Vietnam, and E&N in countries in the Middle East. VIRALEZE™ is not approved for sale or supply in Australia.

Starpharma acknowledges the $1 million in funding for the development of VIRALEZE™ provided by the Australian Government's Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) Biomedical Translation Bridge (BTB) Program, with support from UniQuest. Delivered by MTPConnect, the Australian Government's BTB program is a $22.3 million MRFF initiative that provides up to $1 million in matched funding to nurture the translation of new therapies, technologies and medical devices through to proof of concept to turn innovative medical ideas into reality.

About Starpharma

Starpharma Holdings Limited (ASX:SPL, OTCQX:SPHRY) is a global biopharmaceutical company and a world leader in the development of new pharmaceutical and medical products based on proprietary polymers called dendrimers, with programs for respiratory viruses, DEP® drug delivery and VivaGel®. Starpharma has developed VIRALEZE™, an antiviral nasal spray that is registered for sale in the Europe, Vietnam, India, Saudi Arabia, and New Zealand, and available outside Australia in certain markets online. VIRALEZE™ is not approved for sale or supply in Australia. SPL7013 is utilised in approved products - the VivaGel® condom and VivaGel® BV. VivaGel® BV has been licensed in >160 countries, is registered in >45 countries and available for sale in the UK, Europe, Japan, South East Asia, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

As a leading company in dendrimer-based drug delivery, Starpharma's proprietary drug delivery platform technology, DEP®, is being used to improve pharmaceuticals, to reduce toxicities and enhance their performance. There are numerous internal and partnered programs underway to develop DEP® versions of existing drugs, particularly in the area of anti-cancer therapies. DEP® partnerships include oncology programs with AstraZeneca, with Merck in the area of Antibody Drug Conjugates (ADCs), with Chase Sun in the area of anti-infectives and other world leading pharmaceutical companies. Starpharma's partnered DEP® programs have the potential to generate significant future milestones and royalties.

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