Philip T. Emmons (SBN 124902) Law Office of Philip T. Emmons 2 1990 North California Blvd., 8th Floor MAR 28 2711 Walnut Creek, CA 94596-3742 3 T: (925) 287-6436 F: (925) 287-6437 Attorney for Plaintiff Environmental Research Center б Trenton H. Norris Sarah Esmaili Amold & Porter LLP Three Embarcadero Center, 7th Floor San Francisco, CA 94111 T: (415) 356-3000 9 F: (415) 356-3099 10 Attorneys for Defendant Promax Nutrition Corporation 11 12 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 13 COUNTY OF ALAMEDA 14 Case No. RG 13699644 ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER, INC., 15 HPROPOSED | CONSENT JUDGMENT 16 Plaintiff, 17 18 PROMAX NUTRITION 19 CORPORATION. 20 Defendant. 21 22 INTRODUCTION 23 On or about October 18, 2013, Plaintiff Environmental Research Center, Inc. 1.1 24 ("ERC"), a non-profit corporation, as a private enforcer and in the public interest, initiated this 25 action by filing a Complaint for Injunctive Relief and Civil Penalties ("Complaint") pursuant to the provisions of California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, California Health and Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. (also known as and hereinafter referred to

> (1) [PROPOSED] CONSENT JUDGMENT

EXHIBIT

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as "Proposition 65"), against Defendant Promax Nutrition Corporation ("Promax"). ERC and Promax are hereinafter sometimes referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as the

- helping safeguard the public from health hazards by reducing the use and misuse of hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and encouraging corporate responsibility. ERC has diligently prosecuted this matter and is settling
- Promax is a California corporation, which at all times relevant to this action, has employed ten or more persons, and is a "person in the course of doing business" within the
- On March 25, 2011 and June 1, 2011, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(d)(1), ERC served Notices of Violations of Proposition 65 ("Notices of Violations") on the California Attorney General, other public enforcers, and Promax. True and correct copies of the Notices of Violations are attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Notices of Violations contains allegations that Promax, without giving a required clear and reasonable warning, has exposed and continues to expose individuals in California to lead, a chemical listed under Proposition 65 as a carcinogen and reproductive toxin, by manufacturing, marketing, distributing and/or selling the following three products:
 - 1) Promax Nutrition Corp. Promax Bar Cookies 'N Cream,
 - 2) Promax Nutrition Corp. Promax Bar Double Fudge Brownie, and
 - 3) Promax Nutrition Corp. Energy Bar German Chocolate Cake.

These three products are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Covered Products" and in the singular a "Covered Product." Neither the California Attorney General nor any other public enforcer has filed suit against Promax with regard to the Covered Products or the alleged violations.

More than 60 days after service of the Notices of Violations, ERC filed the 1.5 Complaint, which is based on the Notices of Violations and contains allegations that Promax has exposed and continues to expose persons in California who use and/or handle the Covered Products to the chemical lead in excess of the exposure levels allowed under Proposition 65 without first providing clear and reasonable warnings, in violation of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.6.

- 1.6 Promax denies and disputes the claims of alleged violations of Proposition 65 asserted in the Notices of Violations and the Complaint. Promax maintains that none of the Covered Products have caused any exposures to lead at levels that require a warning under Proposition 65.
- 1.7 The Parties enter into this Consent Judgment in order to settle disputed claims between them and to avoid prolonged and costly litigation.
- 1.8 Nothing in this Consent Judgment, nor compliance with this Consent Judgment, shall constitute or be construed as an admission by the Parties of any fact, issue of law, or violation of law, at any time, for any purpose. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be construed as giving rise to any presumption or inference of admission or concession or waiver of a defense by Promax as to any fault, wrongdoing or liability whatsoever, including, but not limited to, any alleged violation of Proposition 65.
- 1.9 Except as expressly provided herein, nothing in this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive or impair any right, remedy or defense that the Parties may have in any other or further legal proceedings. This paragraph shall not diminish or otherwise affect the obligations, responsibilities, and duties of any Party to this Consent Judgment.
- 1.10 The "Effective Date" of this Consent Judgment shall be the date this Consent Judgment is entered by the Court.
- 1.11 The only products covered by this Consent Judgment are the Covered Products, and the only chemical covered by this Consent Judgment is the chemical lead as related to the Covered Products only.

2. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action and personal jurisdiction over the Parties, that

venue is proper in this Court, and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter a Consent Judgment pursuant to the terms set forth herein.

3. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

3.1 On and after the Effective Date, Promax shall be permanently enjoined from manufacturing for sale in California, distributing into California, or directly selling to any consumer located in California any of the Covered Products (1) without complying with the warning requirement set forth in Section 3.2 below; or (2) that contain more than 0.5 micrograms of lead per bar after subtracting out the amount of lead deemed "naturally occurring" for each ingredient listed in Table 3.3 below. The term "distributing into California," as used herein, means to ship any of the Covered Products into California for sale in California or to sell or provide any of the Covered Products to any person or entity Promax knows intends to or will ship any of the Covered Products into or sell any of the Covered Products in California.

3.2 Clear and Reasonable Warnings

For Covered Products that are subject to the warning requirement of Section 3.1, Promax shall provide the following warning as specified below:

WARNING: This product contains lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause [cancer and] birth defects or other reproductive harm.

(The text in the brackets in the warning above related to cancer shall be included only with any of the Covered Products that contain more than 15 micrograms of lead per bar.) The warning shall be permanently affixed to or prominently printed on the product label with such conspicuousness, as compared to other words, statements or designs on the label, so as to render it likely to be read and understood by the ordinary purchaser and/or user of the product under customary conditions of purchase or use of the product. The warning shall be the same size as the largest of any other health or safety warnings on the product label and the word

"WARNING" shall be in all capital letters and in bold print.

3.3 Calculation of Lead Content

For Purposes of Section 3.1 above and only for purposes of this Consent Judgment, the amount of lead content deemed "naturally occurring" in each of the Covered Products is the sum

of the amounts of "naturally occurring" lead supplied by the quantity of each ingredient listed in Table 3.3 that is present in each bar. For each ingredient listed in Table 3.3, the amount of lead deemed "naturally occurring" for the purposes of this Consent Judgment only is listed in Table 3.3 in micrograms of "naturally occurring" lead per gram of the ingredient contained in each bar of the Covered Products. If Promax seeks to exclude "naturally occurring" amounts of lead under this Section 3.3 for any of the Covered Products, Promax shall provide to ERC, under the terms of the confidentiality agreement entered into by the Parties, a separate document to include a complete list of the ingredients in each such Covered Product and each ingredient's quantity per bar in grams (rounded to the nearest one tenth of a gram), including, but not limited to, each of the ingredients listed in Table 3.3. Promax shall additionally provide to ERC test results or other data that independently confirms the quantity per bar in grams of each ingredient being used in each such Covered Product.

TABLE 3.3

Ingredient	Amount of Lead Per Gram of Ingredient Deemed Naturally Occurring for Purposes of this Consent Judgment Only
Calcium (elemental)	0.8 micrograms
Ferrous Furnarate	0.4 micrograms
Magnesium Oxide	0.4 micrograms
Zinc Oxide	8.0 micrograms
Cocoa powdeт	1.0 micrograms

3.4 Testing

3.4.1 Beginning on the Effective Date and continuing for a period of four years thereafter, at least two times per year, Promax shall have tested for lead content three randomly selected samples from a single lot of each of the Covered Products in the form intended for sale to the end-user. The term "lot," as used herein, means one manufacturing cycle. Each lot shall be designated by a numbers, letters, or a combination of numbers and letters unique to that lot, and which shall be affixed or printed on each bottle or container of any of the Covered Products in that lot. Each sample to be tested shall be randomly selected, and shall be identified in

- 3.4.2 Testing for lead content under Section 3.4 shall be performed using closed-vessel, microwave-assisted acid digestion employing high-purity reagents, followed by Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS), achieving a limit of quantification of less than or equal to 0.010 mg/kg; or heat-assisted acid digestion employing high-purity reagents, followed by Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS), achieving a limit of quantification of less than or equal to 0.010 mg/kg; or any other testing method agreed upon in writing by the Parties.
- 3.4.3 Testing for lead content under Section 3.4 shall be performed by an independent third-party laboratory certified by the California Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program for the analysis of heavy metals or an independent third-party laboratory registered with the United States Food & Drug Administration. Promax shall also retain all test results and documentation for a period of four years from the date of the test.
- 3.4.4 Beginning on the Effective Date and continuing for a period of four years thereafter, Promax shall arrange for copies of all laboratory reports with results of testing for lead content under Section 3.4 to be sent by the testing laboratory directly to ERC within ten working days upon Promax receiving a written request by ERC for such testing results. These reports shall be deemed and treated by ERC as confidential information under the terms of the confidentiality agreement entered into by the Parties.
- 3.4.5 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall limit Promax's ability to conduct, or require that others conduct, additional testing of the Covered Products, including the raw materials used in their manufacture.
- 3.4.6 The testing and sampling methodology set forth in Section 3.4 is a result of negotiation and compromise, and is accepted by the Parties for the purposes of settling, compromising, and resolving the issues in this Action, including future compliance with Section 3 of this Consent Judgment, and shall not be used for any purpose or in any other matter, except for the purposes of determining future compliance with this Consent Judgment.

3.4 Products in the Stream of Commerce

The injunctive relief set forth in Section 3 shall not apply to any of the Covered Products that Promax puts into the stream of commerce before the Effective Date. On the Effective Date, Promax shall provide ERC with the last lot number and expiration date for each of the Covered Products in the stream of commerce as of the Effective Date.

4. SETTLEMENT PAYMENT

4.1 Total Payment

In full and final satisfaction of civil penalties, payment in lieu of further civil penalties, ERC's expenses and costs of litigation, and ERC's attorney fees, Promax shall pay a total settlement payment of \$120,000 ("Total Settlement Amount") to be paid in three equal installments of \$40,000 each, with the first payment made within ten (10) days after the Effective Date, the second payment made within forty (40) days after the Effective Date, and the third and final payment made within seventy (70) days after the Effective Date. Each payment will be made by a check made payable to "Environmental Research Center – ERC Escrow Account", and sent by first-class registered or certified mail, or overnight delivery, directly to ERC at the following address:

Environmental Research Center 3111 Camino del Rio North, Suite 400 San Diego, CA 92108

Promax shall also issue a single IRS Federal Tax Form 1099 for the initial payment to ERC. Sections 4.2-4.5 below describe the agreed partition of the Total Scttlement Amount.

4.2 Civil Penalty

As a portion of the Total Settlement Amount, \$15,892 shall be considered a civil penalty pursuant to California Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(b)(1). ERC shall remit 75% (\$11,919) of the civil penalties to the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") for deposit in the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Fund in accordance with California Health and Safety Code § 25249.12(c), and a copy of the transmittal letter will be sent to Defendant's counsel. ERC will retain the remaining 25% (\$3,973) of the civil penalty.

4.3 Payment in Lieu of Further Civil Penalties

As a portion of the Total Settlement Amount, \$47,686 shall be considered a payment to ERC in lieu of further civil penaltics for activities such as (1) funding the investigating, researching and testing of consumer products that may contain Proposition 65 listed chemicals: (2) funding grants to California non-profit foundations/entities dedicated to public health; (3) funding ERC's Got Lead? Program to assist consumers in testing products for lead content; (4) funding post-settlement monitoring of past consent judgments; (5) funding to maintain ERC's database of lead-free products, Proposition 65-compliant products and contaminated products; (6) funding to track and catalog Proposition 65-compliant, contamination-free sources of ingredients used in the products ERC tests; and (7) funding the continued day to day business of enforcement of Proposition 65 matters which address contaminated ingestible products, similar to the subject matter of this Action.

4.4 Reimbursement of Expenses and Costs

As a portion of the Total Settlement Amount, \$27,697 shall be considered a reimbursement to ERC for its reasonable investigation costs associated with the enforcement of Proposition 65 and other expenses and costs incurred as a result of investigating, bringing this matter to Promax's attention, litigating and negotiating a settlement in the public interest.

4.5 Attorney Fees

As a portion of the Total Settlement Amount, \$28,725 shall be considered a payment to ERC for its attorneys' fees of Philip T. Emmons (\$27,112.50) and Karen A. Evans (\$1,612.50).

5. COSTS AND FEES

Except as expressly set forth herein in Section 4, each Party shall bear its own attorneys' fees, costs and expenses in this action.

6. RELEASE

6.1 ERC, acting on its own behalf and in the public interest, releases Promax and its officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, representatives, parents, subsidiaries, divisions, subdivisions, affiliates, franchisees, licensees, successors, assigns and attorneys, and suppliers, manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, retailers and all other entities in the

distribution chain of the Covered Products, but excluding private label customers ("Released Parties") from all claims for violations of Proposition 65 up through the Effective Date based on exposure to lead from the Covered Products as set forth in the Notices of Violations and the Complaint.

- 6.2 Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment constitutes compliance with Proposition 65 with respect to consumer exposures to lead from the Covered Products as set forth in the Notices of Violations and the Complaint.
- 6.3 ERC on behalf of itself only, on the one hand, and Promax, on the other hand, release and waive all claims they may have against each other and their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives and attorneys for any statements or actions made or undertaken by them or their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives and attorneys in connection with the Notices of Violations or this action.
- 6.4 Nothing in this release is intended to apply to any occupational or environmental exposures arising under Proposition 65, nor shall it apply to any of Promax's products other than the Covered Products.

7. MOTION FOR COURT APPROVAL

- 7.1 Upon execution of this Consent Judgment by the Parties, ERC shall notice, prepare, and file a Motion for Approval & Entry of Consent Judgment pursuant to 11 California Code of Regulations § 3000, et seq. This motion shall be served upon Promax and upon the California Attorney General's Office. Promax and ERC shall use their best efforts to support entry of this Consent Judgment in the form submitted to the Court for approval.
- 7.2 If, after service of the Motion for Approval & Entry of Consent Judgment, the California Attorney General objects in writing to any term in this Consent Judgment or files an opposition to the motion, the Parties shall use their best efforts to resolve the concern in a timely manner prior to the hearing on the motion. If the concern of the California Attorney General is not resolved prior to the hearing on the motion, any Party may withdraw from this Consent Judgment prior to the date of the hearing, with notice to all Parties in accordance with Paragraph

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17 below and notice to the California Attorney General's Office, and upon such notice this Consent Judgment shall be null and void.

This Consent Judgment shall be effective only after it has been entered by the 7.3 Court. Otherwise, it shall be of no force or effect and cannot be used in any other proceeding for any purpose.

8. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to enforce, modify, or terminate this Consent Judgment.

9. MODIFICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

This Consent Judgment after its entry by the Court may be modified only upon written agreement of the Parties and upon entry of a modified Consent Judgment by the Court thereon.

ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT JUDGMENT; GOOD FAITH ATTEMPT TO 10. RESOLVE DISPUTES

In the event a dispute arises with respect to any Party's compliance with the terms and/or conditions of this Consent Judgment after its entry by the Court, the Party seeking compliance of another Party shall make a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute by conferring with the other Party in person, by telephone or by written communication before seeking relief from the Court. If the dispute is not resolved after such an attempt, this Consent Judgment may be enforced in this Court pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure § 664.4 or any other valid provision of the law. The prevailing party in any such dispute brought to this Court for resolution shall be awarded all reasonable costs and attorney's fees. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party" means a party who is successful in obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief the other party was agreeable to providing during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute that is the subject of such an enforcement proceeding.

11. SEVERABILITY OF UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS

In the event that, after entry of this Consent Judgment in its entirety, any of the provisions hereof are subsequently held by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the enforceable provisions shall not be adversely affected.

12. GOVERNING LAW

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The terms of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by the laws of the State of California and apply within the State of California.

13. RELATION TO OTHER ACTIONS

This Consent Judgment shall have no application or effect on Promax for sales of the Covered Products or other products sold by Promax to consumers outside the State of California.

14. DRAFTING

The terms of this Consent Judgment have been reviewed by the respective legal counsel for the Parties prior to its signing, and each Party has had an opportunity to fully discuss the terms and conditions with its legal counsel. The Parties agree that, in any subsequent interpretation or construction of this Consent Judgment, no inference, assumption or presumption shall be drawn, and no provision of this Consent Judgment shall be construed against any Party, based on the fact that one of the Parties and/or one of the Parties' legal counsel prepared and/or drafted all or any portion of this Consent Judgment. It is conclusively presumed that all of the Parties participated equally in the preparation and drafting of this Consent Judgment.

15. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter hereof, and supersedes and replaces any and all prior agreements or understandings, written or oral, with regard to the matters set forth herein. No other agreements or understandings not specifically referred to herein, oral or otherwise, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the Parties.

16. **EXECUTION IN COUNTERPARTS** 1 This Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts, which taken together shall be 2 deemed to constitute one document. A facsimile or pdf signature shall be construed as valid as 3 the original signature. 4 17. **NOTICES** 5 All notices required by this Consent Judgment to be given to any Party shall be sent by 6 first-class registered or certified mail, or overnight delivery, to all of the following: 7 FOR ERC: 8 Chris Heptinstall, Executive Director Environmental Research Center 10 3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 400 11 San Diego, CA 92108 12 Philip T. Emmons Law Office of Philip T. Emmons 13 1990 North California Blvd., 8th Floor 14 Walnut Creek, CA 94596-3742 15 Karen A. Evans Law Office of Karen A. Evans 16 4218 Biona Place 17 San Diego, CA 92116 18 FOR DEFENDANTS: 19 Simon Goode CEO and President 20 Promax Nutrition Corp. 21 100 Bayview Circle Suite 200 22 Newport Beach, CA 92660 23 Sarah Esmaili Amold & Porter LLP 24 Three Embarcadero Center, 7th Floor San Francisco, CA 94111 25 26 27

[PROPOSED] CONSENT JUDGMENT

AUTHORITY TO STIPULATE TO THIS CONSENT JUDGMENT 18.

Each person signing this Consent Judgment on behalf of a Party certifies that he or she is fully authorized by that Party to stipulate to the terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment on behalf of that Party, to enter into and execute this Consent Judgment on behalf of that Party, and to legally bind that Party to this Consent Judgment. Each person signing this Consent Judgment on behalf of a Party represents and warrants that he or she has read and understands this Consent Judgment, and agrees to all of the terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment on behalf of that Party.

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IT IS SO STIPULATED:	
Dated: 19/14/13	ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER, INC
	By: Chris Hoppinstall
	Executive Director
Dated: 10/14/13	PROMAY NUTRITIONS OF PORATION

Name: Simon Goode

Title: CEO and President

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

T. EMMONS

Philip T. Emmons Attorney for Plaintiff ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER, INC.

Dated: 10/14/13 ARNOLD & PORTER LLP

Attorney for Defendant PROMAX NUTRITION CORPORATION

[PROPOSED] CONSENT JUDGMENT

ORDER AND JUDGMENT

Based on the Parties' stipulation, and good cause appearing therefor, this Consent Judgment is approved and judgment is hereby entered according to its terms.

IT IS SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED.

Dated: MAR 2 8 2014

Judge of the Superior Court

Delbert C. Gep

LAW OFFICE OF PHILIP T. EMMONS

208 Normandy Lane Walnut Creek, CA 94598 Tel: (925) 349-4029 E-Mail: p-emmons@hotmail.com

March 25, 2011

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Current CEO or President Promax Nutrition Corporation 100 Bayview Circle, Suite 200 Newport Beach, CA 92660

CSC - Lawyers Incorporating Service (Promax Nutrition Corporation's Registered Agent for Service of Process) 2730 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95833

Office of the California Attorney General Prop 65 Enforcement Reporting 1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000 P.O. Box 70550 Oakland, CA 94612-0550

VIA PRIORITY MAIL

District Attorneys of All California Counties and Select City Attorneys (See Attached Certificate of Service)

Re: Notice of Violations of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq.

Dear Addressees:

I represent the Environmental Research Center ("ERC") in connection with this Notice of Violations of California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, which is codified at California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq. and also referred to as Proposition 65.

ERC is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes, helping safeguard the public from health hazards by bringing about a reduction in the use and misuse of hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and encouraging corporate responsibility.

The name of the Company covered by this notice that violated Proposition 65 (hereinafter "the Violators") is:

Promax Nutrition Corporation

The products that are the subject of this notice and the chemicals in those products identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

Promax Nutrition Corp. Promax Bar Cookies 'N Cream (75g) - Lead Promax Nutrition Corp. Promax Bar Double Fudge Brownie (75g) - Lead

On February 27, 1987, the State of California officially listed lead as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male and female reproductive toxicity. On October 1, 1992, the State of California officially listed lead and lead compounds as chemicals known to cause cancer.

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This letter is a notice to each of the Violators and the appropriate governmental authorities of the Proposition 65 violations concerning the listed products. This notice covers all violations of Proposition 65 involving the Violators currently known to ERC from the information now available. ERC may continue to investigate other products that may reveal further violations. A summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, is enclosed with the copy of this letter to each of the Violators.

Each of the Violators has manufactured, marketed, distributed, and/or sold the listed products, which have exposed and continue to expose numerous individuals within California to the identified chemicals. The consumer exposures that are the subject of this notice result from the purchase, acquisition, handling and/or recommended use of these products by consumers. The primary route of exposure to these chemicals has been through ingestion, but may have also occurred through inhalation and/or dermal contact. Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to the identified chemicals. The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product's label. Each of the Violators violated Proposition 65 because they failed to provide an appropriate warning to persons using and/or handling these products that they are being exposed to the identified chemicals. Each of these ongoing violations has occurred on every day since March 25, 2011 as well as every day since the products were introduced in the California marketplace, and will continue every day until clear and reasonable warnings are provided to product purchasers and users.

Pursuant to Section 25249.7(d) of the statute, ERC intends to file a citizen enforcement action sixty days after effective service of this notice unless each of the Violators agrees in an enforceable written instrument to: (1) reformulate the listed products so as to eliminate further exposures to the identified chemicals; and (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty. Consistent with the public interest goals of Proposition 65 and my client's objectives in pursuing this notice, ERC is interested in seeking a constructive resolution to this matter. Such resolution will avoid both further unwarned consumer exposures to the identified chemicals and expensive and time consuming litigation.

ERC's address 5694 Mission Center Road #199, San Diego, CA 92108; Tel. (619) 309-4194. However, ERC has retained me in connection with this matter, and all communications regarding this Notice of Violations should be directed to my attention at the above listed law office address and telephone number.

Sincerely,

Philip T. Emmons, Esq.

cc: Karen Evans

Attachments

Certificate of Merit Certificate of Service

OEHHA Summary (to Promax Nutrition Corporation and its Registered Agent for Service of Process only) Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to AG only)

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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Re: Environmental Research Center's Notice of Proposition 65 Violations by Promax Nutrition Corporation

I, Philip T. Emmons, declare:

- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is alleged the party identified in the notice violated California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- 2. I am an attorney for the noticing party.
- 3. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who have reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the notice.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through those consultants, and on 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 plaintiff's case can be established and that the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- 5. Along with the copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General is attached additional factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in California Health & Safety Code §25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: March 25, 2011

Philip T. Emmons

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true and correct:

I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of 18 years of age, and am not a party to the within entitled action. My business address is 306 Joy Street, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia 30742

On March 25, 2011, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; "THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY" on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it in a US Postal Service Office for delivery by Certified Mail:

Current CEO or President Promax Nutrition Corporation 100 Bayview Circle, Suite 200 Newport Beach, CA 92660

CSC - Lawyers Incorporating Service (Promax Nutrition Corporation's Registered Agent for Service of Process) 2730 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95833

On March 25, 2011, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.7(d)(1) on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it in a US Postal Service Office for delivery by Certified Mail:

Office of the California Attorney General Prop 65 Enforcement Reporting 1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000 Post Office Box 70550 Oakland, CA 94612-0550

On March 25, 2011, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT on each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto, and depositing it with the U.S. Postal Service for delivery by Priority Mail.

Executed on March 25, 2011, in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Chris Heptinstall

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Service List

District Attorney, Alameda County 1225 Fallon Street, Room 900 Oakland, CA 94612

District Attorney, Alpine County P.O. Box 248 Markleeville, CA 96120

District Attorney, Amador County 708 Court Street, #202 Jackson, CA 95642

District Attorney, Butte County 25 County Center Drive Oroville, CA 95965

District Attorney, Calaveras County 891 Mountain Ranch Road San Andreas, CA 95249

District Attorney, Colusa County 547 Market Street Colusa, CA 95932

District Attorney, Contra Costa County 900 Ward Street Martinez, CA 94553

District Attorney, Del Norte County 450 H Street, Ste. 171 Crescent City, CA 95531

District Attorney, El Dorado County 515 Main Street Placerville, CA 95667

District Attorney, Fresno County 2220 Tulare Street, #1000 Fresno, CA 93721

District Attorney, Glenn County Post Office Box 430 Willows, CA 95988

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District Attorney, Lake County 255 N. Forbes Street Lakeport, CA 95453

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June 1, 2011

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

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VIA PRIORITY MAIL

District Attorneys of All California Counties and Select City Attorneys (See Attached Certificate of Service)

Re: Notice of Violations of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq.

Dear Addressees:

I represent the Environmental Research Center ("ERC") in connection with this Notice of Violations of California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, which is codified at California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq. and also referred to as Proposition 65.

ERC is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes, helping safeguard the public from health hazards by bringing about a reduction in the use and misuse of hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and encouraging corporate responsibility.

The name of the Company covered by this notice that violated Proposition 65 (hereinafter "the Violators") is:

Promax Nutrition Corporation

The product that is the subject of this notice and the chemical in that product identified as exceeding allowable levels is:

Promax Nutrition Corp. Energy Bar German Chocolate Cake - Lead

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On February 27, 1987, the State of California officially listed lead as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male and female reproductive toxicity. On October 1, 1992, the State of California officially listed lead and lead compounds as chemicals known to cause cancer.

This letter is a notice to each of the Violators and the appropriate governmental authorities of the Proposition 65 violations concerning the listed products. This notice covers all violations of Proposition 65 involving the Violators currently known to ERC from the information now available. ERC may continue to investigate other products that may reveal further violations. A summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, is enclosed with the copy of this letter to each of the Violators.

Each of the Violators has manufactured, marketed, distributed, and/or sold the listed products, which have exposed and continue to expose numerous individuals within California to the identified chemicals. The consumer exposures that are the subject of this notice result from the purchase, acquisition, handling and/or recommended use of these products by consumers. The primary route of exposure to these chemicals has been through ingestion, but may have also occurred through inhalation and/or dermal contact. Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to the identified chemicals. The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product's label. Each of the Violators violated Proposition 65 because they failed to provide an appropriate warning to persons using and/or handling these products that they are being exposed to the identified chemicals. Each of these ongoing violations has occurred on every day since June 1, 2008 as well as every day since the products were introduced in the California marketplace, and will continue every day until clear and reasonable warnings are provided to product purchasers and users.

Pursuant to Section 25249.7(d) of the statute, ERC intends to file a citizen enforcement action sixty days after effective service of this notice unless each of the Violators agrees in an enforceable written instrument to: (1) reformulate the listed products so as to eliminate further exposures to the identified chemicals; and (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty. Consistent with the public interest goals of Proposition 65 and my client's objectives in pursuing this notice, ERC is interested in seeking a constructive resolution to this matter. Such resolution will avoid both further unwarned consumer exposures to the identified chemicals and expensive and time consuming litigation.

ERC's address 5694 Mission Center Road #199, San Diego, CA 92108; Tel. (619) 309-4194. ERC's Executive Director is Chris Heptinstall. However, ERC has retained me in connection with this matter, and all communications regarding this Notice of Violations should be directed to my attention at the above listed law office address and telephone number.

Sincerely,

Philip T. Emmons, Esq.

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cc: Karen Evans

Attachments

Certificate of Merit
Certificate of Service
OEHHA Summary (to Promax Nutrition Corporation and its Registered Agent for Service
of Process only)
Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to AG only)

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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Re: Environmental Research Center's Notice of Proposition 65 Violations by Promax Nutrition Corporation

I, Philip T. Emmons, declare:

- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is alleged the party identified in the notice violated California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- 2. I am an attorney for the noticing party.
- 3. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who have reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the notice.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through those consultants, and on 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 plaintiff's case can be established and that the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- 5. Along with the copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General is attached additional factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in California Health & Safety Code §25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

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Dated: June 1, 2011

Philip T. Emmons

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true and correct:

I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of 18 years of age, and am not a party to the within entitled action. My business address is 306 Joy Street, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia 30742

On June 1, 2011, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; "THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY" on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it in a US Postal Service Office for delivery by Certified Mail:

Current CEO or President Promax Nutrition Corporation 100 Bayview Circle, Suite 200 Newport Beach, CA 92660 CSC - Lawyers Incorporating Service (Promax Nutrition Corporation's Registered Agent for Service of Process) 2730 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95833

On June 1, 2011, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.7(d)(1) on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it in a US Postal Service Office for delivery by Certified Mail:

Office of the California Attorney General Prop 65 Enforcement Reporting 1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000 Post Office Box 70550 Oakland, CA 94612-0550

On June 1, 2011, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT on each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a scaled envelope, addressed to each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto, and depositing it with the U.S. Postal Service for delivery by Priority Mail.

Executed on June 1, 2011, in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Chris Heptinstall

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