

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 24, 2009**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT  
UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**Idenix Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

**File No. 333-111157 - CF#23110**

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Idenix Pharmaceuticals, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 406 requesting an extension of a previous grant of confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form S-1 filed on December 15, 2003.

Based on representations by Idenix Pharmaceuticals, 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(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.21                      through February 25, 2010

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

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