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9	DEPARTMENT OF C	PHARMACY CONSUMER AFFAIRS				
10	STATE OF C	CALIFORNIA				
11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 4625				
12	PHARMEDIUM HEALTHCARE CORP					
13	DBA PHARMEDIUM SERVICES LLC 12620 W. Airport Boulevard, Suite 130 Sugar Land, Texas 77478 A C C U S A T I O N					
14	Non-Resident Pharmacy Permit No. NRP					
15	590					
16 17	PHARMEDIUM SERVICES LLC 12620 W. Airport Boulevard, Suite 130 Sugar Land, Texas 77478					
18	Non-Resident Sterile Compounding license No. NSC 99221					
19	Respondent.					
20	Respondent.					
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22	Complainant alleges:					
23		TIES				
24	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity					
25	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.					
26	2. On or about August 4, 2004, the Board of Pharmacy issued Non-Resident Pharmacy					
27	Permit Number NRP 590 to Pharmedium Healthcare Corp dba Pharmedium Services LLC					
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Section 4033 of the Code states in pertinent part: 2 (a)(1) "Manufacturer" means and includes every person who prepares, derives, produces, compounds, or repackages any drug or device except a pharmacy 3 that manufactures on the immediate premises where the drug or device is sold to the ultimate consumer 4 5 10. Section 4033 of the Code states in pertinent part: 6 (a)(1) "Manufacturer" means and includes every person who prepares, derives, produces, compounds, or repackages any drug or device except a pharmacy that manufactures on the immediate premises where the drug or device is sold to the 7 ultimate consumer. 8 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), "manufacturer" shall not mean a 9 pharmacy compounding a drug for parenteral therapy, pursuant to a prescription, for delivery to another pharmacy for the purpose of delivering or administering the drug 10 to the patient or patients named in the prescription, provided that neither the components for the drug nor the drug are compounded, fabricated, packaged, or 11 otherwise prepared prior to receipt of the prescription 12. 11. Section 4059 of the Code states in pertinent part: 13 (a) A person may not furnish any dangerous drug, except upon the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or 14 naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.7. A person may not furnish any dangerous device, except upon the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, 15 optometrist, veterinarian, or naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.7... 16 (b) This section does not apply to the furnishing of any dangerous drug or dangerous device by a manufacturer, wholesaler, or pharmacy to each other or to a 17 physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.7, or to a laboratory under sales and purchase records that 18 correctly give the date, the names and addresses of the supplier and the buyer, the drug or device, and its quantity. This section does not apply to the furnishing of any 19 dangerous device by a manufacturer, wholesaler, or pharmacy to a physical therapist acting within the scope of his or her license under sales and purchase records that 20 correctly provide the date the device is provided, the names and addresses of the supplier and the buyer, a description of the device, and the quantity supplied. 21 12. Section 4123 of the Code provides as follows: 22 Any pharmacy that contracts to compound a drug for parenteral therapy, pursuant to a prescription, for delivery to another pharmacy shall report that contractual 23 arrangement to the board. That information shall be reported by the pharmacy performing the compounding services within 30 days of commencing that 24 compounding. 25 26 13. Section 4169 of the Code states in pertinent part: 27 (a) A person or entity may not do any of the following:

(2) Purchase, trade, sell, or transfer dangerous drugs that the person knew

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the generic name(s) of the principal active ingredient(s).

- (b) A statement that the drug has been compounded by the pharmacy shall be included on the container or on the receipt provided to the patient.
- (c) Drug products compounded into unit-dose containers that are too small or otherwise impractical for full compliance with subdivisions (a) and (b) shall be labeled with at least the name(s) of the active ingredient(s), concentration or strength, volume or weight, pharmacy reference or lot number, and expiration date.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Unlicensed Manufacturing.)

- 19. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under sections 4301 and 4033 for the unlicensed manufacture of medication in that they prepared injectable medication that was not provided directly to a consumer. The circumstances are as follows:
- 20. Documents provided on May 10, 2012 and November 27, 2012 indicated Pharmedium Services LLC sold the following injectable products: #48 25mg nicardipine hydrochloride 0.1mg/ml in 5% dextrose 250ml AVIVA bags, #24 3ml 4% sodium citrate syringes, and #1 0.2% ropivacaine HCL 550ml injection to John Muir Medical Center Concord Campus Pharmacy (HSP 42916) between 3/8/12 and 10/17/12. Documents provided on 5/10/12 and 7/19/12 indicated Pharmedium Services LLC sold the following injectable products:#160 nicardipine hydrochloride 0.1mg/ml in 0.9% sodium chloride 10ml syringes, #96 4mg norepinephrine bitartrate (16mcg/ml), #12 150mg amiodarone HCL in 5% dextrose, #72 1,25g vancomycin HCL in 5% dextrose, #24 1.5g vancomycin HCL in 5% dextrose, #120 1g magnesium sulfate in 5% dextrose, #500 10mg/ml rocuronium bromide, #550 20mg/ml succinylcholine chloride, #400 5mg/ml ephedrine sulfate, #400 100mcg/ml phenylephrine HCL, #30 5mg/ml labetalol, #300 5mg labetalol (no overwrap), #72 125mg diltiazem HCL in 5% dextrose, #20 0.1% ropiyacaine HCL in 0.9% sodium chloride, #216 2g cefazolin in 5% dextrose, #36 50mg phenylephrine HCL (0.1mg/ml) in 5% dextrose, and #5 0.25% bupivacaine HCL in 0.9% sodium chloride to Community Hospital Monterey (HSP 30134) between 1/12/12 and

Compounded medication furnished to a sample of licensed hospitals in California

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Drug	Dates	Invoice #/ Document #	Sold to	Total Quantity
nicardipine	1/12/12	A571580	CH-M *	160
0.1mg/ml	1/31/12	A579832	CIT-IVI	100
10ml syringe	2/2/12	A581416		
	3/12/12	A598834		
	4/6/12	A611130		
	4/11/12	A613149		
	5/8/12	A624220		
	6/25/12	A643900		
	7/5/12	A648371		
	7/11/12	A651062		
4mg	1/31/12	A579832	CH-M	96
norepinephrine	6/25/12	A643900	•	
bitartrate	7/11/12	A651062		
(16mcg/ml)	12.44			
150mg	1/31/12	A579832	CH-M	12
amiodarone in				
5%				
dextrose	1/01/10	4.550.000	CITA	70
1.25g	1/31/12	A579832	CH-M	72
vancomycin in	6/25/12	A643900		
5%	7/5/12	A648371		
dextrose				
1.5g vancomycin	1/31/12	A579832	CH-M	24
in 5%	ł			
dextrose				
1g magnesium	1/31/12	A579832	CH-M	120
sulfate in	3/12/12	A598834		
5% dextrose	7/11/12	A651062		
10mg/ml	1/31/12	A579832	CH-M	500
rocuronium	2/2/12	A581416		
bromide	3/12/12	A598834		
oromina	4/6/12	A611130		
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	5/8/12	A624220		
	7/5/12	A648371		
····	7/11/12	A651062	CITY	
20mg/ml	1/31/12	A579832	CH-M	550
succinylcholine	2/2/12	A581416		
chloride	3/12/12	A598834		
	4/6/12	A611130		
	5/8/12	A624220		
	7/5/12	A648371		

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4% sodium citrate 3ml	8/29/12	629096	JMCC-C	24
AVIVA bag				
dextrose 250ml	10/17/12	649014		
5%	8/29/12	629096		
(0.1mg/ml) in	6/1/12	594179	JIVICC-C	טד
chloride 25mg nicardipine	3/9/12	558459	JMCC-C**	48
in 0.9% sodium				
bupivacaine HCL			·	
0.25%	7/5/12	A648371	CH-M	5
in 5% dextrose				
HCL		A031002		
50mg phenylephrine	6/25/12 7/11/12	A643900 A651062	CH-M	. 30
dextrose	7/11/12	A651062	CHM	36
5%	6/25/12	A643900	·	
2g cefazolin in	5/8/12	A624220	CH-M	216
chloride				
0.9% sodium				
HCL in				_ ,
5% dextrose 0.1% ropiyacaine	4/11/12	A613149	CH-M	20
HCL in	6/25/12 7/11/12	A643900 A651062	-	
125mg diltiazem	3/12/12	A598834	CH-M	72
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	7/5/12	A648371		
·	5/8/12	A624220		
overwrap)	4/6/12	A611130		
(no	3/12/12	A598834	CIT-IVI	300
5mg/ml labetalol	2/2/12	A581416	CH-M	300
	3/12/12	A598834		
5mg/ml labetalol	2/2/12	A581416	CH-M	30
	7/11/12	A651062		
	7/5/12	A648371		
1101	5/8/12	A624220		
phenylephrine HCL	4/6/12	A611130		
100mcg/ml	2/2/12 3/12/12	A581416 A598834	C11-1VI	400
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	7/5/12	A648371		
	5/8/12	A624220		
	4/6/12	A611130		
ephedrine sulfate	3/12/12	A598834		
5mg/ml	2/2/12	A581416	СН-М	400
	7/11/12	A651062		İ

. 1	syringe	8/29/12	629096	JMCC-C	1
	0.2% ropivacaine HCL	0/27/12	029090	JIVICC-C	
2	550ml injection *Ch-M= Commun	ity Hospital Mo	nterev		
3	**JMMC-C=John	Muir Medical C	enter-Concord		
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5		SEC	OND CAUSE FOR	DISCIPLINE	
6			(Selling Misbrande	d Drugs)	
7	21. Respoi	ndents are subje	ct to disciplinary ac	tion under section Bu	siness and Professions
8	Code section 4169	in that they sol	d drugs which were	misbranded as more	specifically set forth
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12	22. Res	pondents are su	bject to disciplinary	action under section	4342 (a) in that
13	section 111395 of	the Health and S	Safety Code states th	nat a drug is misbrand	ed if it is an imitation
14 15	of another drug, and on or about March 8, 2012 and October 17, 2012, Pharmedium Services				
16	LLC compounded and sold to John Muir Medical Center Concord Campus Pharmacy (HSP				
17	42916) #48 bags o	f 25mg nicardip	ine hydrochloride 2	50ml (0.1mg/ml) in 5	% dextrose. The
18	commercially avai	lable product, C	ardene, is 20mg nic	ardipine hydrochlorid	le 200ml (0.1mg/ml)
19	in 4.8% dextrose.				
20		FOL	RTH CAUSE FOR	DISCIPLINE	
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22	23. Respoi	ndents are subje	ct to disciplinary ac	tion under section 43	42 (a) in that
23	Respondent sold in	iectables withou	ut FDA approval an	d without the receipt	of a valid prescription.
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25	The circumstances	are as follows:			
26		•	•	ary 12, 2012 and July	
27	Pharmedium Servi	ces LLC sold to	Community Hospi	tal Monterey (HSP 30	0134) #160 10ml
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syringes of injectable nicardipine hydrochloride 0.1mg/ml in 0.9% sodium chloride, an unapproved drug.

FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (selling adulterated drugs)

- 25. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4342 (a) in conjunction with Health and Safety Code section 11128 and California Code of Regulations section 1735.1 in that Respondent sold drugs lacking in quality or strength. The circumstances are as follows:
- 26. Documents provided on May 10, 2012 and June 20, 2012 indicated Pharmedium Services LLC compounded Batch Number 12117009S on 4/26/2012 with a labeled strength of 50mg nicardipine 0.2mg/ml in 250ml 0.9% sodium chloride, when quantitative analysis indicated the actual product strength was beyond the industry accepted range of +/- 10% with concentrations of nicardipine 0.173, 0.169, and 0.173 mg/ml. Expected concentration should be nicardipine 0.180-0.220 mg/ml. This quantitative analysis report indicated a potency of "P" for pass.

SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Not Compounding pursuant to a Patient Specific Prescription)

Regulations Section 1735.2 in that documents provided on May 10, 2012 and November 27, 2012 indicated Pharmedium Services LLC sold the following injectable products: #48.25mg _____ nicardipine hydrochloride 0.1mg/ml in 5% dextrose 250ml AVIVA bags, #24 3ml 4% sodiumcitrate syringes, and #1 0.2% ropivacaine HCL 550ml injection to John Muir Medical Center Concord Campus Pharmacy (HSP 42916) between 3/8/12 and 10/17/12. Documents provided on5/10/12 and 7/19/12 indicated Pharmedium Services LLC sold the following injectable products:#160 nicardipine hydrochloride 0.1mg/ml in 0.9% sodium chloride 10ml syringes, #96 4 mgnorepinephrine bitartrate (16mcg/ml), #12 150mg amiodarone HCL in 5%

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SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Selling a Mislabled Drug Product)

- 28. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4169 (a) (3) in that Respondent sold drugs which were misbranded. The circumstances are as follows:
- 29. On or about July 19 2012, at Community Hospital Monterey (HSP 30134), the labels on nicardipine hydrochloride 0.1mg/1ml 0.9% sodium chloride 10ml syringes provided by Pharmedium Services LLC stated "Use as Directed. Rx Only", "Store at Room Temp.", and indicated a 90-day expiration date. Pharmedium Services LLC stated in writing on 6/5/12 "the labeled statement of use is: See-Manufacturer's Package Insert. Use as directed. Rx Only." The "Drug Presentation" screen provided by Pharmedium Services LLC to Community Hospital Monterey on 7/19/12 provided Drug Manufacturer's Package Inserts for Emcure Pharmaceuticals and Sun Pharmaceuticals. Both manufacturer's package inserts stated "vials must be diluted before infusion" and "the diluted solution is stable for 24 hours at room temperature". No patient specific directions were provided.

EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (No Compounding Statement on Products)

- 30. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under California Code of Regulations Section 1735.4(b) in that they failed to provide a product statement on compounded medications. The circumstances are as follows:
- 31. On or about July 19, 2012, during an inspection of Community Hospital Monterey (HSP 30134), nicardipine syringes compounded and sold by Pharmedium Services LLC found in the inventory did not contain a compounded drug product statement.

NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Failure to Report Contracts)

- 32. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4123 for failure to report its contractual arrangement to compound drugs for other pharmacies. The circumstances are as follows:
- 33. Documents provided on June 5, 2012 indicated Pharmedium Services LLC contracted with pharmacies in California to "compound injectable sterile drugs for parenteral use pursuant to California's Business and Professions Code Section 4123" and the drugs for parenteral therapy were not compounded pursuant to a prescription but by invoice at wholesale, as set forth more specifically in paragraph 11 and table 1, above.

TENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Improper Invoicing)

- 34. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4059 (b) for improper invoicing in that they failed to properly list the address of their supplier. The circumstances are as follows:
- Documents provided on July 19, 2012 and November 27, 2012 indicatedPharmedium Services LLC invoiced from 39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694 and 43

Distribution Blvd., Edison, NJ 08817 which were not the address of the supplier in each instance.

Pharmedium Services LLC was in violation for the eleven invoices with an incorrect supplier address. See Table 2 below.

Date	PO#:	Record #:	Type of Record:	Pharmadium	Hospital
1/12/12	RX8524	A571580	Invoice	address 39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	customer CH-M
1/31/12	RX8555	A579832	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
2/2/12	RX8564	A581416	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
3/12/12	RX8x642	A598834	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
4/6/12	RX8709	A611130	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
4/11/12	RX8717	A613149	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
5/8/12	RX8771	A624220	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
6/25/12	RX8861	A648371	Invoice	39797 Treasury	СН-М

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7/5/12	RX8885	A648371	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
7/11/12	RX8904	A651062	Invoice	39797 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694	СН-М
10/17/12	101212FJ	WEB0649014- A	Packing Slip	43 Distribution Blvd., Edison, NJ 08817	JMMC-C

DISCIPLINE CONSIDERATIONS

36. To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondents, Complainant alleges that on or about April 14, 2011, in a prior action, the Board of Pharmacy issued Citation Number CI 2010 47609 for violating Business and Profession Code section 4123 and ordered Respondent, Pharmedium Healthcare Corp dba Pharmedium Services LLC, to pay a fine of \$4,460.00. That Citation is now final and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:

- 1. Revoking or suspending Non-Resident Pharmacy Permit Number NRP 590, issued to Pharmedium Healthcare Corp dba Pharmedium Services LLC;
- Revoking or suspending Non-Resident Sterile Compounding license Number NSC
 99221 to Pharmedium Services LLC;
- 3. Ordering Pharmedium Healthcare Corp. and Pharmedium Services LLC to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;

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1	4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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