2	WILLIAM VERICK, SBN 140972 KLAMATH ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER FREDRIC EVENSON, SBN 198059 424 First Street Eureka, CA 95501 SUMMONS ISSUED FILED San Francisco County Superior Court
1	- 1 (707) 2(0,000)
- 11	Fax: (707) 268-8900 E-mail: wverick@igc.org E-mail: ecorights@earthlink.net SE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE SF CLERK OF THE COURT BY:
6	DAVID WILLIAMS, SBN 144479 NOV 1 9 2010
H	BRIAN ACREE, SBN 202505 370 Grand Avenue, Suite 5
7	Oakland, CA 94610-48/4
8	Telephone: (510) 271-0826 Fax: (510) 271-0829
9	E-mail: dhwill7@gmail.com E-mail:brianacree@earthlink.net
10	E-man:onanacree@carummk.net
11	Attorneys for Plaintiff, MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION
12	WIATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS
13	SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
14	COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO (Unlimited Jurisdiction)
15	· ·
16	MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL CASE NO. 10-500847 JUSTICE FOUNDATION,
17	
18	Plaintiff, COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND CIVIL PENALTIES
19	V. 71112 27 12 1
20	H.D. HUDSON MANUFACTURING COMPANY; AMAZON.COM, INC.; DO IT
21	REST CORP.: ORCHARD SUPPLY
22	HARDWARE STORES; WAL-MART STORES, INC. BUSINESS TORT
23	Defendants.
24	MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION alleges as follows:
25	INTRODUCTION
26	
27	1. This Complaint seeks civil penalties and an injunction to remedy the continuing
28	failure of defendants H.D. HUDSON MANUFACTURING COMPANY; AMAZON.COM,
	COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTION AND CIVIL PENALTIES 1

COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTION AND CIVIL PENALTIES

INC.; DO IT BEST CORP.; ORCHARD SUPPLY HARDWARE STORES; and WAL-MART STORES, INC. (hereinafter "Defendants"), to give clear and reasonable warnings to those residents of California, who handle, use and/or maintain sprayers and sprayer accessories marketed by Defendant H.D. Hudson Manufacturing company ("H.D. Hudson") that handling and use of H.D. Hudson's sprayers causes those residents to be exposed to lead and lead compounds, lead acetate, lead phosphate, and lead subacetate (hereinafter, collectively, "lead"). These sprayers and sprayer accessories (collectively hereinafter "sprayers") utilize components that are made from leaded brass. The specific H.D. Hudson sprayers at issue in the complaint are those listed in the Products Lists of the Proposition 65 Notice of Violation Letter that is attached to this complaint and which is incorporated into it. Lead is known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and male and female reproductive toxicity. Defendants manufacture, distribute, and/or market H.D. Hudson sprayers. These products cause exposures to lead and lead compounds, which are chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm.

- 2. Defendants are businesses that manufacture, market, and/or distribute H.D. Hudson sprayers. Defendants intend that residents of California handle, use and/or maintain H.D. Hudson sprayers that Defendants manufacture, market, and/or distribute. When these products are handled, used and/or maintained in their normally intended manner, they expose people to lead. In spite of knowing that residents of California were and are being exposed to these chemicals when they handle, use, and/or maintain H.D. Hudson sprayers, Defendants did not and do not provide clear and reasonable warnings that these products cause exposure to chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm.
- 3. Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7 to compel Defendants to bring their business practices into compliance with section 25249.5 et seq. by providing a clear and reasonable warning to each individual who has been and who in the future may be exposed to the above mentioned toxic chemicals from the use of Defendants' products.
 - 4. In addition to injunctive relief, plaintiff seeks civil penalties to remedy the failure

of Defendants to provide clear and reasonable warnings regarding exposure to chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm. Plaintiff also seeks an order that defendants identify and locate each individual person who in the past has purchased H.D. Hudson sprayers and to provide to each such purchaser a clear and reasonable warning that the H.D. Hudson sprayers will cause exposures to chemicals known to cause birth defects.

PARTIES

- 5. Plaintiff MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION ("Mateel") is a non-profit organization dedicated to, among other causes, the protection of the environment, promotion of human health, environmental education, and consumer rights. Mateel is based in Eureka, California, and is incorporated under the laws of the State of California. Mateel is a "person" pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 25118. Mateel brings this enforcement action in the public interest pursuant to Health & Safety Code §25249.7(d). Residents of California are regularly exposed to lead and lead compounds from H.D. Hudson sprayers manufactured, distributed or marketed by Defendants and are so exposed without a clear and reasonable Proposition 65 warning.
- 6. Defendants are each a person doing business within the meaning of Health & Safety Code Section 25249.11. Defendants are businesses that manufacture, distribute, and/or market H.D. Hudson sprayers in California, including the City and County of San Francisco. Manufacture, distribution and/or marketing of these products in the City and County of San Francisco and/or to people who live in San Francisco, causes people to be exposed to lead and lead compounds while they are physically present in the City and County of San Francisco.
- 7. Plaintiff brings this enforcement action against Defendants pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7(d). Attached hereto and incorporated by reference is a copy of a Notice of Violation letter dated March 11, 2010, which Mateel sent to California's Attorney General. Letters identical in substance were sent to every District Attorney in the state, and to the City Attorneys of every California city with a population greater than 750,000. On those same respective dates, Mateel sent an identical Notice of Violation letter to each defendant. Attached

to the Notice of Violation Letters sent to each defendant was a summary of Proposition 65 that was prepared by California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment. In addition, each Notice of Violation Letter plaintiff sent was accompanied by a Certificate of Service attesting to the service of the Notice of Violation Letter on each entity which received it. Pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7(d), a Certificate of Merit attesting to the reasonable and meritorious basis for the action was also sent with each Notice of Violation Letter. Factual information sufficient to establish the basis of the Certificate of Merit was enclosed with the Notice of Violation letter Mateel sent to the Attorney General.

8. Defendants are all businesses that employ more than ten people.

JURISDICTION

- 9. The Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7. California Constitution Article VI, Section 10 grants the Superior Court "original jurisdiction in all causes except those given by statute to other trial courts." Chapter 6.6 of the Health & Safety Code, which contains the statutes under which this action is brought, does not grant jurisdiction to any other trial court.
- 10. This Court also has jurisdiction over Defendants because they are businesses that have sufficient minimum contacts in California and within the City and County of San Francisco. Defendants intentionally availed themselves of the California and San Francisco County markets for H.D. Hudson sprayers. It is thus consistent with traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice for the San Francisco Superior Court to exercise jurisdiction over them.
- 11. Venue is proper in this Court because Defendants market their H.D. Hudson sprayers in and around San Francisco and thus cause people to be exposed to lead and lead compounds while those people are physically present in San Francisco. Liability for Plaintiff's causes of action, or some parts thereof, has accordingly arisen in San Francisco during the times relevant to this Complaint and Plaintiff seeks civil penalties and forfeitures imposed by statutes.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Claim for Injunctive Relief)

12. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference into this First Claim for Relief, as

if specifically set forth herein, paragraphs 1 through 11, inclusive.

- 13. The People of the State of California have declared by referendum under Proposition 65 (California Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq.) their right "[t]o be informed about exposures to chemicals that cause cancer, birth defects, and reproductive harm."
- 14. To effectuate this goal, Section 25249.6 of the Health and Safety Code mandates that persons who, in the course of doing business, knowingly and intentionally expose any individual to a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer or birth defects must first provide a clear and reasonable warning to such individual prior to the exposure.
- Health and Safety Code Section 25249.6 et seq. This conduct includes knowingly and intentionally exposing to the above mentioned toxic chemicals, those California residents who handle, use, and/or maintain H.D. Hudson sprayers. The normally intended use of H.D. Hudson sprayers causes exposure to lead and lead compounds, which are chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm. Defendants have not provided clear and reasonable warnings, within the meaning of Health & Safety Code Sections 25249.6 and 25249.11.
- 16. At all times relevant to this action, Defendants knew that the H.D. Hudson sprayers they manufactured, distributed or marketed were causing exposures to lead and lead compounds. Defendants intended that residents of California handle, use and/or maintain H.D. Hudson sprayers in such ways as would lead to significant exposures to these chemicals.
- 17. By the above described acts, Defendants have violated Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 and are therefore subject to an injunction ordering them to stop violating Proposition 65, requiring them to provide warnings to their past customers who purchased defendants' products without receiving a clear and reasonable warning, and to provide warnings to future customers.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION (Claim for Civil Penalties)

18. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference into this First Claim for Relief, as

if specifically set forth herein, paragraphs 1 through 17, inclusive.

19. By the above described acts, Defendants are liable and should be liable pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b), for a civil penalty of \$2,500.00 per day for each

individual exposed to lead and lead compounds from the handling or use of Defendants' H.D. Hudson sprayers.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Wherefore, plaintiff prays for judgment against DEFENDANTS, as follows:

- A. Pursuant to the First Cause of Action, that all Defendants be enjoined, restrained, and ordered to comply with the provisions of Section 25249.6 of the California Health & Safety Code;
- B. Pursuant to the Second Cause of Action, that each Defendants be assessed a civil penalty in an amount equal to \$2,500.00 per day per individual exposed, in violation of Section 25249.6 of the California Health & Safety Code, to lead and lead compounds as the result of Defendants' manufacturing, distributing or marketing of H.D. Hudson sprayers;
- C. That Defendants be ordered to identify and locate each individual who purchased H.D. Hudson sprayers and provide a warning to each such person that the H.D. Hudson sprayers the person purchased will expose that person to chemicals known to cause birth defects.
- D. That Defendants be ordered to pay Mateel's attorney's fees and costs incurred in prosecuting this action.
 - E. For such other relief as this court deems just and proper.

Dated: May 27, 2010

KLAMATH ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER

William Verick
Attorney for Plaintiff

Mateel Environmental Justice Foundation



March 11, 2010

PROPOSITION 65 ENFORCEMENT REPORTING ATTENTION: PROP 65 COORDINATOR 1515 CLAY STREET, SUITE 2000 P.O. BOX 70550 OAKLAND CA 94612-0550

Greetings:

This office and the Mateel Environmental Justice Foundation ("Mateel") give you notice that the private companies listed on the attached service list have been, are, will be and threaten to be in violation of Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.6. Both this office and Mateel are private enforcers of Proposition 65, both may be contacted at the below listed address and telephone number, and I am a responsible individual for both Mateel and this office. The above referenced violations occur when California residents use and/or maintain the sprayers and sprayer accessories (hereinafter collectively, "sprayers") listed on the attached Product List. These sprayers are manufactured and/or marketed by H.D. Hudson Mfg. Co. These sprayers expose people to lead and lead compounds (hereinafter "lead") while those people are physically present within the geographical boundaries of the state of California. These sprayers cause lead exposures when people touch components of these products that are made of leaded brass. Components of these products that are made of leaded brass are: the control valves, the spray wands, the extension assemblies, the connectors, and the nozzles and nozzle assemblies (hereinafter "leaded brass components"). People have to touch these leaded brass components when they hold the spray wand while spraying, when they adjust the spray pattern, and when they maintain or replace the spray wands. Lead is continuously on the surface of the leaded brass components and when people touch the leaded brass components, lead from the components comes off on the hands of these people. Lead is thus transferred from the sprayers to the hands of the people using and/or maintaining these products. The lead then enters their bodies when it is absorbed directly through the skin, through mucous membranes, or through cuts and/or abrasions, when the lead-exposed sprayer-users touch their hands to their mouths and other mucous membranes, or when they touch cigarettes or food and then smoke the cigarettes or ingest the food. These exposures thus occur via the dermal absorption, mucous membrane, subcutaneous, inhalation and ingestion routes. The listed private businesses did not and do not provide people with clear and reasonable warnings before they expose them to lead. The above referenced violations have occurred every day since at least March 11, 2007, and will continue every day until the lead is taken out of these products or until warnings are given. These violations are alleged for occupational exposures as well as for consumer and environmental exposures. We do not, however, allege occupational exposure violations as to any leaded-brass or bronze tools made outside of California, except as to workplaces the companies themselves maintain in California. Exposures constituting Proposition 65 environmental exposure violations occur both on and off the listed businesses' properties and in each of California's 58 counties.

Condially,

William Verick

SERVICE LIST

PROPOSITION 65 ENFORCEMENT REPORTING ATTENTION: PROP 65 COORDINATOR 1515 CLAY STREET, SUITE 2000 POST OFFICE BOX 70550 OAKLAND, CA 94612-0550

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CITY OF OAKLAND 505 14TH ST 12TH FLOOR OAKLAND, CA 94612

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO CITY HALL ROOM 206 400 VAN NESS SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CITY OF SACRAMENTO PO BOX 1948 SACRAMENTO, CA 95812-1948

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CITY OF SAN JOSE 200 EAST SANTA CLARA STREET SAN JOSE, CA 95113

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CITY OF LOS ANGELES 200 N. MAIN ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY CITY OF SAN DIEGO CONSUMER & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION 1200 THIRD AVENUE, SUITE 700 SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 1225 FALLON STREET ROOM 900 OAKLAND, CA 94612

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF ALPINE P.O. BOX 248 MARKLEEVILLE, CA 96120

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF AMADOR 708 COURT STREET JACKSON, CA 95642

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF BUTTE 25 COUNTY CENTER DR. OROVILLE, CA 95965

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF CALAVERAS GOVERNMENT CENTER 891 MOUNTAIN RANCH ROAD SAN ANDREAS, CA95249

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF COLUSA 547 MARKET STREET COLUSA, CA 95932

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA P.O. BOX 670 MARTINEZ, CA 94553

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF DEL NORTE 450 H ST #171 CRESCENT CITY, CA 95531

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF EL DORADO \$15 MAIN ST. PLACERVILLE, CA 95667

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF FRESNO 2220 TULARE ST #1000 FRESNO, CA 93721

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF GLENN P.O. BOX 430 WILLOWS, CA 95988

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 5TH ST. EUREKA, CA 95501

COUNTY OF IMPERIAL COURTHOUSE, FLOOR 2 939 W. MAIN ST EL CENTRO, CA 92243

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF INYO P.O. DRAWER D INDEPENDENCE, CA 93526

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF KERN 1215 TRUXTUN AVE. FLOOR 4 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93301

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF KINGS 1400 W. LACEY BLVD. HANFORD, CA 93230

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF LAKE 255 N. FORBES ST # 424 LAKEPORT, CA 95453

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF LASSEN 220 SOUTH LASSEN ST. STE 8 SUSANVILLE, CA 96130

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 18000 CRIMINAL COURTS BUILDING 210 W. TEMPLE ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MADERA 209 W. YOSEMITE AVE. MADERA, CA 93637

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MARIN HALL OF JUSTICE #183 SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MARIPOSA P.O. BOX 730 MARIPOSA, CA 95338

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MENDOCINO PO BOX 1000 UKIAH, CA 95482

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MERCED 2222 M ST. MERCED, CA 95340

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MODOC 204 SOUTH COURT STREET ALTURAS, CA 96101

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MONO P.O. BOX 617 BRIDGEPORT, CA 93517

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF MONTEREY 240 CHURCH STREET P.O. BOX 1131 SALINAS, CA 93902

COUNTY OF NAPA 931 PARKWAY MALL P.O. BOX 720 NAPA, CA 94559-0720

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF NEVADA 110 UNION STREET NEVADA CITY, CA 95959 OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF ORANGE 401 CIVIC CENTER DR WEST SANTA ANA, CA 92701

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF PLACER 10810 JUSTICE CENTER DR., STE 240 ROSEVILLE, CA 95678

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF PLUMAS 520 MAIN STREET #404 OUINCY, CA 95971

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 4075 MAIN ST. RIVERSIDE, CA 92501

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO 901 G STREET SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SAN BENITO 419 4TH ST HOLLISTER, CA 95023

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO 316 MT. VIEW AVE. SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415-0004

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO 330 W. BROADWAY, SUITE 1100 SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO 850 BRYANT ST #322 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94103

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN 222 E. WEBER AVE #202 STOCKTON, CA 95202

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER #450 SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA 93408

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SAN MATEO HALL OF JUSTICE AND RECORDS REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA 1112 SANTA BARBARA ST. SANTA BARBARA, CA 93101

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA 70 W. HEDDING ST. SAN JOSE, CA 95110

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ. 701 OCEAN ST. #200 SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SHASTA 1525 COURT ST. REDDING, CA 96001

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SIERRA P.O. BOX 457 DOWNIEVILLE, CA 95936

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SISKIYOU P.O. BOX 986 YREKA, CA 96097

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SOLANO 600 UNION AVE FAIRFIELD, CA 94533

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SONOMA 600 ADMINISTRATION DR. #212J SANTA ROSA, CA 95403 OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF STANISLAUS 1100 I ST. #200 MODESTO, CA 95354

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SUTTER 1160 CIVIC CENTER BLVD. #A YUBA CITY, CA 95993

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF TEHAMA P.O. BOX 519 REDBLUFF, CA 96080

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF TRINITY P.O. BOX 310 WEAVERVILLE, CA 96093

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF TULARE COURTHOUSE #224 VISALIA, CA 93291

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF TUOLUMNE 2 S. GREEN ST. SONORA, CA 95370

VENTURA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE 800 SOUTH VICTORIA AVE VENTURA, CA 93009

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF YOLO 301 SECOND STREET WOODLAND, CA 95695

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF YUBA 215 5TH ST. MARYSVILLE, CA 95901

JEFFREY P. BEZOS, CEO AMAZON.COM, INC. 1200 12TH AVE. SOUTH, SUITE 1200 SEATTLE, WA 98144-2734

ROBERT TAYLOR, PRESIDENT DO IT BEST CORP. 6502 NELSON ROAD FORT WAYNE, IN 46803

R C HUDSON III, CEO H. D HUDSON MANUFACTURING COMPANY 170 HILLTOP AVE BARRINGTON, IL 60010

ROBERT M LYNCH, CEO ORCHARD SUPPLY HARDWARE STORES CORPORATION 3333 BEVERLY ROAD HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60179

MICHAEL DUKE, PRESIDENT WAL-MART STORES, INC. 702 SW 8TH STREET SUITE 0555 BENTONVILLE, AR 72716-0555

PRODUCT LIST

AMAZON.COM

HUSDON 2-N-1 YARD & GARDEN SPRAYER 3 GALLON MODEL #66193 UPC CODE: 029925 661936; HUDSON LIMITED EDITION SPRAYER 2 GALLON MODEL_#1905S2 UPC CODE: 029925 109056; HUDSON 2 N 1 SPRAYER 1 GALLON #66191 UPC CODE: 029925 661912; HUDSON 2 N 1 SPRAYER 2 GALLON MODEL #66192 UPC CODE: 029925 661929; HUDSON CURING COMPOUND SPRAYER 3.52 GALLON MODEL #91004CCV UPC CODE: 690247 910042

DO IT BEST CORP.

HUDSON 2-N-1 YARD & GARDEN SPRAYER 2 GALLON MODEL #66192 UPC CODE: 029925 661929; HUDSON 2 N 1 DECK & FENCE SPRAYER 1 GALLON #66191 UPC CODE: 029925 661912; HUDSON CONE NOZZLE-BRASS SPRAYER PARTS #69940 UPC CODE: 029925 699403; HUDSON 2 N 1 YARD & GARDEN SPRAYER 3 GALLON MODEL #66193 UPC CODE: 029925 661936

H.D. HUDSON MANUFACTURING COMPANY

HUDSON EXT-18" CURVED BRASS W/BRASS CONE NOZZLE 141-402 UPC CODE: 029925 414020; HUDSON PARTS NOZZLE CAP 9206889; HUDSON 2 N 1 DECK & FENCE SPRAYER 1 GALLON MODEL #66191 UPC CODE: 029925 661912; HUDSON 2 N 1 YARD & GARDEN SPRAYER 3 GALLON MODEL #66193 UPC CODE: 029925 661936; HUDSON BUGWISER SPRAYER 1.3 GALLON MODEL 67215 UPC CODE: 029925 672154; HUDSON CONE NOZZLE-BRASS SPRAYER PARTS #69940 UPC CODE: 029925 699403; HUSDON 2-N-1 YARD & GARDEN SPRAYER 2 GALLON MODEL #66192 UPC CODE: 029925 661929; GENUINE SPRAYER SERVICE PARTS FLAT FAN NOZZLE-BRASS 115-405 UPC CODE: 029925 154056; HUDSON CURING COMPOUND SPRAYER 3.52 GALLON MODEL #91004CCV UPC CODE: 690247 910042; HUDSON GENUINE SPRAYER SERVICE PARTS CONE-NOZZLE-BRASS 69940 UPC CODE: 029925 699403; HUDSON LIMITED EDITION SPRAYER 2 GALLON MODEL #1905S2 UPC CODE: 029925 109056; RANGER BAK-PAK FIRE PUMP SKU# 69024794015 5-GALLON

ORCHARD SUPPLY HARDWARE

HUDSON BUGWISER SPRAYER 1.3 GALLON MODEL 67215 UPC CODE: 029925 672154; HUDSON GENUINE SPRAYER SERVICE PARTS CONE-NOZZLE-BRASS 69940 UPC CODE: 029925 699403; GENUINE SPRAYER SERVICE PARTS FLAT FAN NOZZLE-BRASS 115-405 UPC CODE: 029925 154056; HUDSON PARTS FAN NOZZLE CAP SKU 9206905 115-405/115-403; HUDSON EXT-18' CURVED BRASS W/BRASS CONE NOZZLE REPLACEMENT SPRAY WAND 141-102 UPC CODE: 029925 414020

WAL-MART STORES, INC.

HUDSON BUGWISER SPRAYER 1.3 GALLON MODEL # 67215 UPC CODE: 029925 672154

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

I, William Verick, hereby declare: This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice(s) in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notices have violated Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings. I am the attorney for the noticing party. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action. Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on all other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiffs' case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute. The copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the person(s) consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the fact, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: March 11, 2010

William Verick

This notice alleges the violation of Proposition 65 with respect to occupational exposures governed by the California State Plan for Occupational Safety and Health. The State Plan incorporates the provisions of Proposition 65, as approved by Federal OSHA on June 6, 1997. This approval specifically placed certain conditions on Proposition 65, including that it does not apply to the conduct of manufacturers occurring outside the State of California. The approval also provides that an employer may use the means of compliances in the general hazard communication requirements to comply with Proposition 65. It also requires that supplemental enforcement is subject to the supervision of the California Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Accordingly, any settlement, civil complaint, or substantive court orders in this matter must be submitted to the Attorney General.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Nicole Frank, declare:

If called, I could and would testify as follows: I am over eighteen. My business address is 424 First Street, Eureka, California, 95501. On March 11, 2010, I caused the attached 60-DAY NOTICE LETTER, or a letter identical in substance, to be served by U.S. Mail on those public enforcement agencies listed on the attached SERVICE LIST; in addition on the same date and by U.S. Mail I caused the attached 60-DAY NOTICE LETTER and PROPOSITION 65: A SUMMARY to be sent by Certified U.S. Mail to the private business entities also listed on the attached SERVICE LIST. I deposited copies of these documents in envelopes, postage pre-paid, with the U.S. Postal Service on the day on which the mail is collected. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on March 11, 2010, at Eureka, California.

Nicole Frank