

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

July 31, 2012

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

CV Therapeutics, Inc.

File No. 000-21643 - CF#28524

Gilead Sciences, Inc. (successor to CV Therapeutics, Inc.) submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting an extension of a previous grant of confidential treatment for information CV Therapeutics, Inc. excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 10-Q filed on August 13, 1997.

Based on representations by Gilead Sciences, 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 10.43 through June 19, 2015

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

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