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(95) PRODUCT : Menicon Z® Rigid Gas Permeable Contact  
Lens (tisilfocan A)

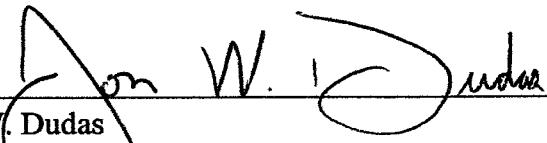
This is to certify that an application under 35 U.S.C. § 156 has been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, requesting extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 4,594,401 based upon the regulatory review of the product Menicon Z® Rigid Gas Permeable Contact Lens (tisilfocan A), by the Food and Drug Administration. Since it appears that the requirements of the law have been met, this certificate extends the term of the patent for the period of

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