Exhibit 1.3-1: Immediate and Delayed Reactions to Trauma

Immediate Emotional Reactions	Delayed Emotional Reactions
Numbness and detachment	Irritability and/or hostility
Anxiety or severe fear	Depression
Guilt (including survivor guilt)	Mood swings, instability
Exhilaration as a result of surviving	Anxiety (e.g., phobia, generalized anxiety)
Anger	Fear of trauma recurrence
Sadness	Grief reactions
Helplessness	Shame
Feeling unreal; depersonalization (e.g., feeling	Feelings of fragility and/or vulnerability
as if you are watching yourself)	Emotional detachment from anything that re-
Disorientation	quires emotional reactions (e.g., significant
Feeling out of control	and/or family relationships, conversations
Denial	about self, discussion of traumatic events or
Constriction of feelings	reactions to them)
Feeling overwhelmed	
Immediate Physical Reactions	Delayed Physical Reactions
Nausea and/or gastrointestinal distress	Sleep disturbances, nightmares
Sweating or shivering	Somatization (e.g., increased focus on and
Faintness	worry about body aches and pains)
Muscle tremors or uncontrollable shaking	Appetite and digestive changes
Elevated heartbeat, respiration, and blood	Lowered resistance to colds and infection
pressure	Persistent fatigue
Extreme fatigue or exhaustion	Elevated cortisol levels
Greater startle responses	Hyperarousal
Depersonalization	Long-term health effects including heart, liver,
	autoimmune, and chronic obstructive pulmo-
Immediate Cognitive Reactions	nary disease Delayed Cognitive Reactions
Difficulty concentrating	Intrusive memories or flashbacks
Rumination or racing thoughts (e.g., replaying	Reactivation of previous traumatic events
the traumatic event over and over again)	Self-blame
Distortion of time and space (e.g., traumatic	Preoccupation with event
event may be perceived as if it was happen-	Difficulty making decisions
ing in slow motion, or a few seconds can be	Magical thinking: belief that certain behaviors,
perceived as minutes)	including avoidant behavior, will protect
Memory problems (e.g., not being able to re-	against future trauma
call important aspects of the trauma)	Belief that feelings or memories are dangerous
Strong identification with victims	Generalization of triggers (e.g., a person who
	experiences a home invasion during the day-
	time may avoid being alone during the day)
	Suicidal thinking
Immediate Behavioral Reactions	Delayed Behavioral Reactions
Startled reaction	Avoidance of event reminders
Restlessness	Social relationship disturbances
Sleep and appetite disturbances	Decreased activity level
Difficulty expressing oneself	Engagement in high-risk behaviors
Argumentative behavior	Increased use of alcohol and drugs
Increased use of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco	Withdrawal
Withdrawal and apathy	

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Exhibit 1.3-1: Immediate and Delayed Reactions to Trauma (continued)

Immediate Existential Reactions

Intense use of prayer

Restoration of faith in the goodness of others (e.g., receiving help from others)

Loss of self-efficacy

Despair about humanity, particularly if the event was intentional

Immediate disruption of life assumptions (e.g., fairness, safety, goodness, predictability of life)

Delayed Existential Reactions

Questioning (e.g., "Why me?")

Increased cynicism, disillusionment

Increased self-confidence (e.g., "If I can survive this, I can survive anything")

Loss of purpose

Renewed faith

Hopelessness

Reestablishing priorities

Redefining meaning and importance of life

Reworking life's assumptions to accommodate the trauma (e.g., taking a self-defense class to reestablish a sense of safety)

Sources: Briere & Scott, 2006b; Foa, Stein, & McFarlane, 2006; Pietrzak, Goldstein, Southwick, & Grant, 2011.