

## SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

### Placement of Thiafentanil into Schedule II for Controlled Substances

Whereas, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 44-53-160(C), the S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control (Board) shall designate a substance as a controlled substance by scheduling it in accordance with an order effecting federal scheduling as a controlled substance;

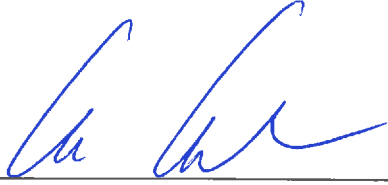
Whereas, on August 26, 2016, U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), published its interim final rule scheduling the substance thiafentanil (4-(methoxycarbonyl)-4-(Nphenmethoxyacetamido)-1-[2-(thienyl)ethyl]piperidine), including its isomers, esters, ethers, salts and salts of isomers, esters and ethers whenever the existences of such isomers, esters, ethers and salts is possible, into schedule II of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA), effective immediately; F.R. Volume 81, Number 169, pp. 59929-59934; <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-08-26/pdf/2016-20463.pdf>

Whereas, thiafentanil is a potent opioid and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration have approved the use of Thianil (a salt form of thiafentanil) for use in the immobilization of nondomestic, non-food-producing minor species hoofstock;

Whereas, according to its interim final rule, the DEA has concluded thiafentanil has a potential for abuse similar to other schedule II substances, a high potential for abuse, a currently accepted medical use with severe restrictions, and that abuse of thiafentanil may lead to severe psychological or physical dependence; therefore, thiafentanil should be placed in schedule II of the federal Controlled Substances Act effective August 26, 2016; and

Now, therefore, the Board of Health and Environmental Control adopts the federal scheduling of thiafentanil and amends Section 44-53-210(c) of the S.C. Code of Laws by adding and designating thiafentanil into Schedule II of the South Carolina Controlled Substances Act.

September 8, 2016  
Columbia, South Carolina

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