DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Food and Drug Administration
8757 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring MD 20910

Somatics, Incorporated
Attn: Richard Abrams, M.D.
910 Sherwood Drive, Unit 6
Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044

Re: K843923
Thymatron ECT device
Dated: September 27, 1984
Received: October 5, 1984
Regulatory Class: III

Dear Dr. Abrams:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the above device and we have determined the device to be substantially equivalent to devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments. You may, therefore, market your device subject to the general controls provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act). This device has been placed into the regulatory class shown above, by a final regulation published in the Federal Register. All classes of devices are regulated by the general controls provisions of the Act applicable to all medical devices including annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and the misbranding and adulteration provisions of the Act; class II devices must also meet present or future performance standards; class III devices will be required to undergo premarket approval at some time in the future.

Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895. In addition, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. We suggest you subscribe to this publication so you can convey your views to FDA if you desire and be notified of any additional requirements subsequently imposed on your device. Subscriptions may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Such information also may be reviewed in the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, Room 4-62, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

This letter does not in any way denote official FDA approval of your device or its labeling. Any representation that creates an impression of official approval of this device because of compliance with the premarket notification regulations is misleading and constitutes misbranding. If you desire advice on the labeling for your device or other information on your responsibilities under the Act, please contact the Office of Compliance, Division of Compliance Operations (HFZ-327), 8757 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910.

Sincerely yours,

Robert G. Britain

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Director
Office of Device Evaluation
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