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MARIN COUNTY SUFFEROR COURT Facsimile: (510) 848-8118 5 By: 7. Francisco, Deputy Attorneys for Plaintiff 6 ANTHONY E. HELD, PH.D., P.E. 7 8 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 9 **COUNTY OF MARIN** 10 UNLIMITED CIVIL JURISDICTION 11 12 ANTHONY E. HELD, PH.D., P.E., **LEAD CASE NO. CIV 1402798** 13 Plaintiff, Case No. CIV 1403766 14 v. [PROPOSED] JUDGMENT **PURSUANT TO TERMS OF** 15 DRUGSTORE.COM, INC., et al., **PROPOSITION 65 SETTLEMENT** AND CONSENT JUDGMENT AS TO 16 Defendants. **DEFENDANT PRODUCT QUEST** MANUFACTURING, LLC 17 Date: May 15, 2015 18 Time: 9 \_\_ p.m. Dept: E 19 Judge: Hon. Paul M. Haakenson 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

# **EXHIBIT A**

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13	Plaintiff,	) [PROPOSED] CONSENT JUDGMENT				
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### 1. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

### 1.1 Anthony E. Held, Ph.D., P.E. and Product Quest Manufacturing, LLC

This Consent Judgment is entered into by and between plaintiff Anthony E. Held, Ph.D., P.E. ("Held" or "Plaintiff") and defendant Product Quest Manufacturing, LLC ("Product Quest" or "Defendant") with Plaintiff and Defendant collectively referred herein to as the "parties."

### 1.2 Anthony E. Held, Ph.D., P.E.

Held is an individual residing in the State of California who states that he seeks to promote awareness of exposure to toxic chemicals and to improve human health by reducing or eliminating hazardous substances contained in consumer and commercial products.

## 1.3 Product Quest Manufacturing, LLC

Defendant employs ten or more persons and is a person in the course of doing business for purposes of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6, et seq. ("Proposition 65"):

## 1.4 General Allegations

Held alleges that Defendant manufactured, imported, distributed and/or sold in the State of California sunscreen containing benzophenone. Benzophenone is listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer. Defendant denies Held's allegations.

### 1.5 **Product Description**

The products that are covered by this Consent Judgment are defined as any and all sunscreen products containing any level of benzophenone no matter how packaged, labeled or branded, including, but not limited to, *Rite Aid Renewal Ultimate Sheer Sunscreen Lotion Broad Spectrum SPF 100, Item# 353723,UPC #0 11822 53723 0* and *TopCare Baby Sunscreen Stick, UPC #0 36800 36112 6* which are or at any time were: i) manufactured, designed, processed, formulated, packaged by or for Defendant; and ii) imported, distributed, marketed, advertised, sold and/or offered for sale in the State of California (hereinafter the "Products")

### 1.6 Notices of Violation

On June 20, 2014, Held served Product Quest Manufacturing, LLC, Topco Holdings, Inc., Topco Associates, LLC and others and various public enforcement agencies with documents entitled "60-Day Notice of Violation" that provided the recipients with notice that Product Quest, Topco Holdings, Inc. and Topco Associates, LLC were in violation of California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 for failing to warn consumers that their sunscreen allegedly exposed users in California to benzophenone ("Notice"). To the best of the Parties' knowledge, no public enforcer has commenced and is diligently prosecuting the allegations set forth in the Notice.

### 1.7 Complaints

On July 21, 2014, Held filed a complaint in the Superior Court in and for the County of Marin against Levlad, LLC, et al., Held v. Levlad, LLC, et al., Case No. CIV 1402798 (the "Lead Action"), alleging violations of California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6, based on the alleged exposures to benzophenone contained in certain sunscreen sold by Levlad, LLC, et al. in the State of California.

On August 4, 2014, Held filed a complaint in the Superior Court in and for the County of Marin against L'Oreal USA, Inc., et al., Held v. L'Oreal USA, Inc., et al., Case No. CIV 1402967 (the "L'Oreal Action"), alleging violations of California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6, based on the alleged exposures to benzophenone contained in certain sunscreen sold by L'Oreal USA, Inc., et al. in the State of California.

On October 3, 2014, Held filed a complaint in the Superior Court in and for the County of Marin against Product Quest Manufacturing, LLC, et al., *Held v. Drugstore.com, Inc., et al.*, Case No. CIV 1403766 (the "Complaint" or "Drugstore.com Action"), alleging violations of California Health and Safety Code § 25249.6, based on alleged exposures of benzophenone contained in certain sunscreen sold in the State of California.

On December 19, 2014, the Superior Court in and for the County of Marin ordered the Lead Action, L'Oreal Action and the Drugstore.com Action consolidated. The Lead Action, L'Oreal Action and the Drugstore.com Action shall hereinafter collectively be referred to as the "Action."

### 1.8 No Admission

Defendant denies the material, factual and legal allegations contained in Held's Notice and Complaint and maintains that all products that it has sold, manufactured, imported and/or distributed in California, including the Products, have been and are in compliance with all laws. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission by Defendant of any fact, finding, issue of law or violation of law, nor shall compliance with this Consent Judgment constitute or be construed as an admission by Defendant of any fact, finding, conclusion, issue of law or violation of law. However, this section shall not diminish or otherwise affect Defendant's obligations, responsibilities and duties under this Consent Judgment.

## 1.9 Consent to Jurisdiction

For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the parties stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over Defendant as to the allegations contained in the Complaint, that venue is proper in the County of Marin 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" shall mean August 31, 2015.

## 2. <u>INJUNCTIVE RELIEF: REFORMULATION AND WARNINGS</u>

### 2.1 Reformulation Standards

"Reformulated Products" are defined as those Products containing benzophenone: (i) in concentrations less than or equal to 12.5 parts per million ("ppm") when analyzed pursuant to a scientifically reliable application of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency testing methodologies 3580A and 8270C or any other scientifically reliable methodology for determining the benzophenone content in a substance of the form of the Products herein; or (ii) in the raw material octocrylene in less than or equal to 200 ppm when analyzed by scientifically appropriate methodology for determining the benzophenone content in the octocrylene used in the formulation of the Products herein. As a response to the receipt of the 60-Day Notice, Product Quest immediately contacted it's suppliers in an attempt to obtain octocrylene containing reduced amounts

of benzophenone, and as a result, Product Quest represents that as of the execution of this agreement, the Products it manufactures for sale within California (title passes in state) contain less than an average 6% octocrylene, which percentage results in less than 12.5 ppm of benzophenone in the finished Product.

## 2.2 Compliance

- A. Commencing on May 1, 2015, Product Quest shall only place new orders for the purchase of octocrylene containing less than or equal to 200 ppm of benzophenone for use in the manufacture of Products which are intended to be distributed or sold within California, or which Product Quest has reason to believe will be sold or distributed in California.
- B. Commencing on August 31, 2015, and continuing thereafter, Product Quest shall only manufacture, or cause to be manufactured, or order for distribution or sale in California, Products that qualify as Reformulated Products pursuant to Section 2.1 above.

## 2.3 Exemption of Pre-Existing Products

The reformulation standard set forth in Section 2.1 of this Consent Judgment applies to Products which are manufactured, marketed, sold, placed for sale, imported, advertised or distributed after, August 30, 2015.

## 3. <u>MONETARY PAYMENTS</u>

3.1 Civil Penalty Payment. Product Quest has been assessed civil penalties in the amount of \$78,750. The payment shall be allocated according to Health and Safety Code section 25249.12(c)(1) and (d), with 75% of the penalty amount paid to the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and the remaining 25% of the penalty paid to Held. Defendant shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$78,750 on or before the Effective Date. Defendant shall issue a check payable to "Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP" in the amount of \$78,750 to be held in trust by Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP. Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP shall provide The Chanler Group with written confirmation within five days of receipt that the funds have been deposited in a trust account. Within five business days of the date this Consent Judgment is approved by the Court, Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP shall issue a check made payable to "Anthony E. Held, Ph.D., P.E., Client Trust Account" in the amount

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of \$78,750. All penalty payments shall be delivered to the addresses listed in Section 3.3, below. Defendant shall be liable for payment of interest, at a rate of 10% simple interest, for all amounts due and owing under this Section that are not received within two business days of the due date.

### 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 this fee issue to be resolved after the material terms of the agreement had been settled. Held then expressed a desire to resolve the fee and cost issue shortly after the other settlement terms had been finalized. 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 § 1021.5, for all work performed through the mutual execution of this agreement. Defendant shall pay \$47,700 for fees and costs incurred as a result of investigating, bringing this matter to Defendant's attention, and negotiating a settlement in the public interest. On or before the Effective Date, Product Ouest shall issue a check payable to "Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP" in the amount of \$47,700 to be held in trust by the Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP for The Chanler Group. Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP shall provide The Chanler Group with written confirmation within five days of receipt that the funds have been deposited in a trust account. Within five business days of the date this Consent Judgment is approved by the Court, Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP shall issue a check payable to "The Chanler Group" to the address found in Section 3.3. below.

### 3.3 Payment Procedures

All payments under this Settlement Agreement are due within five (5) days of the date this Consent Judgment is approved by the Court, and shall be delivered to the following address:

The Chanler Group Attn: Proposition 65 Controller 2560 Ninth Street Parker Plaza, Suite 214 Berkeley, CA 94710

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### 4. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED

## 4.1 Held's Public Release of Proposition 65 Claims

This Consent Judgment is a full, final and binding resolution of all claims that were or could have been asserted in the Action arising out of Defendant's alleged failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings for the Products. Held, acting on his own behalf and in the public interest, releases Defendant and their respective 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, their downstream distributors, wholesalers, customers, retailers, franchisers, cooperative members, licensors and licensees, including Rite Aid Corporation and Topco Associates, LLC ("Downstream Releasees") for violations arising under Proposition 65 for unwarned exposures to benzophenone from the Products sold prior to August 31, 2015, as set forth in the Notice.

### 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 Defendant, 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, character or kind, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, arising out of alleged or actual exposures to benzophenone in the Products sold or distributed for sale before August 31, 2015.

## 4.3 Product Quest's Release of Held

Defendant on behalf of itself, its past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, successors and/or assignees, hereby waives any and all claims against Held, his attorneys and other representatives, for any and all actions taken or statements made (or those that could have been taken or made) by Held and his attorneys and other representatives, whether in the course of investigating claims or otherwise seeking to enforce Proposition 65 against it in this matter with respect to the Products.

### 5. COURT APPROVAL

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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 all parties.

### 6. SEVERABILITY

If, subsequent to the execution of this Consent Judgment, any of the provisions of this Consent Judgment are held by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the enforceable provisions remaining shall not be adversely affected.

### 7. GOVERNING LAW

The terms of this Settlement Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the state of California and apply within the state of California. Benzophenone is listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as a chemical that is known to the State of California to cause cancer. In the event that Proposition 65 is repealed or is otherwise rendered inapplicable by reason of law generally, or as to the Products, including the delisting of benzophenone, then Product Quest may provide written notice to Held of any asserted change in the law, and with the exception of sections 3.1 and 3.2 above, have no further obligations pursuant to this Consent Judgment, with respect to, and to the extent that, the Products are so affected.

### 8. NOTICES

Unless specified herein, all correspondence and notices required to be provided pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be in writing and personally delivered or sent by: (i) first-class, (registered or certified mail) return receipt requested; or (ii) overnight courier on any party by the other party at the following addresses:

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Matthew S. Kenefick Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell, LLP Two Embarcadero Center, Fifth Floor San Francisco, CA 94111

## To Anthony E. Held, Ph.D., P.E.:

Proposition 65 Coordinator The Chanler Group 2560 Ninth Street Parker Plaza, Suite 214 Berkeley, CA 94710-2565

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

## 9. COUNTERPARTS; FACSIMILE AND PDF SIGNATURES

This Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts and by facsimile or pdf signature, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same document. A facsimile or pdf signature shall be as valid as the original.

## 10. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 25249.7(f)

Held and his attorneys agree to comply with the reporting form requirements referenced in California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(f).

## 11. <u>ADDITIONAL POST EXECUTION ACTIVITIES</u>

Held and Defendant agree to mutually employ their best efforts to support the entry of this agreement as a Consent Judgment and obtain approval of the Consent Judgment by the Court in a timely manner. The parties acknowledge that, pursuant to California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7, a noticed motion is required to obtain judicial approval of this Consent Judgment, which Held shall draft and file, and Defendant shall join. If any third party objection to the noticed motion is filed, Held and Defendant shall work together to file a joint reply and appear at any hearing before the Court. This provision is a material component of the Consent Judgment and shall be treated as such in the event of a breach.

### 12. MODIFICATION

In the event OEHHA designates a No-Significant Risk Level ("NSRL") for benzophenone, according to which Products Quest asserts would allow for the Products to contain levels of benzophenone in amounts greater than those set forth above in Section 2.1, Product Quest may provide written notice to Held of any assertion and the Parties shall confer within 30 days to attempt to agree upon modification of this Consent Judgment. This Consent Judgment may be modified only by a written agreement of the parties.

### 13. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

If Held determines at a future date that a violation of this agreement has occurred, Held shall provide notice to Product Quest. Prior to bringing any action to enforce any requirement of this Consent Judgment, the party alleging a violation of this settlement agreement shall provide the other

1	party with written notice of the grounds for such allegation together with all supporting information		
2	as well as a complete demand for the relief sought. The Parties shall then meet and confer		
3	regarding the basis for the allegation in an attempt to resolve the matter informally, including		
4	providing the party alleged to be in violation with a reasonable opportunity of at least thirty (30)		
5	days to cure any alleged violation. Should such attempts at informal resolution fail, the party		
6	alleging a violation may file its lawsuit seeking the proposed relief.		
7	14. <u>AUTHORIZATION</u>		
8	The undersigned are authorized to execute this Consent Judgment on behalf of their		
9	respective parties and have read, understood and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this		
10	Consent Judgment.		
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