

1 products made with ginger that is processed with sugar or a sugar substitute (“Covered Products”)
2 that are sold or offered for sale by Settling Defendant.

3 1.2 On October 8, 2012, CEH served a 60-day Notice of Violation under Proposition
4 65, alleging that Settling Defendant violated Proposition 65 by exposing persons to lead and lead
5 compounds (“Lead”) contained in Covered Products without first providing a clear and reasonable
6 Proposition 65 warning.

7 1.3 The Settling Defendant is a corporation that sells or offers for sale Covered
8 Products that are offered for sale in the State of California or has done so in the past.

9 1.4 On November 27, 2012, CEH filed the original Complaint in this matter. On
10 December 20, 2012, CEH filed the operative First Amended Complaint in this matter. The First
11 Amended Complaint has since been amended to add additional named defendants.

12 1.5 For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, CEH and Settling Defendant (the
13 “Parties”) stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over the allegations of violations contained in
14 the Complaint and personal jurisdiction over Settling Defendant as to the acts alleged in the
15 Complaint, that venue is proper in the County of San Francisco, and that this Court has
16 jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment as a full and final resolution of all claims which were
17 or could have been raised in the Complaint based on the facts alleged therein with respect to
18 Covered Products sold by Settling Defendant.

19 1.6 Nothing in this Consent Judgment is or shall be construed as an admission by the
20 Parties of any fact, conclusion of law, issue of law or violation of law, nor shall compliance with
21 the Consent Judgment constitute or be construed as an admission by the Parties of any fact,
22 conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation of law except as expressly stated herein. Nothing in
23 this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive or impair any right, remedy, argument or defense the
24 Parties may have in any other pending or future legal proceedings. This Consent Judgment is the
25 product of negotiation and compromise and is accepted by the Parties solely for purposes of
26 settling, compromising, and resolving issues disputed in this Action.

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1 **2. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF**

2 **2.1 Specification Compliance Date.** To the extent it has not already done so, no more
3 than fifteen (15) days after the date of entry of this Consent Judgment (“Effective Date”), Settling
4 Defendant shall provide the reformulation specification set forth in Section 2.2 to each of its
5 Covered Products suppliers and shall instruct each such Covered Products supplier to provide it
6 with Covered Products that comply with the reformulation specification set forth in Section 2.2. If
7 in the future Settling Defendant purchases Covered Products from a new third party that it has not
8 previously provided with instructions regarding the reformulation specification set forth in Section
9 2.2, Settling Defendant shall provide the reformulation specification set forth in Section 2.2 prior
10 to placing an initial order for Covered Products and instruct the new Covered Products supplier to
11 provide it with Covered Products that comply with the reformulation specification set in Section
12 2.2. Settling Defendant shall retain records of communications sent to and received from
13 suppliers that are related to the requirement of this Section 2.1 for a period of five years from the
14 Effective Date.

15 **2.2 Reformulation of Covered Products.** After the Effective Date, Settling
16 Defendant shall not purchase, manufacture, ship, sell or offer for sale any Covered Product that
17 will be sold or offered for sale in California that contains a concentration of more than seventeen
18 (17) parts per billion (“ppb”) Lead by weight, such concentration to be determined by use of a test
19 performed by an accredited laboratory using inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-
20 MS) equipment with a level of detection of at least ten (10) ppb that meets standard laboratory
21 QA/QC requirements (the “Reformulation Level”).

22 **3. ENFORCEMENT**

23 **3.1 Enforcement Procedures.** Prior to bringing any motion or order to show cause to
24 enforce the terms of this Consent Judgment, a Party seeking to enforce shall provide the violating
25 party thirty (30) days advanced written notice of the alleged violation. The Parties shall meet and
26 confer during such thirty (30) day period, exchanging any relevant information, in an effort to try
27 to reach agreement on an appropriate cure for the alleged violation absent Court intervention.

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1 After such thirty (30) day period, the Party seeking to enforce may, by new action, motion or order
2 to show cause before the Superior Court of San Francisco, seek to enforce the terms and
3 conditions contained in this Consent Judgment.

4 **4. PAYMENTS**

5 4.1 **Payments by Settling Defendant.** The parties acknowledge that Settling
6 Defendant has paid a total of \$15,000 to CEH and that such funds are being held in the Lexington
7 Law Group Attorney Client Trust Account.

8 4.2 **Allocation of Payments.** On or after the Effective Date, the funds paid by Settling
9 Defendant shall be allocated and distributed as set forth below between the following:

10 4.2.1 A civil penalty pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b) in the
11 amount of \$1,900. The civil penalty payment shall be apportioned in accordance with Health &
12 Safety Code § 25249.12 (25% to CEH and 75% to the State of California's Office of
13 Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA")). Accordingly, the OEHHA portion of the
14 civil penalty payment in the amount of \$1,425 shall be made payable to OEHHA and associated
15 with taxpayer identification number 68-0284486. This payment shall be delivered as follows:

16 For United States Postal Service Delivery:

17 Attn: Mike Gyurics
18 Fiscal Operations Branch Chief
19 Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
20 P.O. Box 4010, MS #19B
21 Sacramento, CA 95812-4010

22 For Non-United States Postal Service Delivery:

23 Attn: Mike Gyurics
24 Fiscal Operations Branch Chief
25 Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
26 1001 I Street, MS #19B
27 Sacramento, CA 95814

28 The CEH portion of the civil penalty payment in the amount of \$475 shall be made
payable to the Center For Environmental Health and associated with taxpayer identification
number 94-3251981.

1 4.2.2 A payment in lieu of civil penalty to CEH pursuant to Health & Safety
2 Code § 25249.7(b), and California Code of Regulations, Title 11, § 3203(b) in the amount of
3 \$2,900. CEH shall use such funds to continue its work educating and protecting people from
4 exposures to toxic chemicals, including heavy metals. In addition, as part of its Community
5 Environmental Action and Justice Fund, CEH will use four percent of such funds to award grants
6 to grassroots environmental justice groups working to educate and protect people from exposures
7 to toxic chemicals. The method of selection of such groups can be found at the CEH web site at
8 www.ceh.org/justicefund. The payment pursuant to this Section shall be made payable to the
9 Center For Environmental Health, associated with taxpayer identification number 94-3251981.

10 4.2.3 A reimbursement of a portion of CEH's reasonable attorneys' fees and
11 costs in the amount of \$10,200. The attorneys' fees and cost reimbursement check shall be
12 distributed to the Lexington Law Group.

13 **5. MODIFICATION AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

14 5.1 **Modification.** This Consent Judgment may be modified from time to time by
15 express written agreement of the Parties, with the approval of the Court, or by an order of this
16 Court upon motion and in accordance with law.

17 5.2 **Notice; Meet and Confer.** Any Party seeking to modify this Consent Judgment
18 shall attempt in good faith to meet and confer with all affected Parties prior to filing a motion to
19 modify the Consent Judgment.

20 **6. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASE**

21 6.1 This Consent Judgment is a full, final and binding resolution between CEH on
22 behalf of itself and the public interest and Settling Defendant, and its parents, subsidiaries,
23 affiliated entities that are under common ownership, predecessors, successors and assigns,
24 directors, officers, employees, and attorneys ("Defendant Releasees"), and all entities, other than
25 those listed on Exhibit A, to which Settling Defendant distributes or sells Covered Products,
26 including but not limited to distributors, wholesalers, customers, retailers, franchisees, licensors
27 and licensees ("Downstream Defendant Releasees"), of any violation of Proposition 65 based on
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1 failure to warn about alleged exposure to Lead contained in Covered Products that were sold by
2 Settling Defendant prior to the Effective Date.

3 6.2 CEH, for itself releases, waives, and forever discharges any and all claims against
4 Settling Defendant, Defendant Releasees, and Downstream Defendant Releasees arising from any
5 violation of Proposition 65 or any other statutory or common law claims that have been or could
6 have been asserted in the public interest regarding the failure to warn about exposure to Lead
7 arising in connection with Covered Products sold by Settling Defendant prior to the Effective
8 Date.

9 6.3 Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment by Settling Defendant and
10 Defendant Releasees shall constitute compliance with Proposition 65 by Settling Defendant,
11 Defendant Releasees and that Downstream Defendant Releasees with respect to any alleged
12 failure to warn about Lead in Covered Products sold by Settling Defendant after the Effective
13 Date.

14 7. PROVISION OF NOTICE

15 7.1 When CEH is entitled to receive any notice under this Consent Judgment, the
16 notice shall be sent by first class and electronic mail to:

17 Eric S. Somers
18 Lexington Law Group
19 503 Divisadero Street
20 San Francisco, CA 94117
21 esomers@lexlawgroup.com

22 7.2 When Settling Defendant is entitled to receive any notice under this Consent
23 Judgment, the notice shall be sent by first class and electronic mail to:

24 Francis S. Ryu, Esq.
25 RYU LAW FIRM
26 5900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 2250
27 Los Angeles, California 90036
28 francis@ryulaw.com

7.3 Any Party may modify the person and address to whom the notice is to be sent by
sending the other Party notice by first class and electronic mail.

8. COURT APPROVAL

1 8.1 This Consent Judgment shall become effective on the Effective Date, provided
2 however, that CEH shall prepare and file a Motion for Approval of this Consent Judgment and
3 Settling Defendant shall support approval of such Motion.

4 8.2 If this Consent Judgment is not entered by the Court, it shall be of no force or effect
5 and shall not be introduced into evidence or otherwise used in any proceeding for any purpose.

6 **9. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION**

7 9.1 The terms of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by the laws of the State of
8 California.

9 **10. ATTORNEYS' FEES**

10 10.1 A Party who unsuccessfully brings or contests an action arising out of this Consent
11 Judgment shall be required to pay the prevailing Party's reasonable attorneys' fees and costs
12 unless the unsuccessful Party has acted with substantial justification. For purposes of this Consent
13 Judgment, the term substantial justification shall carry the same meaning as used in the Civil
14 Discovery Act of 1986, Code of Civil Procedure §§ 2016.010, *et seq.*

15 10.2 Notwithstanding Section 10.1, a Party who prevails in a contested enforcement
16 action brought pursuant to Section 3 may seek an award of attorneys' fees pursuant to Code of
17 Civil Procedure §1021.5 against a Party that acted with substantial justification. The Party
18 seeking such an award shall bear the burden of meeting all of the elements of §1021.5, and this
19 provision shall not be construed as altering any procedural or substantive requirements for
20 obtaining such an award.

21 10.3 Nothing in this Section 10 shall preclude a party from seeking an award of
22 sanctions pursuant to law.

23 **11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

24 11.1 This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding
25 of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter hereof, and any and all prior discussions,
26 negotiations, commitments, or understandings related thereto, if any, are hereby merged herein
27 and therein. There are no warranties, representations, or other agreements between the Parties

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1 except as expressly set forth herein. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied,
2 other than those specifically referred to in this Consent Judgment have been made by any Party
3 hereto. No other agreements not specifically contained or referenced herein, oral or otherwise,
4 shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the Parties hereto. Any agreements specifically
5 contained or referenced herein, oral or otherwise, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the
6 Parties hereto only to the extent that they are expressly incorporated herein. No supplementation,
7 modification, waiver, or termination of this Consent Judgment shall be binding unless executed in
8 writing by the Party to be bound thereby. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Consent
9 Judgment shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any of the other provisions hereof
10 whether or not similar, nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver.

11 **12. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION**

12 12.1 This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to implement or modify the
13 Consent Judgment.

14 **13. AUTHORITY TO STIPULATE TO CONSENT JUDGMENT**

15 13.1 Each signatory to this Consent Judgment certifies that he or she is fully authorized
16 by the Party he or she represents to stipulate to this Consent Judgment and to enter into and
17 execute the Consent Judgment on behalf of the Party represented and legally to bind that Party.

18 **14. NO EFFECT ON OTHER SETTLEMENTS**

19 14.1 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall preclude CEH from resolving any claim
20 against an entity that is not Settling Defendant on terms that are different than those contained in
21 this Consent Judgment.

22 **15. EXECUTION IN COUNTERPARTS**

23 15.1 The stipulations to this Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts and by
24 means of facsimile or portable document format (pdf), which taken together shall be deemed to
25 constitute one document.

26 **IT IS SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED,
27 AND DECREED**

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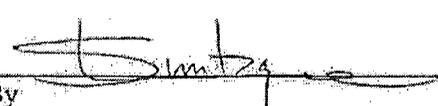
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EXHIBIT A
(LIST OF ENTITIES NOT SUBJECT
TO DOWNSTREAM DEFENDANT RELEASE)

- ACH Food Companies, Inc.
- Albertson's LLC
- Amazon.com, Inc.
- American Roland Food Corporation
- B & V Enterprises, Inc.
- Blue Marble Brands, LLC
- Brinkhoff & Monoson, Inc.
- The C.F. Sauer Company
- Cost Plus, Inc.
- Dakota Brothers, Inc.
- Draeger's Super Markets
- Food Market Management, Inc.
- Foodnet Supermarket, Inc.
- Fresh & Easy LLC fka Y-Opco LLC
- Food Castle, Inc.
- Frieda's, Inc.
- Frontier Distribution LLC
- Frontier Natural Products Co-op
- Garden Grove Superstore Inc.
- Gelson's Markets
- Goldstar Supermarket
- Hosada Bros. Inc.
- Island Pacific Supermarkets, Inc.
- JFC International Inc.

- 1 Kam Lee Yuen Trading Co., Inc.
- 2 KeHE Distributors, LLC
- 3 KeHE Enterprises, LLC
- 4 KeHE Distributors, Inc.
- 5 Longchamp Corporation dba Lion Supermarket
- 6 Marra Bros. Dist., Inc.
- 7 McCormick & Company, Incorporated
- 8 Mrs. Gooch's Natural Food Markets, Inc.
- 9 PANOS Brands, LLC
- 10 Reed's, Inc.
- 11 Safeway Inc.
- 12 San Pablo Supermarket, Inc.
- 13 Save Mart Supermarkets
- 14 Shun Fat Supermarket, Inc.
- 15 Sincerely Nuts, Inc.
- 16 The Spice Hunter, Inc.
- 17 Sunflower Farmers Markets, LLC
- 18 Target Corporation
- 19 Tawa Supermarket, Inc.
- 20 Torn & Glasser, Inc.
- 21 Trader Joe's Company
- 22 Unbeatable Sale. Com Inc.
- 23 United Natural Foods, Inc.
- 24 United Natural Trading, LLC
- 25 Vanns Spices Ltd.
- 26 The Von's Companies, Inc.
- 27 Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

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Walmart.com USA LLC
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CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC SERVICE
(CCP 1010.6(6) & CRC 2.260(g))

I, DANIAL LEMIRE, a Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court of the County of San Francisco, certify that I am not a party to the within action.

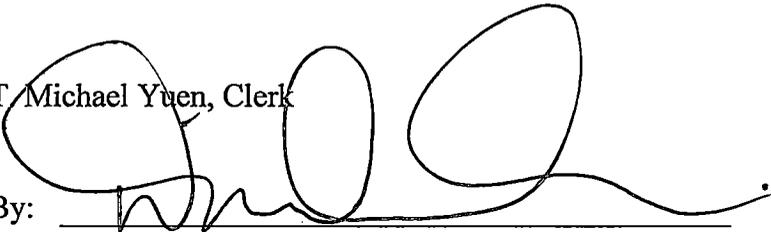
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JUN 10 2016

T/ Michael Yuen, Clerk

By:



DANIAL LEMIRE, Deputy Clerk