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NOVARTIS AG,	}	IPC No. 14-2016-00723
Opposer,	}	Opposition to:
	}	
-versus-	}	Application No. 4-2016-00009012
	}	Date Filed: 28 July 2016
NATRACARE, INC.,	}	
Respondent-Applicant.	}	Trademark: XANTI
x-----x		Order No. 2017 - <u>14</u> (D)

ORDER

NATRACARE, INC. ("Respondent-Applicant") filed on 03 January 2017 a letter addressed to the Director of Trademarks. The letter states, among other things, that:

"After thorough deliberation with our marketing team, we came to a decision to withdraw our application for the mark XANTI, without prejudice to our position."

With the voluntary withdrawal by the Respondent-Applicant of its trademark application, there is no more factual or legal basis to proceed with this case.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the instant case is hereby **DISMISSED**. Let the filewrapper of Trademark Application No. 4-2016-00009012 be returned, together with a copy of this Order and the Respondent-Applicant's letter to the Bureau of Trademarks for information and appropriate action.

SO ORDERED.

Taguig City, 25 JAN 2017

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