SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

R E CONTRACTORS CO., INC.; ALLIED PAVING COMPANY; ALPAV, INC.; SANDERS PAVING, INC.; (Additional Parties Attachment form is attached)

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):
CONSUMER ADVOCACY GROUP, INC., in the public interest

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CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT by <u>CHERYL CLARK</u> Orphdy

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You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse marest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court sierk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referrel service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Salf-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta vitación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carte o una liamada felefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito fiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesan su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formularlo que usteó pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar esfos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/aspanol/), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida el secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advariencia.

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Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Alameda

Rene C. Davidson Alameda County Courthouse

1225 Fallon St, Oakland, CA 94612

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiffs attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:

(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

Ben Yeroushalmi, Yeroushalmi & Associates, 3700 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 480.

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ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION INFORMATION PACKAGE

Effective April 15, 2005 (Revised March 2008)

Instructions to Plaintiff / Cross-Complainant

In all general civil cases filed in the trial courts after June 30, 2001, the plaintiff is required to serve a copy of this ADR information package on each defendant.

California Rules of Court, Rule 3.221 (excerpt)

(a) Court to provide information package

Each court must make available to the plaintiff, at the time the complaint is filed in all general civil cases, an alternative dispute resolution (ADR) information package that includes, at a minimum, all of the following:

- General information about the potential advantages and disadvantages of ADR and descriptions of the principal ADR processes....
- (2) Information about the ADR programs available in that court....
- (3) In counties that are participating in the Dispute Resolution Programs Act (DRPA), information about the availability of local dispute resolution programs funded under the DRPA....
- (4) An ADR stipulation form that parties may use to stipulate to the use of an ADR process.
- (b) Court may make package available on Web site

(c) Plaintiff to serve information package

In all general civil cases, the plaintiff must serve a copy of the ADR information package on each defendant together with the complaint. Cross-complainants must serve a copy of the ADR information package on any new parties to the action together with the cross-complaint.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ADR

Introduction to Alternative Dispute Resolution

Did you know that most civil lawsuits settle without a trial? And did you know that there are a number of ways to resolve civil disputes without having to sue somebody? These alternatives to a lawsuit are known as alternative dispute resolution (also called ADR). The most common forms of ADR are mediation, arbitration, and neutral evaluation. There are a number of other kinds of ADR as well.

In ADR, trained, impartial persons decide disputes or help parties decide disputes themselves. These persons are called neutrals. In mediation, for example, the neutral is the mediator. Neutrals normally are chosen by the disputing parties or by the court. Neutrals can help parties resolve disputes without having to go to court.

ADR is not new. ADR is available in many communities through court-connected and community dispute resolution programs and private neutrals.

Advantages of Alternative Dispute Resolution

ADR can have a number of advantages over a lawsuit:

- ADR can be speedier. A dispute often can be resolved in a matter of months, even weeks, through ADR, while a
 lawsuit can take years.
- ADR can save money. Court costs, attorney fees, and expert witness fees can be saved.
- ADR can permit more participation. With ADR, the parties may have more chances to tell their side of the story
 than in court and may have more control over the outcome.
- ADR can be flexible. The parties can choose the ADR process that is best for them.
- ADR can be cooperative. in mediation, for example, the parties having a dispute may work together with the
 neutral to resolve the dispute and agree to a remedy that makes sense to them, rather than work against each
 other.
- ADR can reduce stress. There are fewer, if any, court appearances. And because ADR can be speedier,
 cheaper, and can create an atmosphere in which the parties are normally cooperative, ADR is easier on the
 nerves. The parties do not have a lawsuit hanging over their heads. For all the above reasons, many people have
 reported a high degree of satisfaction with ADR.

Because of these advantages, many parties choose ADR to resolve a dispute instead of filing a lawsuit. Even when a lawsuit has been filed, ADR can be used before the parties' positions harden and the lawsuit becomes costly. ADR has been used to resolve disputes even after a trial, when the result is appealed.

Disadvantages of Alternative Dispute Resolution

ADR may not be suitable for every dispute.

If ADR is binding, the parties normally give up most court protections, including a decision by a judge or jury under formal rules of evidence and procedure and review for legal error by an appellate court.

There generally is less opportunity to find out about the other side's case with ADR than with litigation. ADR may not be effective if it takes place before the parties have sufficient information to resolve the dispute.

The neutral may charge a fee for his or her services.

If a dispute is not resolved through ADR, the parties may have to put time and money into both ADR and a lawsuit.

Lawsuits must be brought within specified periods of time, known as statutes of limitations. Parties must be careful not to let a statute of limitations run out while a dispute is in an ADR process.

Three Common Types of Alternative Dispute Resolution

This section describes the forms of ADR most often found in the California state courts and discusses when each may be right for a dispute.

Mediation

In mediation, a neutral (the mediator) assists the parties in reaching a multually acceptable resolution of their dispute. Unlike lawsuits or some other types of ADR, the mediator does not decide how the dispute is to be resolved; the parties do.

Mediation is a cooperative process in which the parties work together toward a resolution that tries to meet everyone's interests, instead of working against each other where at least one party loses. Mediation normally leads to better relations between the parties and to resolutions that hold up. For example, mediation has been very successful in family disputes, particularly with child custody and visitation.

Mediation is particularly effective when the parties have a continuing relationship, like neighbors or business people. Mediation also is very effective where personal feelings are getting in the way of a resolution. This is because mediation normally gives the parties a chance to let out their feelings and find out how they each see things.

Mediation may not be a good Idea when one party is unwilling to discuss a resolution or when one party has been a victim of the other or has unequal bargaining power in the mediation. However, mediation can be successful for victims seeking restitution from offenders. A mediator can meet with the parties separately when there has been violence between them.

Arbitration

In arbitration, a neutral (the arbitrator) reviews evidence, hears arguments, and makes a decision (award) to resolve the dispute. Arbitration normally is more informal, much quicker, and less expensive than a lawsuit. Often a case that may take a week to try in court can be heard by an arbitrator in a matter of hours, because evidence can be submitted by documents (like medical reports and bills and business records) rather than by testimony.

There are two kinds of arbitration in California:

- (1) Private arbitration, by agreement of the parties involved in the dispute, takes place outside of the courts and is normally binding. In most cases, "binding" means that the arbitrator's decision (award) is final and there will not be a trial or an appeal of that decision.
- (2) "Judicial arbitration" takes place within the court process and is not binding unless the parties agree at the outset to be bound. A party to this kind of arbitration who does not like a judicial arbitration award may file a request for trial with the court within a specified time. However, if that party does not do better in the trial than in arbitration, he or she may have to pay a penalty.

Arbitration is best for cases where the parties want a decision without the expense of a trial. Arbitration may be better than mediation when the parties have no relationship except for the dispute.

Arbitration may not be a good idea when the parties want to decide on the outcome of their dispute themselves.

Neutral Evaluation

In evaluation, a neutral (the evaluator) gives an opinion on the strengths and weaknesses of each party's evidence and arguments and makes an evaluation of the case. Each party gets a chance to present his or her side and hear the other side. This may lead to a settlement or at least help the parties prepare to resolve the dispute later on. If the neutral evaluation does not resolve the dispute, the parties may go to court or try another form of ADR.

Neutral evaluation, like mediation, can come early in the dispute and save time and money.

Neutral evaluation is most effective when a party has an unrealistic view of the dispute, when the only real issue is what the case is worth, or when there are technical or scientific questions to be worked out.

Neutral evaluation may not be a good idea when it is too soon to tell what the case is worth or if the dispute is about something besides money, like a neighbor playing loud music late at night.

Other Types of Alternative Dispute Resolution

There are several other types of ADR besides mediation, arbitration, and neutral evaluation. Some of these are conciliation, settlement conferences, fact-finding, mini-trials, and summary jury trials. Sometimes parties will try a combination of ADR methods. The important thing is to try to find the type or types of ADR that are most likely to resolve your dispute.

The selection of a neutral is an important decision. There is no legal requirement that the neutral be licensed or hold any particular certificate. However, some programs have established qualification requirements for neutrals. You may wish to inquire about the qualifications of any neutral you are considering.

Agreements reached through ADR normally are put in writing by the neutral and, if the parties wish, may become binding contracts that can be enforced by a judge.

You may wish to seek the advice of an attorney about your legal rights and other matters relating to the dispute.

Help Finding an Alternative Dispute Resolution Provider in Your Community

To locate a dispute resolution program or private neutral in your community:

- Visit the Court's Web site. The Alameda County Superior Court maintains a list of court-connected mediators, neutral evaluators, and private arbitrators at http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/adr/index.html
- Contact the Small Claims Court Legal Advisor. The small claims legal advisor for Alameda County is located at the Witey W. Manuel Courthouse, Self-Help Center. The phone number is 510-268-7665.
- Visit the California Department of Consumer Affairs' Web site. The Department of Consumer Affairs (also called the DCA) has posted a list of conflict resolution programs throughout the state. The list can be found at http://www.dca.ca.gov/consumer/mediation_programs.shtml

You can also call the Department of Consumer Affairs, Consumer Information Center, at 1-800-952-5210.

 Contact your local bar association. You can find a list of local bar associations in California on the State Bar Web site at http://members.calbar.ca.gov/search/ba_results.aspx?txtan=&txtin=&County=&District=&ClassTypes=C

If you cannot find a bar association for your area on the State Bar Web site, check the yellow pages of your telephone book under "Associations."

- Look in the yellow pages of your telephone book under "Arbitrators" or "Mediators".
- Automotive Repair, Smog Check: The California Bureau of Automotive Repair (also known as BAR) offers a
 free mediation service for consumers who are dissatisfied with an auto repair or a smog check, or who dispute an
 involce for such services. BAR registers and regulates California automotive repair facilities and licenses smog,
 lamp, and brake inspection stations. Learn more at
 http://www.smogcheck.ca.gov/StdPage.asp?Body=/Geninfo/Otherinfo/Mediation.htm#What%20is%20a%20Mediator or call 800-952-5210.
- Attorney Fees: The State Bar of California administers a mandatory fee arbitration program to resolve attorney
 fee disputes between lawyers and their clients. The program is an informal, low-cost forum and is mandatory for a
 lawyer if a client requests it. Mediation of attorney fees disputes may also be available in some areas of
 California. Learn more at http://www.calbar.org/2bar/3arb/3arbndx.htm or call 415-538-2020.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAMS IN ALAMEDA COUNTY

East Bay Community Mediation 1968 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94702-1612

Phone: (510) 548-2377; Fax: (510) 548-4051

http://www.ebcm.org/

EBCM is a community-based mediation program created by the union of Berkeley Dispute Resolution Service and Conciliation Forums of Oakland. EBCM offers counseling on options and approaches to resolving a dispute, mediation, large-group conflict facilitation, and conflict resolution skills workshops.

Catholic Charities of the East Bay: Oakland - Main Office 433 Jefferson Street, Oakland, CA 94607

Phone: (510) 768-3100; Fax: (510) 451-6998

http://www<u>.cceb.org/</u>

Mediators are responsible for mediation sessions involving the youth, victim and family members to work towards a mutually agreeable restitution agreement. Also, provide free workshops in anger management and mediation.

Center for Community Dispute Settlement 291 McLeod Street, Livermore, CA 94550

Phone: (925) 373-1035; Fax: (925) 449-0945

http://www.trivalleymediation.com/

Provides services in Tri-Valley for all of Alameda County. Program goals are to increase the number of court cases resolved, mediating small claims cases four days per week, and training youth in listening and conflict resolution skills.

ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT ADR PROGRAM

ADR Program Administrator

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 10.783, the presiding judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda designated the Court Executive Officer to serve as ADR program administrator.

A Plaintiff may elect, the parties may stipulate, or a judge may refer a case to Judicial Arbitration. The Judicial Arbitration Program Coordinator may be contacted during regular court business hours at (510) 690-2705.

The Judicial Arbitration Process

Appointment of Arbitrator (must be appointed within 30 days after referral per CRC 3.815(c)(2)).

- ⇒ Parties mailed list of five names from which to select (list mailed within 5-10 business days after receipt of referral).
- ⇒ Each party may reject one of the names listed (10 calendar days per CRC 3.815(b)(3)).
- ⇒ The administrator randomly appoints the arbitrators from the names remaining on the list or if one name remains then that name is deemed appointed (CRC 3.815(4)).

Assignment of Case (CRC 3.817)

⇒ Within 15 days of notice of the appointment, the arbitrator shall contact parties in writing about time, date, and place of the hearing. The parties shall receive at least 30 days notice prior to the hearing.

Hearings (CRC 3.817)

⇒ Must be scheduled to be completed not more than 90 days from the date the arbitrator was assigned. For good cause shown, a Judge may continue the case beyond this 90-day period.

Award of Arbitrator

- ⇒ The arbitrator must file an award within 10 days of the conclusion of the arbitration hearing. The arbitrator may apply to the court for an additional 20 days in cases of unusual length or complexity (CRC 3.825(b)).
- ⇒ Within 30 days of the filing of the award, a party may file a request for trial (CRC 3.826(a)).
- ⇒ The clerk must immediately enter the arbitration award as a judgment if no party has served and filed a request for trial during the 30-day period after the award is filed (CRC 3.827).

Return of Case to Court

- ⇒ Upon the filing of a request for trial, the action must proceed as provided under an applicable case management order or, if there is no pending order, promptly set for a case management conference. (CRC 3.826(b)).
- ⇒ When a judgment is entered, the clerk will notify all parties who have appeared in the case including the judge to whom the case is assigned if there is one (CRC 3.827(b)).
- ⇒ If a case is settled then each plaintiff or other party must notify the arbitrator and the court as required under California Rules of Court, rule 3.1385 (CRC 3.829).

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA Gale/Schenone Hall of Justice 5672 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, CA 94588 Fremont Hall of Justice 39439 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont, CA 94538 Berkeley Courthouse 2000 Center Street, 2rd Fl., Berkeley, CA 94704 ☐ Hayward Hall of Justice ☐ René C. Davidson Courthouse 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, CA 94612 ☐ George E. McDonald Hall of Justice 2233 Shoreline Drive, Alameda, CA 94501 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, CA 94544 Wiley W. Manuel Courthouse 881 Washington Street, Oakland, CA 94607 Case No.: Plaintiff STIPULATION FOR ALTERNATIVE VS. 1 DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) Defendant The parties by and through their attorneys of record hereby stipulate to submit the within controversy to the following Alternative Dispute Resolution process: ORDER The foregoing stipulation having been read and considered and good cause appearing, now therefore, IT IS SO ORDERED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the matter be set for Order to Show Cause Hearing RE: Dismissal on ______ at ____a.m./p.m. in Department ____

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

(SEAL)

Dated:

ENDORSED FILED.) REUBEN YEROUSHALMI (SBN 193981) ALAMEDA COUNTY DANIEL D. CHO (SBN 105409) BEN YEROUSHALMI (SBN 232540) MAY 1 2 2008 || YEROUSHALMI & ASSOCIATES CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT 3700 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 480 By CHERYL CLARK LOS ANGELES, CA 90010 Telephone:213-382-3183 5 213-382-3430 Facsimile: lawfirm@yeroushalmi.com Email: 6 Attorneys for Plaintiff, Consumer Advocacy Group, Inc. 7 8 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 9 COUNTY OF ALAMEDA-UNLIMITED 10 IJ) CASE NO. RG 08386836 CONSUMER ADVOCACY GROUP, INC., in the public interest, 12 COMPLAINT FOR PENALTY, INJUNCTION, AND RESTITUTION 15 Plaintiff, Violation of Proposition 65, the Safe ٧. Drinking Water and Texic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Health & Saf. Code., §§ R E CONTRACTORS CO., INC.; ALLIED 16 17 18 25249.5, et seq.) PAVING COMPANY; ALPAV, INC.; SANDERS PAVING, INC.; CALIBER ACTION IS AN UNLIMITED CIVIL PAVING COMPANY, INC.; TLG PAVING CASE (exceeds \$25,000) COMPANY, INC.; ALLSTAR PAVING COMPANY, INC.; CURCIO 19 ENTERPRISES, INC.; HALF MOON BAY GRADING & PAVING, INC.; NO FAULT 20 ASPHALT, INC.; and DOES 1-100; 21 Defendants. 22 23 COMES NOW plaintiff, Consumer Advocacy Group, Inc., who, for a cause of action, alleges 24 25 as follows. 26 27 28

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1. In 1986, California voters approved an initiative to address growing concerns about exposure to toxic chemicals. The initiative, The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, codified at Health and Safety Code sections 25249.5 et seq. ("Proposition 65"), helps to protect California's drinking water sources from contamination, to allow consumers to make informed choices about the products they buy, and to enable persons to protect themselves from toxic chemicals as they see fit.

- 2. Proposition 65 requires the Governor of California to publish a list of chemicals known to the state to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm. Health & Saf. Code, § 25249.8. The Est, which the Governor updates at least once a year, contains over 550 chemicals. Proposition 65 imposes warning requirements and other controls that apply to Proposition 65 listed chemicals.
- 3. All businesses with ten or more employees that operate or sell products in California must comply with Proposition 65. Under Proposition 65, businesses are: (1) prohibited from knowingly discharging Proposition 65 listed chemicals into sources of drinking water (Health & Saf. Code, § 25249.5), and (2) required to provide "clear and reasonable" warnings before exposing a person, knowingly and intentionally, to a Proposition 65 listed chemical (Health & Saf. Code, § 25249.6.)
- Plaintiff, Consumer Advocacy Group, Inc. ("Plaintiff") is a non-profit California corporation. It brings this action in the public interest as defined under Health and Safety Code section 25249.7, subdivision (d).
- 5. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thercon alleges that defendants, R E Contractors Co., Inc.; Allied Paving Company; Alpay, Inc.; Sanders Paving, Inc.; Caliber Paving

Company, Inc.; TLG Paving Company, Inc.; Alistar Paving Company, Inc.; Curcio Enterprises, Inc.; Half Moon Bay Grading & Paving, Inc.; and No Fault Asphalt, Inc. are and at all times mentioned herein have been California Corporations qualified to do business in the State of California, and at all times mentioned herein have conducted business within the State of California.

- 6. Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of defendants sued as Does 1-100, and therefore Plaintiff sues these defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiff will amend this complaint to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained.

 Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that each fictitiously named defendant is responsible in some manner for the occurrences herein alleged and the damages caused thereby.
- 7. At all times mentioned herein, "Defendants" include R E Contractors Co., Inc.; Allied Paving Company, Alpav, Inc.; Sanders Paving, Inc.; Caliber Paving Company, Inc.; TLG Paving Company, Inc.; Allstar Paving Company, Inc.; Curcio Enterprises, Inc.; Half Moon Bay Grading & Paving, Inc.; No Fault Asphalt, Inc.; and Does 1-100.
- 8. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that at all relevant times, each defendant was a person doing business within the meaning of Health and Safety Code section 25249.11, subdivision (a), and that each defendant has had 10 or more employees.
- 9. In 2000 and 2001, Plaintiff conducted research, from which it identified an industry-wide practice among California companies involved in paving operations, of exposing, knowingly and intentionally, persons to the numerous Proposition 65 listed constituents of asphalt and asphalt paving products without first providing clear and reasonable

warnings of such to the exposed persons prior to exposure. Plaintiff later discerned that Defendants engaged in such industry-wide practice.

- 10. Defendants have been exposing persons, knowingly and intentionally, by using asphalt or asphalt paving products, including Hot Mix Asphalt, to the constituent Proposition 65 listed chemicals of such substances without first giving clear and reasonable warning of such to the exposed persons, in violation of Proposition 65. Defendants' violations of Proposition 65 have been ongoing and continuous and have continued to the date of the signing of this complaint.
- 11. Plaintiff mailed a separate Proposition 65 Sixty-day Notice of intent to sue to each named defendant. Such notices stated that each respective defendant, by failing to warn persons of exposures to Proposition 65 listed chemicals before exposing them, knowingly and intentionally, to such chemicals, had violated Proposition 65. CAG also served copies of the notices upon the California Attorney General and the County District Attorneys and City Attorneys for each city containing a population of at least 750,000 people, for the locations within which Defendants allegedly violated Proposition 65.
- 12. The Court has jurisdiction over this lawsuit pursuant to California Constitution Article VI, Section 10, which grants the Superior Court original jurisdiction in all causes except those given by statute to other trial courts. Plaintiff brings this lawsuit under statutes that do not specify any other basis of jurisdiction.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION BY CONSUMER ADVOCACY GROUP, INC. AND AGAINST DEFENDANTS R.E. CONTRACTORS CO., INC.; ALLIED PAVING COMPANY; ALPAV, INC.; SANDERS PAVING, INC.; CALIBER PAVING COMPANY, INC.; TLG PAVING COMPANY, INC.; ALLSTAR PAVING COMPANY, INC.; CURCIO ENTERPRISES, INC.; HALF MOON BAY GRADING & PAVING, INC.; NO FAULT ASPHALT, INC.; and DOES 1-100 FOR VIOLATIONS OF PROPOSITION 65,

THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (HEALTH & SAF. CODE, §§ 25249.5. ET SEQ.

- 13. Plaintiff repeats and incorporates by reference the preceding paragraphs of this complaint as though fully set forth here.
- 14. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants are and at all times mentioned here have been engaged in the business of paving of roads, berms, pathways, parking lots, or other surfaces, or stripping asphalt, which has entailed the use of asphalt or asphalt paving products or the handling of the same.
- 15. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants have been exposing persons, knowingly and intentionally, by deliberately using aspiralt or aspait paving products or stripping the same, to the constituent Proposition 65 listed chemicals of asphalt, without first giving clear and reasonable warning of such to the exposed persons before the time of exposure.
- 16. On or about August 29, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to R E Contractors Co., Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 17. On or about March 9, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to Allied Paving Company alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 18. On or about March 9, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to Alpay, Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.

- 19. On or about March 3, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to Sanders Paving, Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 20. On or about March 9, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to Caliber Paving Company, Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 21. On or about March 9, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to TLG Paving Company, Inc. alleging the facts found in Faragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 22. On or about March 9, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to Alistar Paving Company, Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 23. On or about March 9, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to Curcio Enterprises, Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 24. On or about August 29, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to Half Moon Bay Grading & Paving, Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 25. On or about August 29, 2006, Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue to No Fault Asphalt, Inc. alleging the facts found in Paragraphs 11 and 15 of this pleading.
- 26. Each Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue listed above included a certificate of merit executed by the attorney for the noticing party, Plaintiff. The certificate of merit

stated that the attorney for Plaintiff who executed the certificate had consulted with at least one person with relevant and appropriate expertise who had reviewed data regarding the exposure to Proposition 65 listed chemicals relevant to this action. Based on that information, the attorney for Plaintiff who executed the certificate believed there was a reasonable and meritorious case for this private action. The attorney for Plaintiff attached to the certificate of merit served on the Attorney General information sufficient to establish the basis of the certificate of merit.

- 27. Plaintiff is commencing this action more than sixty days (plus five calendar days because the places of address were within California) from the date that Plaintiff gave notice of the alleged violations of Proposition 65 to each respective named defendant, applicable public prosecutors in whose jurisdictions the violations allegedly occurred.
- 28. Plaintiff is informed, believes, and thereon alleges that neither the Attorney General nor any applicable district attorney or city attorney has commenced and is diligently prosecuting an action against the violation.

ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURES

29. Between three years before the sending of each respective Proposition 65 Sixty-Day

Notice of Intent to Sue and the present, in the normal course of business, Defendants

conducted operations involving or relating to the paving or stripping of roads, pathways,

berms, parking lots, or other surfaces. Defendants have been knowingly and intentionally

exposing reasonably foreseeable members of the public, including residents, passersby,

motorists, engineers, and inspectors not employed by Defendants and found within 100

feet of where paving work was performed, to the Proposition 65 listed chemical

- constituents of asphalt of related materials, including Hot Mix Asphalt, without first giving clear and reasonable warning of such to exposed persons.
- 30. The sources of exposures are the constituent chemicals of asphalt or related materials, and the use of such. The locations of the exposures include areas within 100 feet of Defendants' places of business, where asphalt or asphalt products have been heated or otherwise readied for use, to the area along and within 100 feet of the route traveled between said places of business and paving work sites. Persons at those locations have breathed in smoke and associated fumes from asphalt or asphalt products causing contact with their mouths, throats, esophagi, and lungs.
- 31. The route of exposure for environmental exposures has been the inhalation contact described above. Exposures took place in the California counties whose District Attorneys received copies of the operative Sixty-Day Notices. Exposures took place both on and beyond property owned or controlled by Defendants

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE

- 32. Between three years before the sending of each respective Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue and the present, in the normal course of business, Defendants, by storing, heating, installing, laying, or stripping asphalt or asphalt products, have knowingly and intentionally exposed their employees to the constituent Proposition 65 listed chemicals of such subtrances without first giving clear and reasonable warning of such to their employees.
- 33. The sources of exposures include the constituent Proposition 65 listed chemicals of asphalt or materials, and the use or stripping of such substances. Employees of Defendants sustaining exposures include, but are not limited to, paving contractors, flag

persons, arivers, paving machine operators, or workers involved in grading and raking asphalt at work sites. Exposures occurred in locations including storage facilities/garage areas where asphalt or asphalt products were stored or readied for use, on and in the vicinity of work vehicles transporting asphalt, work sites, and areas along the routes traveled between storage facilities/garage areas and paving work sites, by which the asphalt or asphalt products were transported. The route of exposure for occupational exposures to the relevant chemicals has been from asphalt or asphalt products, including Hot Mix Asphalt, asphalt smoke, diesel smoke, or associated fumes breathed in via the ambient air by exposed persons (and was a direct result of helping apply or strip asphalt, or being near where asphalt was mixed, heated, or transported) causing inhalation contact with their mouths, throats, esophagi, and lungs. Employees also sustained a route of exposure of dermal contact by touching asphalt with their bare skin while mixing, heating, transporting, applying, or stripping asphalt at work locations, as well as by touching asphalt with work gloves and then touching their bare skin. Exposures occurred in the counties whose district attorneys received copies of the operative notices.

34. For each such type and means of exposure, the violators have exposed and are continuing to expose the above referenced persons to:

CARCINOGENS: Benz[a]anthracene; Chrysene; Toluene; diisocyanate;

Formaldehyde (gas); 5-Methylchrysene; Nickel and Certain Nickel Compounds;

Dichloromethane (Methylene Chloride); Benzene; Lead and Lead Compounds;

Benzo[b]flouranthene; Benzo[k]flouranthene; Benzo[a]pyreneIndene[1,2,3-cd]; pyrene;

Acetaldehyde; Beryllium and Beryllium compounds; Arsenic (inorganic arsenic compounds); Cadmium and Cadmium compounds; Chromium (hexavalent compounds);

Tetrachloroethylene (Perchloroethylene); Trichloroethylene; ChryseneDibenz[a,h]; anthracene; Carbazele, Dibenzo[a,i]pyrene; Dibenzo[a,e]pyrene; Dibenzo[a,j]acridine; Dibenzo[a,h]pyrene; Dibenzo[a,l]pyrene; Acetaldehyde; Benz[a]anthracene; 1,3 Butadiene; Diesei Engine Exhaust; Silica, crystalline (airborne particles of respirable size)

REPRODUCTIVE TOXINS: Toluene; Carbon Disulfide; Benzene; Lead; Mercury and Mercury compounds; Arsenic (inorganic oxides); Cadmium; Methyl Chloride

- 35. Each Proposition 65 listed chemical listed above first appeared on the Governor's Proposition 65 list more than twenty months before Plaintiff sent a Proposition 65 Sixty-Day Notice of intent to sue to each respective named defendant. Therefore, each Proposition 65 listed chemical was subject fully to Proposition 65 warning requirements and discharge prohibitions.
- 36. For the past several years, both the Attorney General and Plaintiff have investigated and prosecuted Asphalt Paving entities as an industry for alleged violations of Proposition 65.

 Plaintiff and its counsel expended and continue to expend significant resources in trying to bring all members of the Asphalt Paving Industry into compliance with Proposition 65.

 The Attorney General and Plaintiff co-litigated a previous action that resulted in a universal settlement with over 100 asphalt paving entities. That settlement had an extensive opt-in period that allowed all paving entities, including Defendants, to join the settlement and end their continual violations of Proposition 65 and their potential liabilities for such violations. Accordingly, Defendants had many opportunities to comply with Proposition 65.

37. Instead, Defendants flouted their various opportunities to comply with Proposition 65, and chose instead to ignore the win-win settlement agreement offered by both the Attorney General and CAG. The settlement would have benefited all parties involved, requiring Defendants to reduce significantly occupational and environmental exposures, and to post statutory warnings. By choosing to continue their violations, Defendants have significantly enlarged their potential liabilities for violating Proposition 65.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff in the FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION demands against each defendant as follows:

- A permanent injunction pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25249.7, subdivision (a), and the equitable powers of the court, for the posting of statutory warnings;
- 2. Penalties pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25249.7, subdivision (b) of \$2,500 per day per violation;
- 4. Costs of suit;
- 5. Reasonable attorney fees and costs; and
- 6. Any further relief that the court may deem just and equitable.

Dated: May 7,208

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