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pSivida Announces FDA Acceptance For Filing of New Drug Application (NDA) for Durasert™ Three-Year Treatment for Posterior Segment Uveitis

WATERTOWN, Mass., March 19, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- pSivida Corp. (NASDAQ:PSDV) (ASX:PVA), a leader in the development of sustained release drug products and technologies, today announced that its New Drug Application (NDA) for Durasert three-year treatment for posterior segment uveitis has been accepted by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for filing. The acceptance of the NDA reflects the FDA's determination that the application is sufficiently complete to permit a substantive review. The application will be subject to a standard review and will have a Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) date of November 5, 2018. The PDUFA date is the goal date for the FDA to complete its review of the NDA.

The NDA includes data from two Phase 3 studies that each successfully achieved the primary efficacy endpoint at six months with a p value < 0.001. In addition, the safety profile in patients treated with Durasert three-year for posterior segment uveitis was consistent with the safety profile of steroid treatments that are currently considered standard of care for this disease.

"The FDA's acceptance for review of our Durasert NDA submission is a major milestone for pSivida and we look forward to continuing to work with the FDA as they review our application," commented Nancy Lurker, President and CEO. "Given the high unmet medical need, we believe that Durasert, if approved, has the potential to become an important new treatment option for the thousands of patients suffering from posterior segment uveitis, the third leading cause of blindness."

About Posterior Segment Uveitis

Posterior segment uveitis is a chronic, non-infectious inflammatory disease affecting the posterior segment of the eye, often involving the retina, which is believed to be a leading cause of blindness in the developed and developing countries. It affects people of all ages, producing swelling and destroying eye tissues, which can lead to severe vision loss and blindness. In the U.S., posterior segment uveitis affects between 80,000 - 100,000 people. Today, patients with posterior uveitis are typically treated with systemic steroids, but over time frequently develop serious side effects that can limit effective dosing. Patients then often progress to steroid-sparing therapy with systemic immune suppressants or biologics, which themselves can have severe side effects including an increased risk of cancer.

About pSivida Corp.

pSivida Corp. (<u>www.psivida.com</u>), headquartered in Watertown, MA, is a leader in the development of sustained release drug products for treating eye diseases. pSivida has developed three of only four FDA-approved sustained-release treatments for back-of-the-eve diseases. The most recent, ILUVIEN[®], a micro-insert for diabetic macular edema, licensed to

Alimera Sciences, is currently sold directly in the U.S. and several EU countries. Retisert[®], an implant for posterior uveitis, is licensed to and sold by Bausch & Lomb. In January 2018, pSivida submitted a New Drug Application (NDA) to the U.S. FDA for its lead product candidate, Durasert[™] micro-insert for posterior segment uveitis. The NDA has been accepted for filing and is currently under standard review with a Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) date of November 5, 2018. Two pivotal Phase 3 studies with Durasert achieved their primary efficacy endpoint of prevention of recurrence of uveitis at six months of follow-up with statistical significance. pSivida's pre-clinical development program is focused on using its core platform technology Durasert to deliver drugs to treat wet age-related macular degeneration, glaucoma, osteoarthritis and other diseases. To learn more about pSivida, please visit <u>www.psivida.com</u> and connect on Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook and Google+.

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marketing approvals and the effect of pricing and reimbursement decisions on sales of ILUVIEN; the number of clinical trials and data required for the Durasert three-year uveitis marketing approval application in the U.S.; our ability to use data in a U.S. NDA from clinical trials outside the U.S.; our ability to successfully commercialize Durasert three-year uveitis, if approved, in the U.S.; potential off-label sales of ILUVIEN for uveitis; consequences of fluocinolone acetonide side effects; the development of our next-generation Durasert shorter-duration treatment for posterior segment uveitis; potential declines in Retisert® royalties; efficacy and our future development of an implant to treat severe osteoarthritis; our ability to successfully develop product candidates, initiate and complete clinical trials and receive regulatory approvals; our ability to market and sell products; the success of current and future license agreements, including our agreement with Alimera; termination or breach of current license agreements, including our agreement with Alimera; our dependence on contract research organizations, vendors and investigators; effects of competition and other developments affecting sales of products; market acceptance of products; effects of guidelines, recommendations and studies; protection of intellectual property and avoiding intellectual property infringement; retention of key personnel; product liability; industry consolidation; compliance with environmental laws; manufacturing risks; risks and costs of international business operations; effects of the potential U.K. exit from the EU; legislative or regulatory changes; volatility of stock price; possible dilution; absence of dividends; and other factors described in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You should read and interpret any forward-looking statements in light of these risks. Should known or unknown risks materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove inaccurate, actual results could differ materially from past results and those anticipated, estimated or projected in the forward-looking statements. You should bear this in mind as you consider any forward-looking statements. Our forward-looking statements speak only as of the dates on which they are made. We do not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise our forward-looking statements even if experience or future changes makes it clear that any projected results expressed or implied in such statements will not be realized.

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