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10 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
11 COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

13 MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
14 FOUNDATION,

15 Plaintiff,

16 v.

17 BRADSHAW INTERNATIONAL, INC.; LOVE-
18 LESS ASH COMPANY; KORG USA; NOBLE
19 WIRE AND TERMINAL CORP.; QUINCY
20 COMPRESSOR, INC.; SCHECTER GUITAR
RESEARCH, INC.; ST. LOUIS MUSIC; AND
DOES1 through 100, inclusive,

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~~PROPOSED~~ CONSENT JUDGMENT
AS TO ST LOUIS MUSIC

1. **INTRODUCTION**

2 1.1 On or about June 29, 2006, the Mateel Environmental Justice Foundation (“MEJF”)
3 and its attorneys, Klamath Environmental Law Center (“KELC”), sent 60 Day Notice Letters to the
4 Office of the California Attorney General of the State of California (“California Attorney General”),
5 all California counties’ District Attorneys and all City Attorneys of California cities with populations
6 exceeding 750,000, (collectively, “Public Enforcers”), charging certain businesses with violating the
7 Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, California Health and Safety Code
8 Section 25249.5 et seq. (“Proposition 65”), in their manufacture, distribution and/or sale of wires and
9 cables coated with polyvinyl chloride (“PVC”). Specifically, MEJF charged that persons handling
10 the PVC-coated wires and cables (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the “Cords”) were exposed to
11 certain chemicals, listed under Proposition 65, including, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, vinyl
12 chloride, lead and lead compounds, lead acetate, lead phosphate, lead subacetate and di(2ethylhexyl)
13 phthalate.

14 1.2 On or about October 6, 2006, MEJF (“Plaintiff”), acting on behalf of itself, the public
15 interest, and the general public for the matters described in the Notice Letter, filed a Complaint for
16 civil penalties and injunctive relief (“Complaint”) in the San Francisco Superior Court, fashioned,
17 *MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION v. BRADHSAW INTERNATIONAL, INC.,*
18 *et al.* Case No. 456752 based on the Notice Letter. The Complaint alleged, among other things, that
19 St. Louis Music, (hereinafter “St. Louis” or “Settling Defendant”) violated Proposition 65 by
20 manufacturing, marketing and/or distributing to California residents products that are themselves or
21 which incorporate wires and cables that are PVC-coated and failing to provide clear and reasonable
22 warnings to California residents who handle and use such products that the handling and use of those
23 products in their normally intended manner will cause those persons to be exposed to Proposition 65
24 Chemicals.

25 1.3 Plaintiff and Settling Defendant are, for purposes of this Consent Judgment,
26 collectively referred to as the “Parties,” with each of them a “Party”.

27 1.4 For purposes of this Consent Judgment, the term “Covered Products” means products
28 that are themselves, or that incorporate, utilize, or have appended to them, Cords, and that are

manufactured, distributed, marketed or sold by the Settling Defendant. The term Covered Products includes both such products that are subject to the Warning Requirements of Section 7, and those that are not, including those products that are exempted from the warning requirements of this Consent Judgment pursuant to Sections 7.1 or 7.3. The term "Covered Products" also includes products which are manufactured, distributed, marketed and/or sold by the Settling Defendant either under its own name or brand or under the name or brand of another (e.g., privately labeled products).

1.5 For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Settling Defendant admits that: (a) it is a business that employs more than ten persons and manufactures, distributes and/or sells Covered Products into the State of California; (b) the Covered Products contain one or more Proposition 65 Chemicals; and (c) Proposition 65 Chemicals are chemicals listed under Proposition 65 as being known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or reproductive toxicity.

1.6 For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over the allegations of violations contained in the Complaints and personal jurisdiction over the Settling Defendant as to the acts alleged in the Complaints, that venue is proper in the County of San Francisco and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment as a full settlement and resolution of the allegations contained in the Complaints and Notice Letters and of all claims which were or could have been raised by any person or entity based in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, on the facts alleged therein, arising therefrom or related thereto.

1.7 The Parties enter into this Consent Judgment pursuant to a full and final settlement of any and all claims between the Parties for the purpose of avoiding prolonged litigation. This Consent Judgment shall not constitute an admission with respect to any material allegation of the Complaints, each and every allegation of which the Settling Defendant denies; nor may this Consent Judgment or compliance with it be used as evidence of any wrongdoing, misconduct, culpability or liability on the part of any Settling Defendant. The Settling Defendant maintains that its Covered Products have at all times complied with all applicable laws, including Proposition 65.

2. SETTLEMENT PAYMENT

2.1 In settlement of all of the claims referred to in this Consent Judgment against the Settling Defendant:

2 (a) By June 4th, 2007, Settling Defendant shall pay Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to
3 the Klamath Environmental Law Center ("KELC" for attorneys fees and costs incurred by KELC on
4 behalf of Plaintiff in investigating this matter and negotiating this Consent Judgment on behalf of
5 itself and the general public,

6 (b) By September 4th, 2007 Settling Defendant shall forward to KELC a check or other
7 immediately negotiable instrument in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to the
8 following non-profit organization as follows:

9 Environmental Protection Information Center
10 P.O. Box 397
11 Garberville, CA 95542

12 (c) The above described payments shall be made in immediately negotiable funds and sent to
13 KELC, 424 First Street, Eureka, CA 95501. If, within 90 days of the execution of this agreement by
14 Settling Defendant, the Consent Judgment has not be entered by the Court, KELC shall return the
15 above payments to the Settling Defendant.

16 2.2 MEJF and KELC represent and warrant that each of the organizations identified in
17 Paragraph 2.1(b) above is a tax exempt, section 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and that funds
18 distributed to these organizations pursuant to this Consent Judgment may only be spent to reduce
19 harm from toxic chemicals, or to increase consumer, worker and community awareness of health
20 hazards posed by lead and other toxic chemicals.

21 2.3 Except as specifically provided in this Consent Judgment, each side shall bear its own
22 costs and attorney's fees.

23 3. **ENTRY OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

24 The Parties request that the Court promptly enter this Consent Judgment and waive their
25 respective rights to a hearing or trial on the allegations of the Complaint.

26 4. **MATTERS COVERED BY THIS CONSENT JUDGMENT**

27 4.1 For purposes of Section 4 of this Consent Judgment, the term Settling Defendant shall
28 include the Settling Defendant, as defined above, and its past, present and future parents, divisions,
subdivisions, brands, subsidiaries and affiliates and the predecessors, successors and assigns of any of

2 them as well as their past, present and future officers, directors, employees, agents, attorneys,
3 representatives, shareholders and assigns. For purposes of Section 4, the term Settling Defendant
4 shall also be deemed to include the Settling Defendant's supplier of Covered Products, but only with
5 respect to those Covered Products that such supplier manufactures for the Settling Defendant. The
6 preceding sentence shall not apply with respect to a supplier who ships Covered Products directly to a
7 consumer at the request of the Settling Defendant, where a warning is provided to address the
8 obligations of this Consent Judgment solely pursuant to Section 7.5(e) below. A list delineating
9 some, but not necessarily all, of the names of the various business entities and brands or product
10 types referred to in this Paragraph and in existence on or before the date of this Consent Judgment is
11 attached hereto as Exhibit C.

11 4.2 As to Covered Products, this Consent Judgment is a final and binding resolution
12 between Plaintiff acting on behalf of itself and, (as to those matters referenced in the Notice Letters)
13 in the public interest pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d) and the general public
14 pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 17204 and the Settling Defendant of: (a) any
15 violation of Proposition 65; or, (b) with respect to exposures to the Proposition 65 Chemicals
16 associated with the use of Covered Products; or (c) with respect to exposures to the Proposition 65
17 Chemicals associated with the use of Covered Products, any other statutory or common law claim, to
18 the fullest extent that any such claims were or could have been asserted by any person or entity
19 against the Settling Defendant based on its or their exposure of persons to chemicals contained in or
20 otherwise associated with the use of Covered Products manufactured, sold or distributed by, for or on
21 behalf of the Settling Defendant and/or their alleged failure to provide a clear and reasonable
22 warning of such exposure to such individuals; or (d) as to exposures to chemicals contained in or
23 otherwise associated with the use of Covered Products, any other claim based in whole or part on the
24 facts alleged in the Complaints or Notice Letters, whether based on actions or omissions committed
25 by the Settling Defendant or any other entity within the Settling Defendant's chain of distribution,
26 including, but not limited to, customers, wholesale or retail sellers or distributors and any other
27 person in the course of doing business ("Downstream Entity").
28

4.3 As to any claims, violations (except violations of this Consent Judgment), actions, damages, costs, penalties, or causes of action which may arise or have arisen after the original date of entry of this Consent Judgment, compliance by the Settling Defendant with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall be deemed to constitute its full and complete compliance with Proposition 65 with respect to the provision of warnings for chemicals contained in or otherwise associated with the use of Covered Products, provided that the concentrations of those chemicals other than lead are materially similar to that associated with the Covered Products with respect to Proposition 65 at the time this Consent Judgment is entered.

4.4 Notwithstanding Sections 4.2 or 4.3 above, as to all customers, distributors, wholesalers, retailers or any other Downstream Entity, except as otherwise indicated in Sections 4.5 and 4.6 below, which may in the course of doing business use, maintain, distribute, or sell Covered Products which are manufactured, distributed or sold by the Settling Defendant (including Covered Products which are privately labeled by the Settling Defendant for a Downstream Entity), Plaintiff (acting on behalf of itself and, as to those matters raised in the Notice Letters, on behalf of the general public) waives all rights to institute any form of legal action whether under Proposition 65 or otherwise, arising out of or resulting from or related directly or indirectly to, in whole or in part, exposure to, or otherwise associated with the use of and alleged failure to warn with respect to Proposition 65 Chemicals contained in Covered Products.

4.5 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be deemed to release, from past liability under Proposition 65 or any other statute or regulation (except from liability for occupational exposures under the circumstances set forth in Sections 4.6, 7.5 and 7.6 of this Consent Judgment), any entity which incorporates Cords obtained from the Settling Defendant into a Covered Product the entity manufactures or distributes for sale to retail consumers, unless such entity is itself a Settling Defendant; nor shall any such entity which is not itself a Settling Defendant be entitled to utilize or otherwise rely on the provisions of this Consent Judgment. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, however, compliance with the terms of Section 7 of this Consent Judgment by an entity that incorporates Cords obtained from the Settling Defendant into a Covered Product it manufactures or

1 distributes for sale to retail consumers, shall be deemed to constitute compliance with Proposition 65
2 with respect to Covered Products it sells in the future.

3 4.6 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be deemed to require an out of state
4 manufacturer of Covered Products to provide a Proposition 65 warning for occupational exposures
5 occurring within the State of California. Nothing in this Consent Judgment will be deemed to release
6 a California employer from liability for failure to comply with its obligations, if any, to provide
7 warnings under Proposition 65 for the exposures of its employees to chemicals contained in or
8 otherwise associated with Non-Retail Covered Products (as defined in Section 7.6 below) unless such
9 employer makes Proposition 65 warning information available to its employees in the manner
10 specified in Section 7.6 below or as otherwise permitted by 8 Cal. Code Regs. § 5194.

11 4.7 In furtherance of the foregoing, Plaintiff hereby waives any and all rights and
12 benefits which it now has, or in the future may have, conferred upon it by virtue of the provisions of
13 Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which provides as follows:

14 **A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS
15 WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO
16 EXIST IN HIS FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE
17 RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM MUST HAVE
18 MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS SETTLEMENT WITH THE
19 DEBTOR.**

1 Plaintiff understands and acknowledges that the significance and consequence of its waiver of
2 California Civil Code Section 1542 is that even if Plaintiff and/or, with respect to the matters raised
3 in the Notice Letters, any person or entity on whose behalf they purport to act or could act, suffers
4 future damages or harm arising out of, resulting from, or related directly or indirectly to, in whole or
5 in part, the matters covered in Sections 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 above (“Damages”), Plaintiff and any person
6 or entity on whose behalf they purport to act or could act, will not be able to make any claim for such
7 Damages against the Settling Defendant or any of its customers, distributors, wholesalers, retailers, or
8 any other person in the course of doing business who may use, maintain, distribute or sell the
9 Covered Products. Furthermore, Plaintiff acknowledges that it intends these consequences for any
10 such Damages which may exist as of the date of this release but which Plaintiff does not know exist,
11 and which, if known, would materially affect its decision to enter into this Consent Judgment,
12 regardless of whether its lack of knowledge is the result of ignorance, oversight, error, negligence, or
13 any other cause, no matter how justifiable such cause may be.

14 4.8 The Settling Defendant waives all rights to institute any form of legal action against
15 Plaintiff, its officers, directors, attorneys, consultants and representatives for all legal actions
16 undertaken or statements made in the course of such legal actions to seek enforcement of this action
17 and judgment.

18 **5. ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENT**

19 5.1 If the Plaintiff identifies Covered Products sold in California for which warnings are
20 required under Section 7 and such warnings are not actually being given (“Default”), prior to taking
21 any other enforcement action based on the Default, Plaintiff, within thirty (30) days of having
22 knowledge of the Default, shall notify the responsible Settling Defendant in writing with confirmable
23 delivery (“Notice of Default”). The Notice of Default shall identify the Covered Product by product
24 name, description and, if available, identification code(s) as well as the dates on and locations at
25 which all Defaults were observed. In the event that the Settling Defendant notifies Plaintiff within
26 thirty (30) days of receiving the Notice of Default that it will implement, within forty (40) days
27 thereafter, such measures as are necessary to correct the Defaults (“Notice of Cure”), and includes
28 with the Notice of Cure a payment of five thousand dollars (\$5,000), of which three thousand dollars

1 (\$3,000) shall be paid to MEJF as attorney's fees and investigative costs and two thousand dollars
2 (\$2,000) shall be paid to MEJF as a civil penalty to be divided as required by statute, plaintiff will
3 take no further action based on the Default. No Notice of Default shall be required of any subsequent
4 violations of the Consent Judgment by that Settling Defendant and plaintiff shall be free to pursue
5 any available enforcement action or remedy without prior notice

6 5.2 Provided that the Settling Defendant notifies Plaintiff within thirty (30) days of
7 receiving a Notice of Default, none of the following circumstances shall be considered a Default as
8 defined in section 5.1 above:

9 (a) The Settling Defendant demonstrates that it provided the seller of a Covered
10 Product with "stick on" warnings as required by sections 7.11 below;

11 (b) The Settling Defendant demonstrates that the sale of a Covered Product that
12 required an interim warning pursuant to Section 7.11 was by or through a third-party that did not
13 purchase the Covered Product from the Settling Defendant; and

14 (c) For internet sales to California residents, the Settling Defendant provided the seller
15 of a Covered Product with notice and appropriate warning language for use in connection with such
16 sales as generally provided in section 7.5 below.

17 6. **MODIFICATION OF JUDGMENT**

18 6.1 This Consent Judgment may be modified only upon written agreement of the Parties
19 and upon entry of a modified amended Consent Judgment by the Court, or upon motion of any Party
20 as provided by law and upon entry of a modified amended Consent Judgment by the Court.

21 Notwithstanding the immediately preceding sentence or any other term or provision of this Consent
22 Judgment, if Plaintiff or any affiliated entity, or the California Attorney General, enters into, or
23 agrees to in writing, or is otherwise bound by injunctive relief terms or provisions relating to the
24 provision of Proposition 65 warnings for Covered Products, with regard to their Cords, which, taken
25 together, are more favorable to the defendant(s) than the terms or provisions that this Consent
26 Judgment provide for a Covered Product of like kind and characteristics with respect to its
27 thermoset/thermoplastic-coated electrical cord and use, the terms of injunctive relief provided for in
28 Section 7 of this Consent Judgment shall automatically be deemed to have been modified to add such

1 more favorable terms or provisions as an option which the Settling Defendant may elect for
2 compliance with this Consent Judgment.

3 **7. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF**

4 7.1 Covered Products shall be deemed to comply with Proposition 65 and be exempt
5 from any Proposition 65 warning requirements if the Cords that are sold as a part of or in association
6 with those Covered Products meet the following criteria: (a) the surface contact layer of the Cords
7 shall have no lead as an intentionally added constituent; and (b) the surface contact layer of the Cords
8 shall have lead content by weight of no more than 0.03% (300 parts per million, or "300 ppm"). The
9 Settling Defendant may comply with the above requirements by relying on information obtained from
10 its suppliers regarding the content of the surface contact layer of the Cords, provided such reliance is
11 in good faith. Obtaining test results showing that the lead content is no more than 0.03%, using a
12 method of sufficient sensitivity to establish a limit of quantification (as distinguished from detection)
13 of less than 300 ppm shall be deemed to establish good faith reliance. Provided that the level of
14 quantification requirement set forth in the preceding sentence is met, the test protocol and methods
15 described on Exhibit D hereto may be relied on. Nothing in the preceding two sentences shall
16 preclude a Settling Defendant from establishing good faith reliance by an alternative means.

17 7.2 Covered Products manufactured and shipped for distribution to or sale in California
18 on or after the Effective Date that do not meet the warning exemption standard set forth in Section
19 7.1 of this Consent Judgment and are not exempt pursuant to Section 7.3 shall be accompanied by a
20 warning as described in Section 7.4 below. For purposes of this Section, 90 days after the entry of
21 this Consent Judgment shall be considered the "Effective Date."

22 7.3 The following Covered Products are deemed to be exempt from any Proposition 65
23 warning requirements with respect to Cords: (a) Covered Products which because of their size,
24 weight or function have Cords that are handled only infrequently (such as upon their installation in a
25 setting where they are not typically plugged and unplugged) ("Infrequently Handled Products");
26 (b) those Covered Products that: (i) are sold at retail before the Effective Date; or (ii) are distributed
27 or shipped for sale outside the State of California; (c) Covered Products that use Cords only as
28 internal components not normally accessible to the consumer during ordinary use; and/or (d) Covered

1 Products which contain the Proposition 65 Chemical only as part of the inner conductor or other
2 component not normally accessible to the consumer during ordinary use. Exhibit E contains a list of
3 Covered Products/Product types that are deemed to meet the criteria for Infrequently Handled
4 Products set forth in this Section 7.3 and are therefore exempt. Plaintiffs have previously provided
5 the California Attorney General's Office and the Settling Defendant with a list of Covered
6 Products/Product types that are deemed not to meet the criteria for Infrequently Handled Products set
7 forth in this Section 7.3 and therefore are not exempt ("Non-Exempt Products List"). Exhibit E and
8 the Non-Exempt Products List may be used as guidance in determining whether other Covered
9 Products meet these criteria; Exhibit E and the Non-Exempt Products List may also be used by the
10 Parties in the course of dispute resolution pursuant to Section 9. The Parties acknowledge that
11 common usage of the terms "portable" and "non-portable" do not affect the classification of any
12 Covered Products under this Consent Judgment. Covered Products may be considered Infrequently
13 Handled Products regardless of their weight or the likelihood that they may be used while moving,
14 whether that be on a person, in a car, on an airplane or otherwise.

15 7.4 Should the Settling Defendant's Covered Products require Proposition 65 warnings
16 under Section 7.2, the Settling Defendant shall, except as otherwise provided in Section 7.5 below,
17 either provide one of the warnings described below or any other Proposition 65 warning that has been
18 reviewed and approved in writing by the California Attorney General for use with Covered Products
19 regarding their thermoset/thermoplastic-coated wires and/or cables:

20 "WARNING: This product contains chemicals, including lead, known to the State of
21 California to cause [cancer, and] birth defects or other reproductive harm. *Wash*
22 *hands after handling.*"

23 or

24 "WARNING: Handling the cord on this product will expose you to lead, a chemical
25 known to the State of California to cause [cancer, and] birth defects or other
26 reproductive harm. *Wash hands after handling.*"

27 or

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1 **“WARNING: The power cord on this product contains lead, a chemical known to the**
2 **State of California to cause [cancer, and] birth defects or other reproductive harm.**
3 ***Wash hands after handling.*”**
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5 The word “WARNING” shall be in all capital letters and in bold typeface. The hand-washing
6 admonition shall be in bold typeface and italicized. Inclusion of the bracketed words “cancer, and” in
7 the above warning shall be at the Settling Defendant’s option.

8 7.5 Unless otherwise indicated herein, the warning required or authorized in Sections 7.4
9 shall be given by having it: (a) affixed to the Covered Product itself or to the unit package of such
10 Covered Product; (b) printed on the Covered Product itself or on the unit package of such Covered
11 Product; (c) displayed on an internet site for those units of Covered Products sold on the internet;
12 (d) included in the owner’s manual if the conditions set forth in Section 7.9 below are satisfied
13 (“Owner’s Manual Warning”); or, (e) printed on the invoice issued directly to the consumer by the
14 Settling Defendant to confirm the sale, where the Settling Defendant sells Covered Products directly
15 to consumers by telephone, mail order, or internet sale, but never has physical possession of the
16 Covered Product or its packaging.

17 7.6 If the warning is printed on the product, package label, or invoice, then the warning
18 shall be contained in the same section of the label that contains other safety warnings, if any,
19 concerning the use of the Covered Product or near its displayed price and/or UPC code. Such
20 warning shall be prominently affixed to or printed on each such Covered Product, its label or package
21 or invoice, and displayed with such conspicuousness, as compared with other words, statements,
22 designs, or devices on such Covered Product, its label, package or display or invoice as to render it
23 likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase or
24 use. With respect to the preceding sentence, the type size of any warning required by paragraph 7.4
25 must be legible, but otherwise need not be larger than any other warning language used in
26 conjunction with the Covered Product in question and its relative size may take into account the
27 nature, immediacy, and acuteness of the risks for which other warnings are given. If the size of a
28 Covered Product and its packaging is such that a warning required by this Consent Judgment cannot

1 physically be printed on its non-transparent portion in a legible size, the warning may be printed on a
2 separate piece of paper or cardstock and inserted into the Covered Product's packaging, provided that
3 i) the cardstock or paper containing the warning is not white or uncolored and contains only the
4 warning language, and ii) a substantial portion of the exterior of the packaging material is
5 transparent.

6 **7.7** If a warning is provided on the internet pursuant to (c) above, the warning message
7 shall be displayed (or, upon the internet site user's identification as a California resident, such as
8 when the user types in a zip code, automatically appear) either: (a) on the same page on which the
9 Covered Product is displayed, (b) on the same page as the order form for the Covered Product, or (c)
10 on the same page as the price for the Covered Product.

11 **7.8** If the warning is given in the owners manual pursuant to Section 7.9 below, it shall be
12 located in one of the following places in the manual: the outside of the front cover; the inside of the
13 front cover; the first page other than the cover; or the outside of the back cover. The warning shall be
14 printed or stamped in the manual or contained in a durable label or sticker affixed to the manual in a
15 font no smaller than the font used for other safety warnings in the manual. Alternatively, the warning
16 may be included in a safety warning section of the owner's manual consistent with specifications
17 issued by Underwriters Laboratories.

18 **7.9** A warning in the owner's manual of a Covered Product may be used to satisfy the
19 warning requirements of this Section 7 only under the following circumstances: the Covered Product
20 (i) may cause serious injury or bodily harm (other than by means of fire or electrocution) unless used
21 as directed; or (ii) is sophisticated, difficult to understand or install, set-up, or assemble; or (iii) has
22 one or more features a consumer must read about in order to know how to program or use the
23 Covered Product. However, a Covered Product may not utilize an owner's manual warning if it
24 meets the following criteria: (a) the Covered Product is unlikely to cause serious injury or bodily
25 harm other than by means of fire or electrocution; (b) the Covered Product is easily assembled or
26 programmed by an ordinary consumer without need to reference instructions; and (c) fundamental
27 operation of the Covered Product is easily understood and commonly performed by an ordinary
28 consumer without training or need to reference operating instructions. Exhibit F contains a list of

1 Covered Products/product types for which Owner's Manual Warnings are deemed to be an allowable
2 method of communicating the warnings required by this Section 7. Plaintiffs have previously
3 provided the California Attorney General's Office and the Settling Defendant with a list of Covered
4 Products/product types for which Owner's Manual Warnings are deemed not to be an allowable
5 method of communicating the warnings required by this Section 7 (the "Non-Owner's Manual
6 Product List"). Exhibit F and the Non-Owner's Manual Product List may be used as guidance in
7 determining whether the criteria for use of owner's manual warnings set forth in this Section are
8 satisfied. Exhibit F and the Non-Owner's Manual Products List may also be used by the Parties in
9 the course of dispute resolution pursuant to Section 9.

10 7.10 The Settling Defendant may provide an Owner's Manual Warning on any Covered
11 Products/product types, except for those listed on the Non-Owner's Manual Product List, that satisfy
12 the criteria in Section 7.9, whether or not that Covered Product or product type is listed on Exhibit F.
13 Settling Defendant shall provide to Plaintiff, by certified mail or other confirmable delivery, a list of
14 those Covered Products for which an owners manual warning is proposed to be given. Plaintiff shall,
15 within 60 days, notify Settling Defendant as to whether Plaintiff agrees that an owner's manual
16 warning is appropriate. In the event that Plaintiff determines that an Owner's Manual Warning is not
17 appropriate, it shall provide a written explanation of the basis therefore. In the event that the Settling
18 Defendant disagrees with Plaintiff's determination the settling defendant may elect to invoke the
19 Dispute Resolution process provided for in Section 9 hereof. Products not existing as of the
20 Effective Date that are introduced for sale after January 1, 2009 may use a owner's manual warning if
21 approved in writing by the California Attorney General's office, following 60 days prior notice to
22 Plaintiff.

23 7.11 Settling Defendant shall provide, on or before the Effective Date of this Consent
24 Judgment, to its Crate retailers and distributors that do business in California "stick on" warnings that
25 comply with paragraphs 7.1 to 7.10 above, along with instructions that the warnings are to be
26 attached to any Covered Products that the distributor or retailer has in its inventory so that the sale of
27 the products in California will comply with Proposition 65.

1 7.12 The requirement for product labeling, set forth herein, is imposed pursuant to the
2 terms of this Consent Judgment. The Parties recognize that product labeling is not the exclusive
3 method of providing a warning under Proposition 65 and its implementing regulations.

4 8. **ADDED INFREQUENTLY HANDLED PRODUCTS**

5 8.1 Exhibit E contains a list of Infrequently Handled Products that are deemed to meet
6 the criteria of Section 7.3(a) and, therefore, deemed to be exempt from Proposition 65 warning
7 requirements. The Products appearing on Exhibit E and the Non-Exempt Products List may be used
8 as guidance to interpret the criteria of Section 7.3(a). A Covered Product not appearing on the Non-
9 Exempt Products List, is exempt if it meets the criteria of Section 7.3(a) whether or not it appears on
10 Exhibit E.

11 8.2 At least 60 days prior to retail sale, Settling Defendant shall provide to Plaintiff by
12 certified mail or other confirmable delivery, a list of those Covered Products which do not exist as of
13 the Effective Date for which Settling Defendant contends are infrequently handled products for which
14 no warning is required. Plaintiff shall, within 60 days, notify Settling Defendant as to whether
15 Plaintiff agrees that that the Covered Product is infrequently handled and does not require a warning.
16 In the event that Plaintiff determines that a warning is required it shall provide a written explanation
17 of the basis therefore. In the event that the Settling Defendant disagrees with Plaintiff's
18 determination the settling defendant may elect to invoke the Dispute Resolution process provided for
19 in Section 9 hereof. Products not existing as of the Effective Date that are introduced for sale after
20 January 1, 2008 may be sold without a warning because they are infrequently handled if so approved
21 in writing by the California Attorney General's office, following 60 days prior notice to Plaintiff.

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23 9. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

24 9.1 Wherever this Consent Judgment provides that the Settling Defendant may invoke
25 the Dispute Resolution process or file a motion to have the Court resolve an issue, the Settling
26 Defendant seeking a resolution shall first mail (by certified mail) and fax a notice to Plaintiff, setting
27 forth the dispute and the basis for the Party's position. The Parties interested in the dispute shall then
28 meet and confer in good faith within sixty (60) days to determine whether the dispute may be

1 resolved in order to avoid further litigation of the issue, unless both Parties waive, in writing, notice
2 and the opportunity to meet and confer. In the event that Plaintiff fails to meet and confer within the
3 sixty (60) day period, the Settling Defendant's position shall be deemed to have prevailed. In the
4 event that, after meeting and conferring, Plaintiff disapproves or disagrees with a position taken by
5 the Settling Defendant, Plaintiff shall notify the Settling Defendant in writing, sent by an overnight
6 delivery service requiring a signature upon delivery, within 14 (fourteen) days of meeting and
7 conferring. Should the Plaintiff do so and should the Settling Defendant wish to pursue its position,
8 the Settling Defendant shall then seek to have the California Attorney General concur with the
9 Settling Defendant's position. If the California Attorney General concurs in writing with the Settling
10 Defendant, the Settling Defendant shall provide notice thereof to Plaintiff and the Settling
11 Defendant's view shall prevail. If, however, the California Attorney General does not concur with
12 the Settling Defendant within ninety (90) days of the date on which the Settling Defendant sought the
13 California Attorney General's concurrence, the Settling Defendant shall have the right to bring the
14 issue to the Court by noticed motion for its de novo review and, provided that it is proceeding in good
15 faith, shall not be subject to further penalties during the pendency of such motion and/or if the motion
16 is not contested by Plaintiff. In the event that the Plaintiff chooses to contest such a motion and
17 prevails, 1) the Settling Defendant shall be deemed to be in compliance with the terms of this
18 Consent Judgment provided that it implements the warning requirements imposed as the result of the
19 Court's determination within ninety (90) days that the Court's determination is final; and 2) Plaintiff
20 may elect to seek to recover its attorney fees incurred in association with such motion as provided for
21 by California Civil Procedure Code Section 1021.5.

22 10. **APPLICATION OF JUDGMENT**

23 The obligations of this Consent Judgment shall apply to and be binding upon all plaintiffs,
24 acting in the public interest pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(d) and the Settling
25 Defendant and the successors or assigns of any of them.
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1 11. **AUTHORITY TO STIPULATE**

2 Each signatory to this Consent Judgment certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the
3 Party he or she represents to enter into this Consent Judgment and to execute it on behalf of the Party
4 represented and legally to bind that Party.

5 12. **NOTICES**

6 Whenever a notice is called for by this Consent Judgment, it shall be provided to the Settling
7 Defendant at the addresses identified in Exhibit B hereto. If any Party desires to change the
8 individual and/or address designated to receive notice on its behalf, such Party shall provide notice to
9 all other Parties pursuant to the terms of this Section.

10 13. **RETENTION OF JURISDICTION**

11 This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to implement this Consent Judgment.

12 14. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

13 This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding of the
14 Parties with respect to the entire subject matter hereof, and any and all prior discussions, negotiations,
15 commitments and understandings related hereto. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or
16 implied, other than those contained herein have been made by any Party hereto. No other agreements
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18 Parties.

19 15. **GOVERNING LAW**

20 The validity, construction and performance of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by the
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MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
FOUNDATION

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18 DATED: _____

By: _____
William Verick

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20 ST. LOUIS MUSIC

21 DATED: May 31, 2007

By: [Signature]
Tim O'Neil

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24 IT IS SO ORDERED.

PATRICK J. MAHONEY,

25 DATED: JUL 26 2007

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

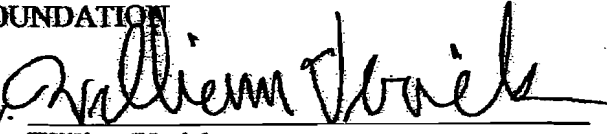
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DATED: 5-25-07

MATEEL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
FOUNDATION

By: 
William Verick

ST. LOUIS MUSIC

DATED: _____

By: _____

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: _____

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

EXHIBIT A
(Copy Of 60-Day Notice Letter)

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June 29, 2006

EDWARD G. WEIL
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Greetings:

This office and the Mateel Environmental Justice Foundation ("Mateel") give you notice that the private businesses on the attached service list have been, are, will be and threaten to be in violation of Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 This office and Mateel are both private enforcers of Proposition 65, both organizations may be reached at the below listed address and telephone number, I may be considered a "responsible individual" at both organizations, and I may be contacted at the same address and telephone number. The above referenced violations occur when California residents come into contact with thermoset/thermoplastic-coated wires, cables, and/or cords/cord sets, including PVC-coated wires, cords/cord sets, plugs and connectors, and both SPT and HPN cords/cord sets (hereinafter collectively "Cords"). These private businesses market products with, or that are themselves, Cords. Some examples of the products that incorporate Cords are those listed in the attached Product List. Though a specific model or SKU or product number is given as an example, this notice pertains to all variations of the specific type of product of which the named model is an example. Handling of, and contact with, these Cords exposes people to acrylonitrile, antimony trioxide, arsenic, 1,3 butadiene, carbon tetrachloride, carbon black extracts, chlorinated paraffins, chloroform, ethyl acrylate, ethylene thiourea, nickel, toluene, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, vinyl chloride, lead and lead compounds, lead acetate, lead phosphate, lead subacetate, and di(2ethylhexyl) phthalate. Handling Cords causes these chemicals to come off the coating of the Cords and to be transferred to the skin of the person handling the Cords. These chemicals are then ingested through hand-to-mouth contact and hand-to-food-to-mouth and hand-to-cigarette-to-mouth behavior. These chemicals are also absorbed through the skin, through mucous membranes and enter the body through cuts, punctures and abrasions. Smokers also inhale those chemicals transferred from hands to cigarettes when they smoke the cigarettes. People are thus exposed to these chemicals via the ingestion, inhalation, dermal absorption, mucous membrane absorption and subcutaneous routes. These private companies 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 June 29, 2003 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 of these products these private businesses make outside of California, except as to workplaces these businesses maintain in California. Exposures constituting Proposition 65 environmental exposure violations occur both on and off the property of these businesses and in each of California's 58 counties.

Cordially,


William Verick

PRODUCT LIST

ANDIS COMPANY, INC.

ANDIS ADJUSTABLE HOME PET TRIMMER #LR51303 UPC: 040102 188152: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

BRADSHAW INTERNATIONAL, INC.

GOOD COOK IMMERSION HEATER #16990 UPC: 076753 169905: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

CALRAD ELECTRONICS, INC.

5.1 DIGITAL CABLE 6 RCA CABLES FOR DTS PROCESSORS TO SURROUND AMPS 6: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

LOVE-LESS ASH COMPANY

LOVE-LESS ASH COMPANY WET/DRY DUSTLESS VAC MODEL 16003 16 GALLON UPC: 617450 160033: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

MARSHALL AMPLIFICATION/KORG USA

MG SERIES 30DFX AMPLIFIER: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

NOBLE WIRE AND TERMINAL CORP.

12' TEST LEAD #8712 UPC: 715995 318497: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

QUINCY COMPRESSOR

AIR MASTER SERIES COMPRESSOR #115285-110 2HP 4,1 CFM PSI: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

SAKAR INTERNATIONAL, INC.

MAXIMO CONCEPTS TRAVEL AUTO MUG DUAL MUG KIT UPC: 21331 427212: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

SCHECTER GUITAR RESEARCH, INC.

SCHECTER DIAMOND SERIES GRYPHON ELECTRIC GUITAR: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

ST. LOUIS MUSIC, INC.

CRATE GT 15 R AMPLIFIER: This product description pertains not only to the specific model of the product listed, but also for all units of all models of similar types of products.

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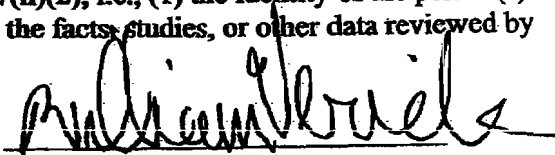
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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

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: June 29, 2006



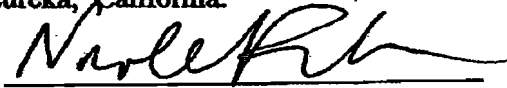
William Verick

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 June 29, 2006 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 June 29, 2006, at Eureka, California.



Nicole Frank

EXHIBIT C
(Optional List of Certain Brand Names and Product Type)

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A. Brand Names:

B: Product Types:

ST LOUIS MUSIC products with power cords including, but not limited to, the following products:

EXHIBIT D
(Exemplar of Optional Testing Protocol)

Step 1: Cut 3-inch section of a cable that has not previously been used or wiped.

Step 2. On multiconductor cables, remove the insulated conductors and any other inner components from the 3-inch section of the cable. On single insulated conductors, remove the metallic conductor from the 3-inch section of the cable. Place the outer nonmetallic covering into a lead free receptacle (such as a pre-labeled resealable plastic food storage bag).

Step 3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 above for two additional cables such that a total of three samples are produced for laboratory analysis.

Step 4. Prepare samples for laboratory analysis according to EPA Method 160.4 or 3050. Samples must be completely digested before proceeding to step 5.

Step 5. Analyze samples for total lead by EPA Method 7420 (AA Flame).

Step 6. Compute the arithmetic mean from the three samples.

EXHIBIT E
(Infrequently Handled Products)

1	208- and 220-volt appliances (unless appliance is portable)
2	AC Adapters for foreign outlets and other voltage converters
3	Adjustable beds
4	Air Conditioner
5	Air Purifier
6	Amplifier for home stereo systems (including associated power and interconnector cords, but not including interconnector cords for microphones or musical instruments)
7	Answering machine
8	Audio mixer and associated power cords for in-studio, non-portable mixer units
9	Audio or video cable and adapter cords
10	Audio switcher power cords, unless designed to plug into front of audio/video appliance
11	Audio/video equipment and associated power and patch/pin cords (if A/V equipment is (i) not portable, e.g., no handle or carrying case, (ii) is not designed to plug into front of audio/video appliance, and (iii) is otherwise designed for long term installation)
12	Auto power adapters and cord, unless designed to plug into cigarette lighter or similar in-dash power source
13	Automotive wires and cables (installed)
14	Back cushion massager
15	Bathtub bubble mat
16	Bathtub spas
17	Battery Connection Cords (internal)
18	Battery charger units (except those used for automobiles)
19	Beard Trimmer (cordless models only)
20	Blender (not including hand-held models)
21	Bread Machine
22	Broadcast Equipment, and associated power and interconnector cords (if designed for in-studio or other non-portable installation)
23	Building wire (installed)
24	Calculator
25	Caller ID Unit
26	Can Opener
27	Carafes/Decanters, if cord attaches to separate base unit
28	Carbon Monoxide Detectors
29	Cash Registers
30	CATV Receiver Power Cords
31	CB radio/antenna cords (not handsets)
32	CD Player/changer (non-portable units only)
33	CD/DVD Home Theater Systems
34	Cielo Bath
35	Circuit Cable
36	Clock
37	Coffee Maker
38	Color Imaging System Power Cord & Cable (non-portable and not for use with portable computer system)
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41	Computer Adapter Cords (not for laptops, and not designed to plug into front of system)
42	Computer Cables (in walls)
43	Computer CD/DVD Drives (installed, not used with laptops)
44	Computer docking system
45	Computer Keyboard
46	Computer modem line (data and power)
47	Computer monitor cable
48	Computer Mouse (cordless)
49	Computer Peripheral AC Adaptor cord and I/F cable (not including those for portable computers or portable peripheral devices)
50	Computer Peripheral PCMCIA Card Cord (not including those for portable computers)
51	Computer Peripheral Wires & Cables (not including those for portable computers and those designed to plug into front of desktop computer (e.g., USB cords))
52	Computer Scanners (not including those designed for portable computers)
53	Computer Servers and External Storage Units
54	Computer Speaker Cords (not including those used with portable computers)
55	Computer Tape Drives
56	Controller/Tuner Power Cord
57	Convactor Power Cords
58	Cooktop Power Cords (not including those used with small portable hot plates)
59	Copier
60	Cordless Toothbrush
61	Data Logger Cable (unless included with portable device)
62	Deep fryer
63	Desktop computer power/patch/pin cords (unless designed to plug into front of computer (e.g., USB cords))
64	Digital imaging equipment (non-portable and not for use with portable computer system)
65	Digital media editor power cords/connecting cables (for installed, non-portable media editor units)
66	Digital Sender (digitizes and transmits images), for installed, non-portable units
67	Digital Tuner (non-portable units only)
68	Dishwasher
69	Drink Mixer (not hand-held)
70	Dryer
71	DVD (non-portable units only)
72	DVD Audio/Video Cable (unless designed to plug into front of system)
73	DVD Recorder Power/Interconnector Cords (non-portable units only)
74	Egg Cooker
75	Electric Bedding
76	Electric Grill - Indoor or Outdoor
77	Electric Recliners/Massage Chairs
78	Electric Sewing Machine (non-portable units only, i.e., those which have no handle or case)
79	Electric Thermos Pot (if cord attaches to separate base unit)
80	Electric/Digital Pianos, Organs (non-portable units only)
81	Electrolysis Water System (corded base unit only)
82	Electronic Musical instruments, including associated power and adaptor cords (non-portable units only)
83	Electronic White Board/Print Board Power Cords and Cables

1	84	Espresso & Cappucino Makers
2	85	Facial Spas
3	86	Factory Automation Equipment (industrial systems, not for home use)
4	87	Fan/Heater Products (non-portable models only; i.e., in excess of 10 pounds, as packaged, or having blade diameter 9 inches or greater (rounded to the nearest whole inch) or smaller units which otherwise are regularly installed, or not typically moved from place to place).
5	88	Fax Machines
6	89	Fire Alarm cable
7	90	Fish Roaster
8	91	Flatbread Maker
9	92	Food Processor/Chopper (not including hand-held models)
10	93	Fountain, Decorative
11	94	Freezer
12	95	Garbage Disposals and associated cords (whether sold separately or with product)
13	96	Generators (large systems with only grounding wire)
14	97	Hair Clippers (cordless models only)
15	98	Hair Dryer (only models with retractable cord)
16	99	Hair setter (rollers only, not curling irons)
17	100	Ham and Two-Way Radio and Accessories and Adapters (not handset cords, unless microphone is designed on stand with switch)
18	101	Hard Disk Recorder peripheral and power cords (not including those for portable computers)
19	102	Headphones (cordless models only)
20	103	Headset with Earphone and Microphone (cordless models only)
21	104	Hole punch
22	105	Hot Lather Machine
23	106	Hot Lotion dispenser
24	107	Hot Pot/Kettle/Tea Brewer (if cord attaches to separate base unit)
25	108	Hot Water Dispenser
26	109	Humidifier/Dehumidifier
27	110	Ice Cream Maker
28	111	Ice Maker
	112	Indoor and outdoor phone cable (if designed for permanent installation)
	113	Intercoms (non-hand-held models only)
	114	Inverters/other power supplies (non-automotive uses)
	115	Iron (cordless only)
	116	Juicer/Juice extractor (non-hand-held models only)
	117	LCD Projector (CRT Monitor, receives data from computer) (except for use with portable computer)
	118	Letter opener
	119	Lighting (including tabletop and floor lamps, spotlights, or ceiling lighting, not holiday string lights or clip-on lights)
	120	Magnetic Card Reader/Writer including associated power cord and cable
	121	Meat Grinder (not hand-held models)
	122	Meat Slicer (not hand-held Electric Knives)
	123	Microphone (only including cords powering base unit of cordless microphone system)
	124	Microwave Oven
	125	Mini Speaker System including associated connection cords (not including those for use with laptop computers or other portable devices)
	126	Mixer (non-hand-held models only)

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127	Mobil telephone battery cables (internal wires and cords only)
128	Mobile telephone accessories (only those using corded base charging unit or permanently installed in automobiles)
129	Mobile video screens designed for permanent installation (such as for use in automobiles or boats)
130	Multi-function office support device (combines functions such as copier, printer, fax machine, PBX, voice mail into one)
131	Neon sign & oil burner ignition cable
132	NIC/Modem cables
133	Optical Cable/Stereo Optical Cords (unless designed to plug into front of system)
134	Optical Disc AC Adapter (non-portable and not for use with portable computer systems)
135	Optical Disc Power Cords (non-portable and not for use with portable computer systems)
136	Ovens
137	Over-Range Microwave Ovens/Hoods
138	Paper shredder
139	Parrafin/wax Bath for Hands
140	Patch/pin cords, and cables, adapter cord, coaxial cable, A/V cord, S-VHS cord (when sold with device otherwise excluded)
141	Pencil sharpener
142	Personal Hygiene System and assoicated power cord
143	Pest Repeller
144	Pet Cage Dryers
145	Portable Dishwasher
146	Portable heater (only if designed for permanent installation)
147	Portable Washer
148	Postage meters
149	Postal scales
150	Potpourri heater
151	Power bases for charging wireless devices (if designed for long term installation)
152	Power tools (corded, cordless, stationary, or portable)
153	Power/control/instrumentation tray cable (except for non-permanently-iainstalled public address systems)
154	Pressure Cooker
155	Printer cables
156	Printer power cord
157	Projector, non-portable (no handle or carrying case)
158	Public Address Amplifier and Accessories (non-portable or otherwise designed for permanent or long term installation)
159	Radiator
160	Radios with attached cord and without handles (including clock radios)
161	Range
162	Range Hoods/Vent
163	Rechargeable Flashlights
164	Rechargeable Lanterns
165	Refrigerator
166	Rice Cake Maker
167	Rice Cooker
168	Riser/Plenum cable (if designed for permanent/long term installation)

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169	Roaster Oven
170	Rope Lights (other than holiday string lights) if designed for permanent/long term installation
171	Satellite dish
172	Scales
173	Scanner antenna
174	Shavers - Cordless w/Corded Recharger Base only
175	Sink Top Switch for Disposer or Hot Water Dispenser (air activated switch mounted to sink or countertop, designed for permanent/long term installation)
176	Smoke detector (internal wires or if designed for permanent/long term installation)
177	Speaker wire (designed for use with components designed for long term/permanent installation; speaker wire associated with portable equipment with attached handle or carrying case not excluded)
178	Stapler
179	Steam cooker
180	Stereo and audio power/patch/pin cords (for use with non-portable components and except where designed to plug into front of system)
181	Surge protector
182	Telecom Data Cable (installed)
183	Telecom Power Cable (installed)
184	Tele-Homecare System (power cords)
185	Telephone power and data cord (phone to wall cords only)
186	Television (except small mobile models with attached/built in handle or carrying case)
187	Television Antenna
188	Television distribution system/swapper
189	Television Monitor (including computer monitors except small mobile models with attached/built in handle or carrying case)
190	Television peripheral cords (unless designed for use with devices that plug into the front of the set)
191	Thermostat Cable
192	Toaster
193	Toaster Oven
194	Towel Warmer
195	Transcriber and foot pedal and associated power and interconnecting cords
196	Underground Low-Energy Cable (exclusion applies to consumer uses only)
197	Vanity/lighted makeup mirror
198	VCR (unless portable with attached handle or carrying case)
199	Video mixer and switcher (if component of desktop system with no separate mice)
200	Video printer power cords/connecting cables (unless used with laptop)
201	Warming drawer
202	Washer/Dryer
203	Water distiller
204	Water filter units designed for permanent/long term installation
205	Water heater designed for permanent/long term installation
206	Water jet - Dental
207	Waxers - hair removal (corded base unit only)
208	Wine cellars
209	Diesel Locomotive and Motor Cable

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210	Ignition Cable for Gas Tube Signage
211	Hook-Up Wire (intended for permanent or long-term installation)
212	Telephone Switching Station Cable
213	Loop Detector Wire Used in Traffic Counting
214	Utility Cable and Wire (Power and Communications)
215	Signal Cable
216	Power/Control/Instrumentation/Signal Cable Utility Cable and Wire (Power and Communications)

EXHIBIT F

(Examples of Products For Which Warnings May Be Given In Owner's Manual)

1	Patch/pin cords, and cables, adapter cord, coaxial cable, A/V cord, S-VHS cord (when sold concurrently with equipment that also appears on this list)
2	AC adaptor cords (when sold concurrently with equipment that also appears on this list)
3	Air Pumps
4	Power and patch cords for professional/commercial audio/video equipment used in field (when sold concurrently with the equipment)
5	Interconnection or patchcables for portable audio/video/computer components or peripheral devices (when sold concurrently with equipment that also appears on this list)
6	Power adapters and cord for use with automotive cigarette lighter or similar power outlet (when sold concurrently with equipment that also appears on this list)
7	Power and interconnector cords for broadcast equipment used in field (when sold concurrently with the broadcast equipment)
8	Coffee warmer/urn (party-size)
9	Adapter and power cords for laptop and desktop computers/peripherals (when sold concurrently with computer or peripheral device)
10	Computer Joystick (owner's manual warning authorized only where reference to the owners manual is necessary to program or install software for use; alternatively, warning that otherwise would be placed in owner's manual must appear as part of on-screen programming/installation instructions)
11	Computer Mouse (when sold concurrently with equipment that also appears on this list)
12	Digital camera cords and cables (when sold concurrently with digital camera)
13	Portable DVD Player (e.g., with handles/carrying case)
14	Power and adaptor cords for portable electronic musical instruments and keyboards (when sold concurrently with the electronic musical instrument or keyboard)
15	Foot Massagers (wet)
16	Laptop Computer
17	Sandwich Maker
18	Telephone handset cord (handset-to-phone portion only where sold concurrently with telephone with programmable features)
19	Thermoelectric coolers
20	Travel Steamer
21	Vacuum cleaner, deep cleaner/extractor and/or carpet shampoo machine (both regular or retractable cord models)
22	Vaporizer
23	Video Camera power cords, adaptor cords (e.g., AC, auto), charger cords, connecting cables (when sold concurrently with video camera)
24	Video game accessories (owner's manual warning authorized where: i) accessory is sold with another product for which owners manual warnings are allowed; or ii) reference to the owners manual is necessary to program or install software for use). Warning that would otherwise be placed in owner's manual may alternatively be displayed as part of on-screen programming/installation instructions where use of such are necessary for initial product use.

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25	Stand alone video mixer or switcher with non-integrated mouse
26	Portable warming tray
27	Cord of handheld waxers used for hair removal
28	Mobile telephones
29	Camera Cords and cables (only if sold concurrently with camera)
30	Telephones with programmable features

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19 Plaintiff,

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20 vs.

21 BRADSHAW INTERNATIONAL, INC.;
22 LOVE-LESS ASH COMPANY; KORG
23 USA; NOBLE WIRE AND TERMINAL
CORP.; QUINCY COMPRESSOR, INC.;
SCHECTER GUITAR RESEARCH, INC.
ST LOUIS MUSIC

Date: July 27, 2007
Time: 9:30 a.m.
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24 Defendants.
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26 Plaintiff's motion for approval of settlement and entry of Consent Judgment was heard on
27 noticed motion on July 27, 2007 The court finds that:
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- 1 1. The reformulation and warnings required by the Consent Judgment comply with
- 2 the requirements of Proposition 65;
- 3 2. The payments in lieu of civil penalty specified in the Consent Judgment are
- 4 reasonable based on the criteria in Cal Health & Safety Code §25249.7(b)(2); and
- 5 3. The attorneys fees awarded under the Consent Judgment are reasonable under
- 6 California law.

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8 Based upon these findings, the settlement and Consent Judgment are approved.

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10 IT IS SO ORDERED.

PATRICK J. MAHONEY

11 Dated: JUL 26 2007

Judge of the Superior Court