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COCHLEAR LIMITED: FDA APPROVAL FOR NUCLEUS 5 SYSTEM

Cochlear Limited (ASX:COH) advised today that it has received approval from the USA Food and Drug Administration of the two Premarket Approval Supplements covering the new Cochlear Nucleus 5 System.

The full system (implant and sound processor) will be released in the USA on 8 September 2009.

The new system includes the world's thinnest cochlear implant (40% thinner than Cochlear's existing implant), the world's most advanced sound processor for a cochlear implant and a bi-directional remote assistant.

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