

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
May 27, 2009**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

TorreyPines Therapeutics, Inc.

File No. 0-25571 CF#23417

TorreyPines Therapeutics, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 10-K filed on March 27, 2009.

Based on representations by TorreyPines Therapeutics, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit will not be released to the public for the time period specified:

Exhibit 10.16 through October 10, 2010

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

Daniel Greenspan
Special Counsel