Christopher C. Moscone, State Bar No. 170250 1 Steven L. Iriki, State Bar No. 142533 Jordan M. Otis, State Bar No. 276274 2 Superior Court of California County of San Francisco MOSCONE EMBLIDGE & OTIS LLP 220 Montgomery Street, Suite 2100 3 San Francisco, CA 94104 MAY 1 2 2015 4 Telephone: (415) 362-3599 CLERK OF THE COURT Facsimile: (415) 362-2006 5 Clifford A. Chanler, State Bar No. 135534 Deputy Clerk б THE CHANLER GROUP 7 2560 Ninth Street Parker Plaza, Suite 214 8 Berkeley, CA 94710 Telephone: (510) 848-8880 9 Facsimile: (510) 848-8118 10 Attorneys for Plaintiff ANTHÔNY E. HELD, PhD., P.E. 11 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 12 COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO - UNLIMITED CIVIL JURISDICTION 13 14 ANTHONY E. HELD, PhD., P.E., Case No. CGC-14-538674 Plaintiff, HR. 15 [PROPOSED] JUDGMENT PURSUANT TO TERMS OF PROPOSITION 65 16 ٧. SETTLEMENT AND CONSENT JUDGMENT AS TO PACIFIC TRADE 17 PACIFIC TRADE INTERNATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND TARGET INC.; TARGET CORPORATION; and CORPORATION 18 DOES 1 -20, inclusive, Date: May 6, 2015 19 Defendants. Time: 9:30 a.m. **Dept: 302** 20 Reservation No.: 030415-11 21 22 23 24 25 26

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1	In the above-entitled action, plaintiff Anthony E. Held, PhD., P.E. and defendants Pacific		
2	Trade International, Inc. and Target Corporation having agreed through their respective counsel		
3	that Judgment be entered pursuant to the terms of their settlement agreement in the form of a		
4	[Proposed] Consent Judgment ("Consent Judgment"), and following this Court's issuance of an		
5	Order approving this Proposition 65 settlement and Consent Judgment on		
6	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that, pursuant to California		
7	Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(f)(4) and California Code of Civil Procedure § 664.6, Judgmen		
8	is entered in accordance with the terms of the Consent Judgment attached hereto as Exhibit A.		
9	By stipulation of the parties, the Court will retain jurisdiction to enforce the settlement under		
10	Code of Civil Procedure § 664.6.		
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12	IT IS SO ORDERED.		
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Exhibit A

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11	ANTHONY E. HELD, PhD., P.E.		
12	SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
13	COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO - UNLIMITED CIVIL JURISDICTION		
14	ANTHONY E. HELD, PhD., P.E.,	Case No. CGC-14-538674	
15	Plaintiff,	[PROPOSED] CONSENT JUDGMENT	
16	v.	(Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 et seq.)	
17 18	PACIFIC TRADE INTERNATIONAL, INC.; TARGET CORPORATION; and DOES 1 -20, inclusive,	(110min & oldoly Code y 25243.0 et seq.)	
19	Defendants.		
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21	1. INTRODUCTION		
22	1.1 Parties		
23	This Consent Judgment is entered into by and between plaintiff, Anthony E. Held		
24	("Held") and defendant Pacific Trade International, Inc. ("Pacific"), with Held and Pacific each		
25	individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."		
26	1.2 Plaintiff		
27	Held is an individual residing in California who seeks to promote awareness of exposures		
28	to toxic chemicals and improve human health by reducing or eliminating hazardous substances		
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Pacific and Target Corporation ("Target") (Pacific and Target are collectively the "Defendants") each employ ten or more persons and each is a "person in the course of doing business" for purposes of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 et seq. ("Proposition 65").

1.4 General Allegations

Defendants

Held alleges that Defendants sold reed diffusers and glass candle holders with exterior designs containing lead without first providing the exposure warning required by Proposition 65. Lead is listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

1.5 Product Description

The products that are covered by this Consent Judgment are: 1) reed diffusers containing lead that are imported, manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale by Pacific and/or Target in California including, but not limited to, Pure and Natural Lemongrass Eucalyptus Reed Diffuser, #054 09 1965, UPC #7 54870 52452 3, and Pure and Natural Fig & Redwood Reed Diffuser, #054 09 0770, UPC #7 54870 79179 6 (the "Initial Noticed Products"); and 2) glass candle holders with exterior designs containing lead that are imported, manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale by Pacific and/or Target in California including, but not limited to, Pure Natural Chesapeake Bay Candle Lemongrass Eucalyptus, Item/Model No. 054 09 1239; B13063, UPC 7 54870 75577 4, and Pure Natural Chesapeake Bay Candle Salt Water Orchid, Item/Model No. B13238; 054 09 1238, UPC 7 54870 75579 8. The products described in clause 2 in the immediately preceding sentence are collectively referred to as the "Subsequent Noticed Products," and together with the Initial Noticed Products are collectively referred to as the "Products."

1.6 Notice of Violation

On or about October 25, 2013, Held served Pacific, Target and certain requisite public enforcement agencies with a 60-Day Notice of Violation (the "Notice") alleging that Defendants

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were in violation of Proposition 65 for failing to warn their customers and consumers in California that the Initial Noticed Products expose users to lead. On or about November 25, 2014, Held served Pacific, Target and certain requisite public enforcement agencies with a Supplemental 60-Day Notice of Violation (the "Supplemental Notice," collectively with the Notice, the "Notices") alleging that Defendants were in violation of Proposition 65 for failing to warn their customers and consumers in California that the Subsequent Noticed Products expose users to lead.

1.7 Complaint

On April 15, 2014, Held filed the instant action (as amended by the First Amended Complaint filed May 22, 2014, the "Complaint"), which Complaint names Pacific and Target as defendants for the alleged violations of Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 that are the subject of the Notice. Following the expiration of the sixty-day notice period following Plaintiff's service of the Supplemental Notice, and upon entry of this Consent Judgment, the Complaint shall be deemed amended *nunc pro tunc* to include all Products sold, manufactured or distributed by Pacific and/or Target in California and the violations alleged in the Supplemental Notice, provided that, as of the expiration of the sixty-day notice period following Plaintiff's service of the Supplemental Notice, no public enforcer has diligently prosecuted any of the allegations set forth in the Supplemental Notice.

1.8 No Admission

Defendants deny the material, factual, and legal allegations contained in the Notice, the Supplemental Notice, and the Complaint, and maintain that all of their products sold and distributed for sale in California, including the Products, have been, and are, in compliance with all applicable laws. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission of any fact, finding, conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation of law, nor shall compliance with this Consent Judgment constitute or be construed as an admission of any fact, finding, conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation of law. This Section 1.8 shall not, however, diminish or otherwise affect Pacific's obligations, responsibilities, and duties under this Consent Judgment.

1.9 Jurisdiction

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For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over Defendants as to the allegations in the Complaint, that venue is proper in San Francisco County, and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter and enforce the provisions of this Consent Judgment.

1.10 **Effective Date**

For purposes of this Consent Judgment, the term "Effective Date" means the date on which this Consent Judgment is approved by the Court.

2. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF: REFORMULATION AND WARNINGS

2.1 Reformulated Products

Commencing on December 15, 2014, and continuing thereafter, Pacific shall only purchase for sale, manufacture for sale, or distribute for sale in California "Reformulated Products." For purposes of this Consent Judgment, "Reformulated Products" are defined as Products that: (a) contain a maximum of 90 parts per million lead by weight in any accessible component (i.e., any part, feature or aspect of a Product that may be touched during use) analyzed pursuant to EPA testing methodologies 3050B and 6010B; and (b) yield a result no more that of 1.0 micrograms lead when sampled according to the NIOSH 9100 testing protocol, and analyzed pursuant to EPA Test Methods 3050B and 6010B. In addition to the EPA test methods authorized above, the Parties may utilize equivalent methodologies employed by state or federal agencies to determine lead content in a solid substance.

2.2 Warnings on Products in Inventory

Notwithstanding Section 2.1 above, commencing on January 1, 2015, Pacific shall ensure that any and all Products that are not Reformulated Products as defined in paragraph 2.1, supra, that are in, or manufactured and en route to, Defendants' inventory as of January 1, 2015 that Defendants reasonably believe may be sold or distributed for sale in California, shall contain the following clear and reasonable warning placed on the packaging for the Product: "WARNING: This product contains lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects and other reproductive harm." Each warning in the preceding sentence shall be prominently placed with such conspicuousness as compared with other words, statements, designs, or devices as to

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render it likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions before purchase, and each such warning shall be provided in a manner such that the consumer or user understands to which specific Product the warning applies, so as to minimize the risk of consumer confusion.

3. MONETARY SETTLEMENT TERMS

Payments Pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b) 3.1

In settlement of all the claims referred to in this Consent Judgment, Pacific has been assessed a cumulative total of \$26,000 in civil penalties. Each civil penalty payment shall be allocated according to Health and Safety Code section 25249.12(c)(1) and (d) with seventy-five percent (75%) of the funds paid to the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and twenty-five percent (25%) of the funds remitted to Held. All civil penalty payments shall be delivered to the payment addresses provided in Section 3.3.1.

3.1.1 Initial Civil Penalty

Within five (5) business days after the Effective Date, Pacific shall make an initial civil penalty payment of \$11,000. Pacific shall provide the initial payment in two checks for the following amounts made payable to: (a) "OEHHA" in the amount of \$9,750 and (b) "Anthony Held, Client Trust Account" in the amount of \$3,250.

3.1.2 Final Civil Penalty

On or before five (5) business days after the Effective Date, Pacific shall make a final civil penalty payment of \$15,000. Pacific shall provide the final civil penalty payment in two checks for the following amounts made payable to: (a) "OEHHA" in the amount of \$11,250; and (b) "Anthony Held, Client Trust Account" in the amount of \$3,750.

3.1.3 Partial Penalty Waivers

Pursuant to title 11 California Code of Regulations, section 3203(c), (a) \$7,500 of the final civil penalty payment shall be waived if, no later than February 27, 2015, an officer of Pacific provides Held with written certification that, as of that date, all of the Products sold or distributed for sale in California by Defendants are Reformulated Products, and that Defendants will continue to offer only Reformulated Products in California; and (b) an additional \$7,500 of CONSENT JUDGMENT Case No.: CGC-14-538674

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the final civil penalty payment shall be waived if, no later than February 27, 2015, an officer of Pacific provides Held with written certification that Defendants have complied with the requirements of Section 2.2 of this Consent Judgment. The option to certify timely reformulation and compliance with warning labeling requirements in lieu of making the final civil penalty payment required by this Section 3.1.3 is a material term, and time is of the essence.

3.2 Reimbursement of Fees and Costs

The parties acknowledge that Held and his counsel offered to resolve this dispute without reaching terms on the amount of fees and costs to be reimbursed to them, thereby leaving the issue to be resolved after the material terms of this Consent Judgment had been settled. Shortly after the other settlement terms had been finalized Defendants expressed a desire to resolve the fee and cost issue. The Parties then attempted to (and did) reach an accord on the compensation due to Held and his counsel under general contract principles and the private attorney general doctrine codified at California Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5 for all work performed through the mutual execution of this Consent Judgment. Specifically, Pacific shall pay a cumulative total of \$42,000 for the fees and costs incurred by Held in investigating and bringing this matter to Defendants' attention, preparing and filing a complaint and negotiating a settlement in the public interest. Pacific shall pay the full payment required under this Section 3.2 to Plaintiff's counsel "in trust" no later than the Effective Date. Such funds shall be released and paid in accordance with the payment procedures set forth below in Section 3.3 within two (2) days after the Effective Date.

3.3 **Payment Procedures**

3.3.1 Payment Addresses

All payments and tax documentation for Held and his counsel (a) shall be delivered to:

> Moscone Emblide Sater & Otis LLP Attn: Proposition 65 Controller 220 Montgomery Street, Suite 2100 San Francisco, CA 94104

(b) All payments to OEHHA, shall be delivered directly to OEHHA (Memo

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For United States Postal Service Delivery:

Mike Gyurics
Fiscal Operations Branch Chief
Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
P.O. Box 4010
Sacramento, CA 95812-4010

For Non-United States Postal Service Delivery or Courier:

Mike Gyurics Fiscal Operations Branch Chief Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95812-4010

with a copy of the checks payable to OEHHA mailed to the payment address provided in section 3.3.1(a), as proof of payment to OEHHA.

4. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED

4.1 Held's Public Release of Proposition 65 Claims

Held, acting on his own behalf and in the public interest, releases Defendants and their parents, subsidiaries, affiliated entities under common ownership, directors, officers, employees, and attorneys ("Releasees") and each entity to whom they directly or indirectly distribute or sell the Products, including but not limited to its downstream distributors, wholesalers, customers, retailers, franchisers, cooperative members, licensors and licensees ("Downstream Releasees") for any violations arising under Proposition 65 for unwarned exposures to lead from the Products sold by Pacific and Target prior to the Effective Datc, as set forth in the Notices. Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment constitutes compliance with Proposition 65 with respect to exposures to lead from the Products. Plaintiff agrees that any and all claims in the Complaint are resolved by this Consent Judgment.

4.2 Held's Individual Release of Claims

Held, in his individual capacity only and *not* in his representative capacity, also provides a release to Pacific, Target, Releasees, and Downstream Releasees which shall be effective as a full and final accord and satisfaction, as a bar to all actions, causes of action, obligations, costs, expenses, attorneys' fees, damages, losses, claims, liabilities and demands of Held of any nature,

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character or kind, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, arising out of alleged or actual exposures to lead in the Products sold or distributed for sale by Pacific and/or Target before the Effective Date.

4.3 Pacific's Release of Held

Pacific, on its own behalf, and on behalf of its past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, successors, and assignees, hereby waives any and all claims against Held and his attorneys and other representatives, for any and all actions taken or statements made by Held and his attorneys and other representatives, whether in the course of investigating claims, otherwise seeking to enforce Proposition 65 against them in this matter, or with respect to the Products.

4.4 Section 1542 Release

Held, in his individual capacity only and *not* in his representative capacity, and Pacific, by signature of this Consent Judgment, hereby waives any rights as set forth in paragraphs 4.1, 4.2, or 4.3 above under California Civil Code Section 1542 with full knowledge and intent of doing so. California Civil Code Section 1542 states:

"1542. A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor."

5. <u>COURT APPROVAL</u>

This Consent Judgment is not effective until it is approved and entered by the Court and shall be null and void if, for any reason, it is not approved and entered by the Court within one year after it has been fully executed by the Parties.

The Parties acknowledge that, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(f), a noticed motion is required for judicial approval of this Consent Judgment, which motion Held shall draft and file and Pacific shall support, appearing at the hearing if so requested. In furtherance of obtaining such approval, Held and Pacific agree to mutually employ their best efforts, and that of their counsel, to support the entry of this agreement as judgment, and to obtain judicial approval of their settlement in a timely manner. For purposes of this

Section, "best efforts" shall include, at a minimum, cooperating on the drafting and filing of the necessary moving papers and supporting the motion for judicial approval. If any third-party objection to the motion is filed, Held and Pacific agree to work together to file a response and appear at any hearing. This provision is a material component of the Consent Judgment and shall be treated as such in the event of a breach.

If the Court does not approve the Consent Judgment, the Parties agree to meet and confer as to whether to modify the language or appeal the ruling. If the Parties do not jointly agree on a course of action to take, then the case shall proceed in its normal course on the Court's trial calendar. If the Court's approval is ultimately overturned by an appellate court, the Parties shall meet and confer as to whether to modify the terms of this Consent Judgment. If the Parties do not jointly agree on a course of action to take, then the case shall proceed in its normal course on the Court's trial calendar.

6. **SEVERABILITY**

If, subsequent to the Court's approval and entry of this Consent Judgment as a judgment, any provision is held by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be adversely affected.

7. GOVERNING LAW

The terms of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by the laws of the state of California and apply within the state of California. In the event that Proposition 65 is repealed, preempted, or is otherwise rendered inapplicable by reason of law generally, or as to the Products, then Pacific may provide written notice to Held of any asserted change in the law, and shall have no further obligations pursuant to this Consent Judgment with respect to, and to the extent that, the Products are so affected. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be interpreted to relieve Pacific and/or Target from any obligation to comply with any pertinent state or federal toxics control laws.

8. NOTICE

Unless specified herein, all correspondence and notice required by this Consent Judgment shall be in writing and sent by: (i) personal delivery; (ii) first-class, registered, or certified mail, return receipt requested; or (iii) a recognized overnight courier to the following addresses:

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Ms. Mei Xu President Pacific Trade International, Inc. 5515 Security Lane, Suite 1100 Rockville, MD 20852

with a copy to:

Chris M. Amantea, Esq. Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP 555 South Flower St., 31st Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071

For Held:

Moscone Emblide Sater & Otis LLP Attn: Proposition 65 Controller 220 Montgomery Street, Suite 2100 San Francisco, CA 94104

Any Party may, from time to time, specify in writing to the other Party a change of address to which all notices and other communications shall be sent.

9. <u>COUNTERPARTS: FACSIMILE SIGNATURES</u>

This Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts and by facsimile or portable document format (PDF) signature, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same document.

10. COMPLIANCE WITH REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Held agrees to comply with the reporting form requirements referenced in Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(f).

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11. MODIFICATION

This Consent Judgment may be modified only by: (i) a written agreement of the Parties and entry of a modified consent judgment by the Court thereon; or (ii) a successful motion or application of any Party, and the entry of a modified consent judgment by the Court.

12. <u>AUTHORIZATION</u>

The undersigned are authorized to execute this Consent Judgment and have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms and conditions contained herein.

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Date:

ANTHONY E. HELD

PACIFIC TRADE INTERNATIONAL, INC.

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Name: MEI XU
Title: CEO

By: February 11, 2015