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13 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
14 COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
15 (Unlimited Jurisdiction)

16 MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL
JUSTICE FOUNDATION,

17 Plaintiff,

18 v.
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20 BANNER EQUIPMENT CO.; DANBY
PRODUCTS, INC.; DANBY PRODUCTS
21 LIMITED; GODINGER SILVER ART
LTD.; THE WASSERSTROM COMPANY
22 and WILBUR CURTIS CO., INC.
23 Defendants.

CASE NO. CGC-11-512062

AMENDED
COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF
AND CIVIL PENALTIES

TOXIC TORT/ENVIRONMENTAL

24 MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION alleges as follows:

25 INTRODUCTION

26 1. This Complaint seeks civil penalties and an injunction to remedy the continuing
27 failure of defendants BANNER EQUIPMENT CO.; DANBY PRODUCTS, INC.; DANBY
28 PRODUCTS LIMITED; GODINGER SILVER ART LTD.; THE WASSERSTROM

COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTION
AND CIVIL PENALTIES

ENDORSED
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San Francisco County Superior Court

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CLERK OF THE COURT
BY: KAREN LIU
Deputy Clerk

1 COMPANY and WILBUR CURTIS CO., INC. (hereinafter "Defendants"), to give clear and
2 reasonable warnings to those residents of California, who handle and use, and drink beverages
3 stored in or served from drink dispensers, such as beer kegs, that utilize valves, nozzles, faucets,
4 spigots and stopcocks made from lead-containing alloys (hereinafter referred to as "drink
5 dispensers"), that handling and use of and drinking from these drink dispensers causes those
6 residents to be exposed to lead and lead compounds, lead acetate, lead phosphate, and lead
7 subacetate (hereinafter, collectively, "lead"). The types of products to which this Complaint
8 pertains are those types listed in the Product Lists appended to the Proposition 65 Notice of
9 Violation Letters that are attached to and incorporated by reference into this Complaint. Lead is
10 known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and male and female reproductive
11 toxicity. Defendants distribute, and/or market drink dispensers. These products cause exposures
12 to lead and lead compounds, which are chemicals known to the State of California to cause
13 cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm.

14 2. Defendants market, and/or distribute drink dispensers. Defendants intend that
15 residents of California handle, use and drink beverages stored in, contained in or served from the
16 drink dispensers that Defendants market, and/or distribute. When these products are handled and
17 used in their normally intended manner and when people drink beverages that have been stored
18 in or served from these drink dispensers, the drink dispensers expose people to lead. In spite of
19 knowing that residents of California were and are being exposed to this toxic heavy metal when
20 they handle, use and drink beverages contained in or served from drink dispensers, Defendants
21 did not and do not provide clear and reasonable warnings that these products cause exposure to
22 chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm.

23 3. Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7
24 to compel Defendants to bring their business practices into compliance with section 25249.5 et
25 seq. by providing a clear and reasonable warning to each individual who has been and who in the
26 future may be exposed to lead from the use of Defendants' products. Plaintiff seeks an order that
27 defendants identify and locate each individual person who in the past has purchased drink
28 dispensers and to provide to each such purchaser a clear and reasonable warning that the drink

1 dispensers will cause exposures to chemicals known to cause birth defects.

2 4. In addition to injunctive relief, plaintiff seeks civil penalties to remedy the failure
3 of Defendants to provide clear and reasonable warnings regarding exposure to chemicals known
4 to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm.

5 PARTIES

6 5. Plaintiff MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION ("Mateel")
7 is a non-profit organization dedicated to, among other causes, the protection of the environment,
8 promotion of human health, environmental education, and consumer rights. Mateel is based in
9 Eureka, California, and is incorporated under the laws of the State of California. Mateel is a
10 "person" pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 25118. Mateel brings this enforcement
11 action in the public interest pursuant to Health & Safety Code §25249.7(d). Residents of
12 California are regularly exposed to lead and lead compounds from drink dispensers
13 manufactured, distributed or marketed by Defendants and are so exposed without a clear and
14 reasonable Proposition 65 warning.

15 6. Defendants are persons doing business within the meaning of Health & Safety
16 Code Section 25249.11. Defendants are businesses that distribute, and/or market drink dispensers
17 in California, including the City and County of San Francisco. Distribution and/or marketing of
18 these products in the City and County of San Francisco and/or to people who live in San
19 Francisco, causes people to be exposed to lead and lead compounds while they are physically
20 present in the City and County of San Francisco.

21 7. Plaintiff brings this enforcement action against Defendants pursuant to Health &
22 Safety Code Section 25249.7(d). Attached hereto and incorporated by reference are a copies of
23 the Notices of Violation dated, March 13, 2010, March 24, 2011 and April 7, 2011 which Mateel
24 sent to California's Attorney General. A substantively identical letter was sent to every District
25 Attorney in the state, and to the City Attorneys of every California city with a population greater
26 than 750,000, and to each defendant. Attached to the Notice of Violation sent to each defendant
27 was a summary of Proposition 65 that was prepared by California's Office of Environmental
28 Health Hazard Assessment. In addition, each Notice of Violation plaintiff sent was accompanied

1 by a Certificate of Service attesting to the service of the Notice of Violation on each entity which
2 received it. Pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7(d), a Certificate of
3 Merit attesting to the reasonable and meritorious basis for the action was also sent with each
4 Notice of Violation. Factual information sufficient to establish the basis of the Certificates of
5 Merit was enclosed with each Notice of Violation letter Mateel sent to the Attorney General.

6 8. Each defendant employs more than ten people.

7 JURISDICTION

8 9. The Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to California Health & Safety
9 Code Section 25249.7. California Constitution Article VI, Section 10 grants the Superior Court
10 "original jurisdiction in all causes except those given by statute to other trial courts." Chapter 6.6
11 of the Health & Safety Code, which contains the statutes under which this action is brought, does
12 not grant jurisdiction to any other trial court.

13 10. This Court also has jurisdiction over Defendants because they are businesses that
14 have sufficient minimum contacts in California and within the City and County of San Francisco.
15 Defendants intentionally availed themselves of the California and San Francisco County markets
16 for drink dispensers. It is thus consistent with traditional notions of fair play and substantial
17 justice for the San Francisco Superior Court to exercise jurisdiction over Defendants.

18 11. Venue is proper in this Court because Defendants market their drink dispensers
19 around San Francisco and thus cause people to be exposed to lead and lead compounds while
20 those people are physically present in San Francisco. Liability for Plaintiff's causes of action, or
21 some parts thereof, has accordingly arisen in San Francisco during the times relevant to this
22 Complaint and Plaintiff seeks civil penalties imposed by statute.

23 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION
24 (Claim for Injunctive Relief)

25 12. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference into this First Cause of Action, as
26 if specifically set forth herein, paragraphs 1 through 11, inclusive.

27 13. The People of the State of California have declared by referendum under
28 Proposition 65 (California Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq.) their right "[t]o be informed

1 about exposures to chemicals that cause cancer, birth defects, and reproductive harm."

2 14. To effectuate this goal, Section 25249.6 of the Health and Safety Code mandates
3 that businesses that knowingly and intentionally expose any individual to a chemical known to
4 the State of California to cause cancer or birth defects must first provide a clear and reasonable
5 warning to such individual prior to the exposure.

6 15. Since at least three years prior to the Notice of Violation Letters, Defendants have
7 engaged in conduct that violates Health and Safety Code Section 25249.6 et seq. This conduct
8 includes knowingly and intentionally exposing to lead, those California residents who handle,
9 use or drink beverages stored in or served from drink dispensers. The normally intended use of
10 drink dispensers causes exposure to lead and lead compounds, which are chemicals known to the
11 State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm. Defendants have
12 not provided clear and reasonable warnings, within the meaning of Health & Safety Code
13 Sections 25249.6 and 25249.11.

14 16. At all times relevant to this action, Defendants knew that the drink dispensers they
15 distributed or marketed were causing exposures to lead and lead compounds. Defendants
16 intended that residents of California handle, use and drink beverages stored in, contained in or
17 served from drink dispensers in such ways as would lead to significant exposures to these
18 chemicals.

19 17. By the above described acts, Defendants have violated Cal. Health & Safety Code
20 § 25249.6 and are therefore subject to an injunction ordering them to stop violating Proposition
21 65, to provide warnings to all present and future customers and to provide warnings to their past
22 customers who purchased Defendants' products without receiving a clear and reasonable
23 warning.

24 SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION
25 (Claim for Civil Penalties)

26 18. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference into this Second Cause of Action,
27 as if specifically set forth herein, paragraphs 1 through 17, inclusive.

28 19. By the above described acts, Defendants are liable and should be liable pursuant

1 to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b), for a civil penalty of \$2,500.00 per day for each
2 individual exposed without proper warning to lead and lead compounds from the handling, use
3 of, or the drinking of beverages stored in, contained in or served from Defendants' drink
4 dispensers.

5 PRAYER FOR RELIEF

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

7 1. Pursuant to the First Cause of Action, that Defendants be enjoined, restrained,
8 and ordered to comply with the provisions of Section 25249.6 of the California Health & Safety
9 Code;

10 2. Pursuant to the Second Cause of Action, that Defendants be assessed a civil
11 penalty in an amount equal to \$2,500.00 per day per individual exposed, in violation of Section
12 25249.6 of the California Health & Safety Code, to lead and lead compounds as the result of
13 Defendants' distributing or marketing of drink dispensers;

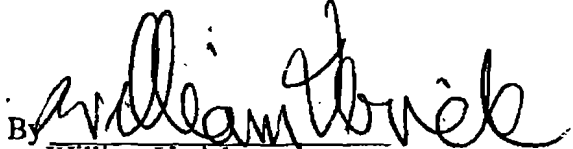
14 3. That Defendants be ordered to identify and locate each individual who purchased
15 drink dispensers and provide a warning to each such person that the drink dispensers the person
16 purchased will expose that person to chemicals known to cause birth defects.

17 4. That, pursuant to Civil Procedure Code § 1021.5, Defendants be ordered to pay to
18 Plaintiff the attorneys fees and costs it incurred in bringing this enforcement action.

19 5. For such other relief as this court deems just and proper.

20 Dated: June 23, 2011

KLAMATH ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER

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23 By 
24 William Verick
25 Attorney for Plaintiff
26 Mateel Environmental Justice Foundation
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ENVIRONMENTAL
LAW CENTER

March 13, 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 Godinger Silver Art LTD (hereinafter "Godinger") has been, is, will be and threatens 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 at both Mateel and this office. The above referenced violations occur when California residents come into contact with the brass valves, taps, faucets and stopcocks (hereinafter collectively "brass valves") that are made in whole or in part of brass or other metal alloys containing lead, on beverage dispensers such as coffee urns, and beverage servers, (hereinafter "beverage dispensers"), and when they drink beverages that have flowed through the lead bearing brass valves that your company markets. A specific example of the product to which this notice pertains is: SILVER PLATED 25 CUPS COFFEE URN STYLE #5090. These products also utilize leaded solder to fasten parts of these products together. This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of drink dispensers with leaded valves. The brass valves on these beverage dispensers are made from brass or other metal alloys containing lead and lead compounds ("lead"), which are chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm. California residents are exposed to lead whenever they handle the brass valves, such as when serving beverages from these products, when washing them, or when drinking beverages that have flowed through them. Lead is transferred from the brass valves to peoples' hands and to other parts of their skin. This lead is then absorbed through the skin, taken into cuts and abrasions, absorbed through mucous membranes, and transferred from the skin to the mouth via oral contact either directly with the lead-contaminated skin, and when lead is transferred from contaminated skin to cigarettes and food and the contaminated cigarettes and food are smoked and/or eaten. Lead also leaches from the brass valves into the beverages that flow through them and is then drunk. Lead also leaches from the solder, which is exposed where there are plating defects. This lead thus leaches into the food and beverages that are stored in or served from these products. These lead exposures thus occur via the dermal absorption, subcutaneous, mucous membrane, ingestion and inhalation routes. Godinger did not and does not provide people with clear and reasonable warnings before it expose them to lead. These violations have occurred every day since at least May 13, 2007, and will continue every day until the lead is removed from the brass valves or until clear and reasonable warnings are given. The above-referenced 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 brass valved beverage dispenser made outside of California, except as to workplaces Godinger itself maintains in California. Exposures constituting Proposition 65 environmental exposure violations occur both on and off Godinger's private business properties and in each of California's 58 counties.

Cordially,

William Verick

SERVICE LIST

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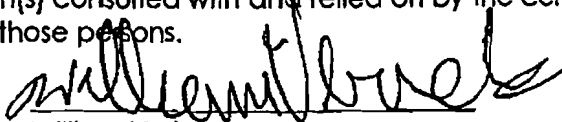
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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

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 facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: May 13, 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 May 13, 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 May 13, 2010, at Eureka, California.


Nicole Frank



March 24, 2011 .

PROPOSITION 65 ENFORCEMENT REPORTING
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1515 CLAY STREET, SUITE 2000
P.O. BOX 70550
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Greetings,

This office and the Mateel Environmental Justice Foundation ("Mateel") give you notice that Danby Products, Inc. and Danby Products Limited (hereinafter "Danby") has been, is, will be and threatens 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 at both Mateel and this office. The above referenced violations occur when California residents come into contact with the brass valves, stopcocks or beer taps ("taps") on beverage dispensers (hereinafter "brass valved beverage dispensers"), and when they drink beverages that have flowed through the leaded brass valves, stopcocks or taps that Danby markets. Specific examples of the products to which this notice pertains are: DANBY CHILL 'N TAP KEGERATOR DKC146SLDB SERIAL# 0210100100627UPC CODE: 067638 902038; DKC445 FAUCET ONLY DTF500; DKC COUPLER DKC645BLS DTC300 Though a specific model or UPC number may be given as an example, this notice pertains to all similar types of brass valved beverage dispenser products. The valves, stopcocks or taps on these brass valved beverage dispensers are made from leaded brass, which contains lead and lead compounds ("lead"), which are chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm. California residents are exposed to lead whenever they handle the brass valves, stopcocks or taps, such as when serving beverages from these products, when washing them, or when drinking beverages that have flowed through the brass valves, stopcocks, or taps. Lead is transferred from the brass to peoples' hands and to other parts of their skin. This lead is then absorbed through the skin, taken into cuts and abrasions, absorbed through mucous membranes, and transferred from the skin to the mouth via oral contact either directly with the lead-contaminated skin, and when lead is transferred from contaminated skin to cigarettes and food and the contaminated cigarettes and food are smoked and/or eaten. Lead also leaches from the brass into the beverages that flow through the brass valves, stopcocks or taps and is then drunk. These lead exposures thus occur via the dermal absorption, subcutaneous, mucous membrane, ingestion and inhalation routes. Danby did not and does not provide people with clear and reasonable warnings before it exposes them to lead. These violations have occurred every day since at least March 24, 2008, and will continue every day until the lead is removed from the brass valves, stopcocks or taps, or until clear and reasonable warnings are given. The above-referenced 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 brass valved beverage dispenser made outside of California, except as to workplaces Danby itself maintains in California. This notice does not allege any environmental exposure violations.

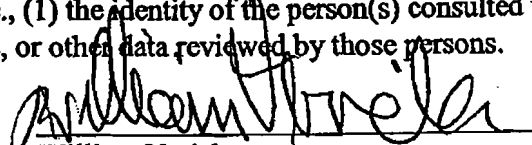
Cordially

William Verick

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

I, William Verick, hereby declare: This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached notice(s) of violation 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 facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: March 24, 2011

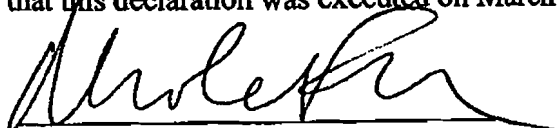

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This notice alleges the violation of Proposition 65 with respect to occupational exposures governed by the California State Plan for Occupational Safety and Health. The State Plan incorporates the provisions of Proposition 65, as approved by Federal 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 24, 2011, I caused the attached NOTICE OF VIOLATION 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 NOTICE OF VIOLATION 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 24, 2011, at Eureka, California.


Nicole Frank

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April 7, 2011

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Greetings:

This office and the Mateel Environmental Justice Foundation ("Mateel") give you notice that the companies on the attached service list have been, are 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 at both Mateel and this office. The above referenced violations occur when California residents use or come into contact with the brass valves, taps, faucets and stopcocks (hereinafter collectively "brass valves") that are made in whole or in part of brass or other metal alloys containing lead, which these companies market. These brass valves are used on beverage servers and dispensers such as coffee urns, beer kegs and iced tea and lemonade jars (hereinafter "beverage dispensers"). Specific examples of the products to which this notice pertains are listed on the attached Product List. While a specific product description or UPC code may be given, this notice pertains not only to the specific models of the products listed, but also for all units of all models of drink dispensers with leaded valves. The brass valves on these beverage dispensers are made from brass or other leaded copper alloys containing lead, which contain lead and lead compounds ("lead"). Lead and lead compounds are chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm. California residents are exposed to lead whenever they handle the brass valves, such as when serving beverages from these products, when washing them, or when drinking beverages that have flowed through them. Lead is transferred from the brass valves to peoples' hands and to other parts of their skin. This lead is then absorbed through the skin, taken into cuts and abrasions, absorbed through mucous membranes, and transferred from the skin to the mouth via oral contact either directly with the lead-contaminated skin, and when lead is transferred from contaminated skin to cigarettes and food and the contaminated cigarettes and food are smoked and/or eaten. Lead also leaches from the brass valves into the beverages and/or food that are stored in or served from these beverage servers and dispensers. People then drink this lead-contaminated food and/or beverages, causing oral exposure to lead. These lead exposures thus occur via the dermal absorption, subcutaneous, mucous membrane, ingestion and inhalation routes. The listed companies did not and do not provide people with clear and reasonable warnings before they expose California residents to lead. These violations have occurred every day since at least April 7, 2008, and will continue every day until the lead is removed from the brass beverage dispensers or until clear and reasonable warnings are given. These violations are alleged for occupational and consumer product exposures. We do not allege occupational exposure violations as to any brass beverage dispensers made outside of California, except as to workplaces these companies themselves maintain in California. This notice does not allege any environmental exposure violations.

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THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

BLOOMFIELD SPIGOT S/S SHANK BLM8800-6; BLOOMFIELD 5 GALLON TEA DISPENSER W/SIGHT GLASS UPC CODE: 6631 18 690343; These product descriptions pertain not only to the specific models of the products listed, but also for all units of all models of drink dispensers with leaded valves.

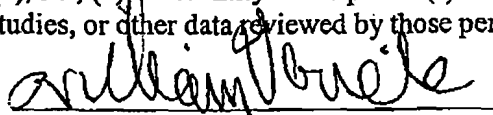
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BLOOMFIELD SPIGOT S/S SHANK BLM8800-6; BLOOMFIELD 5 GALLON TEA DISPENSER W/SIGHT GLASS UPC CODE: 6631 18 690343; LELAND CO2 PICNIC TAP UPC CODE: 023965 505007 These product descriptions pertain not only to the specific models of the products listed, but also for all units of all models of drink dispensers with leaded valves.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

I, William Verick, hereby declare: This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached notice(s) of violation 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 facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: April 7, 2011



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 April 7, 2011, I caused the attached NOTICE OF VIOLATION 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 NOTICE OF VIOLATION 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 April 7, 2011, at Eureka, California.



Nicole Frank



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ENVIRONMENTAL
LAW CENTER

February 10, 2011

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 Wilbur Curtis Co., Inc. has been, is, will be and threatens 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 at both Mateel and this office. The above referenced violations occur when California residents use or come into contact with the brass valves, taps, faucets and stopcocks (hereinafter collectively "brass valves") that are made in whole or in part of brass or other metal alloys containing lead, which Wilbur Curtis Co., Inc. markets. These brass valves are used on beverage servers and dispensers such as coffee urns, and iced tea and lemonade jars (hereinafter "beverage dispensers"). Specific examples of the products to which this notice pertains are: CURTIS GEMINI SATELLITE SERVER SERIAL# 12206162; STAINLESS STEEL 3 GALLON TEA DISPENSER TC-3H SERIAL #12191540 UPC CODE: 032405 350015. These product descriptions pertain not only to the specific models of the products listed, but also for all units of all models of drink dispensers with leaded valves. The brass valves on these beverage dispensers are made from brass or other leaded copper alloys containing lead, which contain lead and lead compounds ("lead"). Lead and lead compounds are chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects and other reproductive harm. California residents are exposed to lead whenever they handle the brass valves, such as when serving beverages from these products, when washing them, or when drinking beverages that have flowed through them. Lead is transferred from the brass valves to peoples' hands and to other parts of their skin. This lead is then absorbed through the skin, taken into cuts and abrasions, absorbed through mucous membranes, and transferred from the skin to the mouth via oral contact either directly with the lead-contaminated skin, and when lead is transferred from contaminated skin to cigarettes and food and the contaminated cigarettes and food are smoked and/or eaten. Lead also leaches from the brass valves into the beverages and/or food that are stored in or served from these beverage servers and dispensers. People then drink this lead-contaminated food and/or beverages, causing oral exposure to lead. These lead exposures thus occur via the dermal absorption, subcutaneous, mucous membrane, ingestion and inhalation routes. Wilbur Curtis Co., Inc. did not and does not provide people with clear and reasonable warnings before it exposes them to lead. These violations have occurred every day since at least February 10, 2008, and will continue every day until the lead is removed from the brass valves or until clear and reasonable warnings are given.

Cordially,



William Verick

424 First Street, Eureka, CA 95501 • 707.268.8900 (phone) 707.268.8901 (fax)

SERVICE LIST

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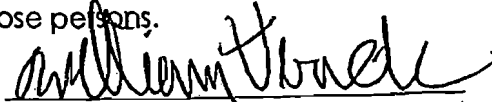
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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

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 facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: February 10, 2011



William Verick

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Nicole Frank, declare:

If called, I could and would testify as follows: I am over eighteen. My business address is 42- First Street, Eureka, California, 95501. On February 10, 2011, 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 NOTICE OF VIOLATION 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 February 10, 2011, at Eureka, California.



Nicole Frank