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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**COUNTY OF ALAMEDA**

**ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH  
CENTER, INC., a California non-profit  
corporation,**

**Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**FITLIFE BRANDS, INC., FITLIFE  
BRANDS, INC. dba SIREN LABS, NDS  
NUTRITION PRODUCTS, INC., and  
DOES 1-100**

**Defendants.**

**CASE NO. RG15790616**

**STIPULATED CONSENT  
JUDGMENT**

Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 *et seq.*

Action Filed: October 22, 2015

Trial Date: None set

**INTRODUCTION**

1.1 On October 22, 2015, Plaintiff Environmental Research Center, Inc. ("ERC"), a non-profit corporation, as a private enforcer, and in the public interest, initiated this

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1 action by filing a Complaint for Injunctive and Declaratory Relief and Civil Penalties (the  
2 "Complaint") pursuant to the provisions of California Health and Safety Code section 25249.5  
3 *et seq.* ("Proposition 65"), against FitLife Brands, Inc., NDS Nutrition Products, Inc.  
4 (collectively "FitLife Brands"), and DOES 1-100. In this action, ERC alleges that a number of  
5 products manufactured, distributed or sold by FitLife Brands contain lead, a chemical listed  
6 under Proposition 65 as a carcinogen and reproductive toxin, and expose consumers to this  
7 chemical at a level requiring a Proposition 65 warning. These products (referred to hereinafter  
8 individually as a "Covered Product" or collectively as "Covered Products") are: (1) FitLife  
9 Brands Inc. NDS Alpha Strike, (2) Bond Laboratories Inc. Siren Labs Methyl-T Ignite Wild  
10 Berry, (3) Bond Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc. Cardio Cuts Grape, (4) Bond  
11 Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc. Intensify Xtreme, (5) Bond Laboratories Inc.  
12 NDS Nutrition Products Inc. PMD Platinum Flex Stack Z-Test, (6) Bond Laboratories Inc.  
13 NDS Nutrition Products Inc. Cardio Cuts Strawberry Crush, (7) Bond Laboratories Inc. Siren  
14 Labs Methyl-T Fruit Punch, (8) FitLife Brands Inc. Siren Labs Slimify, and (9) FitLife Brands  
15 Inc. PMD Platinum Pump Fuel v.2 Raspberry Lemonade.

16 1.2 ERC and FitLife Brands are hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" or  
17 collectively as the "Parties."

18 1.3 ERC is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes,  
19 helping safeguard the public from health hazards by reducing the use and misuse of hazardous  
20 and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and  
21 encouraging corporate responsibility.

22 1.4 For purposes of this Consent Judgment, the Parties agree that FitLife Brands is a  
23 business entity that has employed ten or more persons at all times relevant to this action, and  
24 qualifies as a "person in the course of business" within the meaning of Proposition 65. FitLife  
25 Brands manufactures, distributes and sells the Covered Products.

26 1.5 The Complaint is based on allegations contained in ERC's Notice of Violation  
27 dated September 26, 2014, that was served on the California Attorney General, other public  
28 enforcers, and FitLife Brands ("Notice"). A true and correct copy of the Notice is attached as

1 Exhibit A and is hereby incorporated by reference. More than 60 days have passed since the  
2 Notice was mailed and uploaded to the Attorney General's website, and no designated  
3 governmental entity has filed a complaint against FitLife Brands with regard to the Covered  
4 Products or the alleged violations.

5 1.6 ERC's Notice and Complaint allege that use of the Covered Products exposes  
6 persons in California to lead without first providing clear and reasonable warnings in violation  
7 of California Health and Safety Code section 25249.6. FitLife Brands denies all material  
8 allegations contained in the Notice and Complaint.

9 1.7 The Parties have entered into this Consent Judgment in order to settle,  
10 compromise and resolve disputed claims and thus avoid prolonged and costly litigation.  
11 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall constitute or be construed as an admission by any of  
12 the Parties, or by any of their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents,  
13 parent companies, subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, franchisees, licensees, customers, suppliers,  
14 distributors, wholesalers, or retailers. Except for the representations made above, nothing in  
15 this Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission by the Parties of any fact, issue of  
16 law, or violation of law, nor shall compliance with this Consent Judgment be construed as an  
17 admission by the Parties of any fact, issue of law, or violation of law, at any time, for any  
18 purpose.

19 1.8 Except as expressly set forth herein, nothing in this Consent Judgment shall  
20 prejudice, waive, or impair any right, remedy, argument, or defense the Parties may have in any  
21 other or future legal proceeding unrelated to these proceedings.

22 1.9 The Effective Date of this Consent Judgment is the date on which it is entered as  
23 a Judgment by this Court.

24 1.10 As a result of ERC's September 26, 2014 Notice of Violation and this legal  
25 action, FitLife Brands has reformulated Bond Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc.  
26 Cardio Cuts Grape and Bond Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc. Cardio Cuts  
27 Strawberry Crush; reduced the serving size from 1-2 servings per day to 1 serving per day for  
28 FitLife Brands Inc. PMD Platinum Pump Fuel v.2 Raspberry Lemonade; and discontinued

1 manufacturing Bond Laboratories Inc. Siren Labs Methyl-T Ignite Wild Berry and Bond  
2 Laboratories Inc. Siren Labs Methyl-T Fruit Punch.

3 **2. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

4 For purposes of this Consent Judgment and any further court action that may become  
5 necessary to enforce this Consent Judgment, the Parties stipulate that this Court has subject matter  
6 jurisdiction over the allegations of violations contained in the Complaint, personal jurisdiction  
7 over FitLife Brands as to the acts alleged in the Complaint, that venue is proper in Alameda  
8 County, and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment as a full and final  
9 resolution of all claims up through and including the Effective Date which were or could have  
10 been asserted in this action based on the facts alleged in the Notice and Complaint.

11 **3. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, REFORMULATION, TESTING AND WARNINGS**

12 **3.1** Beginning on the Effective Date, FitLife Brands shall be permanently enjoined  
13 from manufacturing for sale in the State of California, "Distributing into the State of  
14 California", or directly selling to an individual, retailer, or distributor in the State of California,  
15 any Covered Product which exposes a person to a "Daily Lead Exposure Level" of more than  
16 0.5 micrograms per day of lead when the maximum suggested dose is taken as directed on the  
17 Covered Product's label, unless it meets the warning requirements under Section 3.2.

18 **3.1.1** As used in this Consent Judgment, the term "Distributing into the State  
19 of California" shall mean to directly ship a Covered Product into California for sale in  
20 California or to sell a Covered Product to a distributor that FitLife Brands knows will sell the  
21 Covered Product in California.

22 **3.1.2** For purposes of this Consent Judgment, the "Daily Lead Exposure  
23 Level" shall be measured in micrograms, and shall be calculated using the following formula:  
24 micrograms of lead per gram of product, multiplied by grams of product per serving of the  
25 product (using the largest serving size appearing on the product label), multiplied by servings  
26 of the product per day (using the largest number of servings in a recommended dosage  
27 appearing on the product label), which equals micrograms of lead per day.

1           **3.2 Clear and Reasonable Warnings**

2           If FitLife Brands is required to provide a warning pursuant to Section 3.1, the following  
3 warning must be utilized:

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

6 FitLife Brands shall use the phrase "cancer and" in the warning only if the maximum daily dose  
7 recommended on the label contains more than 15 micrograms of lead as determined pursuant to  
8 the quality control methodology set forth in Section 3.4.

9           The warning shall be securely affixed to or printed upon the container or label of each  
10 Covered Product. In addition, for Covered Products sold over FitLife Brands' website, the  
11 warning shall appear on FitLife Brands' checkout page on its website when a California shipping  
12 address is provided by the customer.

13           The warning shall be at least the same size as the largest of any other health or safety  
14 warnings also appearing on its website or on the label or container of FitLife Brands' product  
15 packaging and the word "WARNING" shall be in all capital letters and in bold print. No other  
16 statements about Proposition 65 or lead may accompany the warning.

17           FitLife Brands must display the above warnings with such conspicuousness, as compared  
18 with other words, statements, or design of the label or container, as applicable, to render the  
19 warning likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions of  
20 purchase or use of the product.

21           **3.3 Reformulated Covered Products**

22           A Reformulated Covered Product is one for which the Daily Lead Exposure Level when  
23 the maximum suggested dose is taken as directed on the Reformulated Covered Product's label,  
24 contains no more than 0.5 micrograms of lead per day as determined by the quality control  
25 methodology described in Section 3.4.

26           **3.4 Testing and Quality Control Methodology**

27           **3.4.1** Beginning within one year of the Effective Date, FitLife Brands shall  
28 arrange for lead testing of the Covered Products at least once a year for a minimum of five

1 consecutive years by arranging for testing of three randomly selected samples of each of the  
2 Covered Products, in the form intended for sale to the end-user, which FitLife Brands intends  
3 to sell or is manufacturing for sale in California, directly selling to a consumer in California or  
4 "Distributing into California." The testing requirement does not apply to any of the Covered  
5 Products for which FitLife Brands has provided the warning specified in Section 3.2. If tests  
6 conducted pursuant to this Section demonstrate that no warning is required for a Covered  
7 Product during each of five consecutive years, then the testing requirements of this Section will  
8 no longer be required as to that Covered Product. However, if during or after the five-year  
9 testing period, FitLife Brands changes ingredient suppliers for a Covered Product and/or  
10 reformulates a Covered Product, FitLife Brands shall test that Covered Product annually for at  
11 least two (2) consecutive years after such change is made.

12           **3.4.2** For purposes of measuring the "Daily Lead Exposure Level", the second  
13 highest lead detection result of the three (3) randomly selected samples of the Covered Products  
14 will be controlling.

15           **3.4.3** All testing pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be performed using a  
16 laboratory method that complies with the performance and quality control factors appropriate  
17 for the method used, including limit of detection, qualification, accuracy, and precision that  
18 meets the following criteria: Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry ("ICP-MS")  
19 achieving a limit of quantification of less than or equal to 0.010 mg/kg or any other testing  
20 method subsequently agreed to in writing by the Parties.

21           **3.4.4** All testing pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be performed by an  
22 independent third party laboratory certified by the California Environmental Laboratory  
23 Accreditation Program or an independent third-party laboratory that is registered with the  
24 United States Food & Drug Administration.

25           **3.4.5** Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall limit FitLife Brands' ability to  
26 conduct, or require that others conduct, additional testing of the Covered Products, including  
27 the raw materials used in their manufacture.

1           3.4.6 FitLife Brands shall retain all test results and documentation for a period  
2 of five years from the date of each test.

3       **4. SETTLEMENT PAYMENT**

4           4.1 In full satisfaction of all potential civil penalties, payment in lieu of civil  
5 penalties, attorney's fees, and costs, FitLife Brands shall make a total payment of \$90,000.00  
6 ("Total Settlement Amount") to ERC within five (5) business days of the Effective Date.  
7 FitLife Brands shall make this payment by wire transfer to ERC's escrow account, for which  
8 ERC will give FitLife Brands the necessary account information. The Total Settlement  
9 Amount shall be apportioned as follows:

10          4.2 \$32,260.00 shall be considered a civil penalty pursuant to California Health and  
11 Safety Code §25249.7(b)(1). ERC shall remit 75% (\$24,195.00) of the civil penalty to the  
12 Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") for deposit in the Safe  
13 Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Fund in accordance with California Health and Safety  
14 Code §25249.12(c). ERC will retain the remaining 25% (\$8,065.00) of the civil penalty.

15          4.3 \$2,979.07 shall be distributed to ERC as reimbursement to ERC for reasonable  
16 costs incurred in bringing this action.

17          4.4 \$24,338.76 shall be distributed to ERC in lieu of further civil penalties, for the  
18 day-to-day business activities such as (1) continued enforcement of Proposition 65, which  
19 includes work, analyzing, researching and testing consumer products that may contain  
20 Proposition 65 chemicals, focusing on the same or similar type of ingestible products that are  
21 the subject matter of the current action; (2) the continued monitoring of past consent judgments  
22 and settlements to ensure companies are in compliance with Proposition 65; and (3) giving a  
23 donation of \$1,217.00 to the Center For Environmental Health (CEH) to address reducing toxic  
24 chemical exposures in California.

25          4.5 \$10,915.00 shall be distributed to Michael Freund as reimbursement of ERC's  
26 attorney's fees, \$4,100.00 shall be distributed to Ryan Hoffman as reimbursement of ERC's  
27 attorney's fees, \$787.50 shall be distributed to Karen Evans as reimbursement of ERC's  
28 attorney's fees, and \$14,619.67 shall be distributed to ERC for its in-house legal fees.

1     **5. MODIFICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

2           **5.1**     This Consent Judgment may be modified only (i) by written stipulation of the  
3 Parties or pursuant to Section 5.4 and (ii) upon entry by the Court of a modified consent  
4 judgment.

5           **5.2**     If FitLife Brands seeks to modify this Consent Judgment under Section 5.1, then  
6 FitLife Brands must provide written notice to ERC of its intent ("Notice of Intent"). If ERC  
7 seeks to meet and confer regarding the proposed modification in the Notice of Intent, then ERC  
8 must provide written notice to FitLife Brands within thirty days of receiving the Notice of  
9 Intent. If ERC notifies FitLife Brands in a timely manner of ERC's intent to meet and confer,  
10 then the Parties shall meet and confer in good faith as required in this Section. The Parties  
11 shall meet in person or via telephone within thirty (30) days of ERC's notification of its intent  
12 to meet and confer. Within thirty (30) days of such meeting, if ERC disputes the proposed  
13 modification, ERC shall provide to FitLife Brands a written basis for its position. The Parties  
14 shall continue to meet and confer for an additional thirty (30) days in an effort to resolve any  
15 remaining disputes. Should it become necessary, the Parties may agree in writing to different  
16 deadlines for the meet-and-confer period.

17           **5.3**     In the event that FitLife Brands initiates or otherwise requests a modification  
18 under Section 5.1, and the meet and confer process leads to a joint motion or application of the  
19 Consent Judgment, FitLife Brands shall reimburse ERC its costs and reasonable attorney's fees  
20 for the time spent in the meet-and-confer process and filing and arguing the motion or  
21 application.

22           **5.4**     Where the meet-and-confer process does not lead to a joint motion or  
23 application in support of a modification of the Consent Judgment, then either Party may seek  
24 judicial relief on its own. In such a situation, the prevailing Party may seek to recover costs  
25 and reasonable attorney's fees. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party"  
26 means a party who is successful in obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the  
27 other party was amenable to providing during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the  
28 dispute that is the subject of the modification.

1 **6. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION, ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT**  
2 **JUDGMENT**

3 6.1 This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to enforce, modify or terminate  
4 this Consent Judgment.

5 6.2 If ERC alleges that any Covered Product fails to qualify as a Reformulated  
6 Covered Product (for which ERC alleges that no warning has been provided), then ERC shall  
7 inform FitLife Brands in a reasonably prompt manner of its test results, including information  
8 sufficient to permit FitLife Brands to identify the Covered Products at issue. FitLife Brands  
9 shall, within thirty days following such notice, provide ERC with testing information, from an  
10 independent third-party laboratory meeting the requirements of Section 3.4.2, demonstrating  
11 FitLife Brands' compliance with the Consent Judgment, if warranted. The Parties shall first  
12 attempt to resolve the matter prior to ERC taking any further legal action.

13 **7. APPLICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

14 This Consent Judgment may apply to, be binding upon, and benefit the Parties and their  
15 respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, parent companies, subsidiaries,  
16 divisions, affiliates, franchisees, licensees, customers (excluding private labelers), distributors,  
17 wholesalers, retailers, predecessors, successors, and assigns. This Consent Judgment shall have no  
18 application to Covered Products which are distributed or sold exclusively outside the State of  
19 California and which are not used by California consumers.

20 **8. BINDING EFFECT, CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED**

21 8.1 This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between ERC, on  
22 behalf of itself and in the public interest, and FitLife Brands of any alleged violation of  
23 Proposition 65 or its implementing regulations for failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings of  
24 exposure to lead from the handling, use, or consumption of the Covered Products and fully  
25 resolves all claims that have been or could have been asserted in this action up to and including  
26 the Effective Date for failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings for the Covered Products.  
27 ERC, on behalf of itself and in the public interest, hereby releases and discharges FitLife and its  
28 respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, parent companies, subsidiaries,

1 divisions, affiliates, suppliers, franchisees, licensees, customers (not including private label  
2 customers of FitLife Brands), distributors, wholesalers, retailers, and all other upstream and  
3 downstream entities in the distribution chain of any Covered Product, and the predecessors,  
4 successors and assigns of any of them (collectively, "Released Parties"), from any and all  
5 claims, actions, causes of action, suits, demands, liabilities, damages, penalties, fees, costs and  
6 expenses asserted, or that could have been asserted from the handling, use, or consumption of  
7 the Covered Products, as to any alleged violation of Proposition 65 or its implementing  
8 regulations arising from the failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings on the Covered  
9 Products regarding lead up to and including the Effective Date.

10       **8.2** ERC, on behalf of itself only, hereby releases and discharges the Released  
11 Parties from all known and unknown claims, causes of action, suits, damages, penalties,  
12 liabilities, injunctive relief, declaratory relief, attorney's fees, costs, and expenses arising from  
13 or related to the claims asserted or that could have been asserted, under state or federal law,  
14 regarding the presence of lead in the Covered Products or the facts alleged in the Notice or the  
15 Complaint, including without limitation any and all claims concerning exposure to any person  
16 to lead in the Covered Products up to, and including, the Effective Date.

17       **8.3** ERC on its own behalf only, on one hand, and FitLife Brands on its own behalf  
18 only, on the other, further waive and release any and all claims they may have against each  
19 other for all actions or statements made or undertaken in the course of seeking or opposing  
20 enforcement of Proposition 65 in connection with the Notice or Complaint up through and  
21 including the Effective Date, provided, however, that nothing in Section 8 shall affect or limit  
22 any Party's right to seek to enforce the terms of this Consent Judgment.

23       **8.4** It is possible that other claims not known to the Parties arising out of the facts  
24 alleged in the Notice or the Complaint and relating to the Covered Products will develop or be  
25 discovered. ERC on behalf of itself only, on one hand, and FitLife Brands, on the other hand,  
26 acknowledge that this Consent Judgment is expressly intended to cover and include all such  
27 claims up through the Effective Date, including all rights of action therefore. ERC and FitLife  
28 Brands acknowledge that the claims released in Sections 8.1 and 8.2 above may include

1 unknown claims, and nevertheless waive California Civil Code section 1542 as to any such  
2 unknown claims. California Civil Code section 1542 reads as follows:

3 A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE  
4 CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER  
5 FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF  
6 KNOWN BY HIM OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS  
OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR.

7 ERC on behalf of itself only, on the one hand, and FitLife Brands, on the other hand,  
8 acknowledge and understand the significance and consequences of this specific waiver of  
9 California Civil Code section 1542.

10 8.5 Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall be deemed to  
11 constitute compliance with Proposition 65 by the Released Parties regarding alleged exposures  
12 to lead in the Covered Products as set forth in the Notice and the Complaint.

13 8.6 Nothing in this Consent Judgment is intended to apply to any occupational or  
14 environmental exposures arising under Proposition 65, nor shall it apply to any of FitLife  
15 Brands' products other than the Covered Products.

16 **9. SEVERABILITY OF UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS**

17 In the event that any of the provisions of this Consent Judgment are held by a court to be  
18 unenforceable, the validity of the remaining enforceable provisions shall not be adversely affected.

19 **10. GOVERNING LAW**

20 The terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by and construed in  
21 accordance with the laws of the State of California.

22 **11. PROVISION OF NOTICE**

23 All notices required to be given to either Party to this Consent Judgment by the other shall  
24 be in writing and sent to the following agents listed below via first-class mail. Courtesy copies via  
25 email may also be sent.

1 **FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER, INC.:**

2 Chris Heptinstall, Executive Director, Environmental Research Center  
3 3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 400  
4 San Diego, CA 92108  
5 Tel: (619) 500-3090  
6 Email: chris\_erc501c3@yahoo.com

7 With a copy to:

8 Michael Freund  
9 Ryan Hoffman  
10 Michael Freund & Associates  
11 1919 Addison Street, Suite 105  
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15 **FITLIFE BRANDS, INC.; FITLIFE BRANDS, INC. dba SIREN LABS;  
16 NDS NUTRITION PRODUCTS, INC.**

17 Peg Carew Toledo  
18 Peg Carew Toledo, Law Corporation  
19 3001 Douglas Blvd., Suite 340  
20 Roseville, CA 95661

21 With a copy to:

22 Sandra D. Morar  
23 McGrath | North  
24 First National Tower  
25 1601 Dodge Street, Suite 3700  
26 Omaha, NE 68102  
27 Telephone: (402) 341-3070  
28 Facsimile: (402) 952-1884

12. **COURT APPROVAL**

12.1 Upon execution of this Consent Judgment by the Parties, ERC shall notice a Motion for Court Approval. The Parties shall use their best efforts to support entry of this Consent Judgment.

1           12.2 If the California Attorney General objects to any term in this Consent Judgment,  
2 the Parties shall use their best efforts to resolve the concern in a timely manner, and if possible  
3 prior to the hearing on the motion.

4           12.3 If this Consent Judgment is not approved by the Court, it shall be void and have  
5 no force or effect.

### 6       **13. EXECUTION AND COUNTERPARTS**

7           This Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts, which taken together shall be  
8 deemed to constitute one document. A facsimile or .pdf signature shall be construed as valid as  
9 the original signature.

### 10       **14. DRAFTING**

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

### 19       **15. GOOD FAITH ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE DISPUTES**

20           If a dispute arises with respect to either Party's compliance with the terms of this Consent  
21 Judgment entered by the Court, the Parties shall meet in person or by telephone and endeavor to  
22 resolve the dispute in an amicable manner. No action or motion may be filed in the absence of  
23 such a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute beforehand. In the event an action or motion is  
24 filed, however, the prevailing party may seek to recover costs and reasonable attorney's fees. As  
25 used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party" means a party who is successful in  
26 obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the other party was amenable to providing  
27 during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute that is the subject of such enforcement  
28 action.

1 16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZATION

2 16.1 This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement and  
3 understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter herein, and any and all  
4 prior discussions, negotiations, commitments and understandings related hereto. No  
5 representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those contained herein have  
6 been made by any Party. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, unless specifically referred to  
7 herein, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any Party.

8 16.2 Each signatory to this Consent Judgment certifies that he or she is fully  
9 authorized by the Party he or she represents to stipulate to this Consent Judgment. Except as  
10 explicitly provided herein, each Party shall bear its own fees and costs.

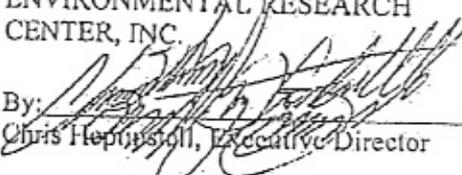
11 17. REQUEST FOR FINDINGS, APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AND ENTRY OF  
12 CONSENT JUDGMENT

13 This Consent Judgment has come before the Court upon the request of the Parties. The  
14 Parties request the Court to fully review this Consent Judgment and, being fully informed  
15 regarding the matters which are the subject of this action, make the findings pursuant to California  
16 Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(f)(4), approve the settlement, and approve this Consent  
17 Judgment.

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19 IT IS SO STIPULATED:

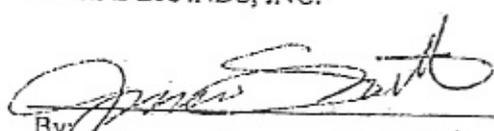
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ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH  
CENTER, INC.

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22 By:   
Chris Hepburn, Executive Director

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24 Dated: 12/31, 2015

FITLIFE BRANDS, INC.

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26 By:   
27 Its: Jenna Sennett, CEO  
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1 Dated: 12/31, 2015

FITLIFE BRANDS, INC. dba SIREN LABS

By:   
Its: Jenna Sunnett, CEO

5 Dated: 12/31, 2015

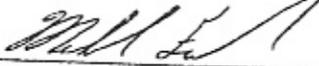
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By:   
Its: Jenna Sunnett, CEO

10 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

11 Dated: 12/31, 2015

MICHAEL FREUND & ASSOCIATES

By:   
Michael Freund  
Ryan Hoffman  
Attorneys for Plaintiff Environmental  
Research Center, Inc.

16 Dated: December 31, 2015

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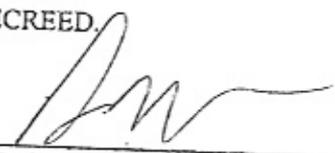
By:   
Peg Carew Toledo  
Attorney for Defendants FitLife Brands,  
Inc. and NDS Nutrition Products, Inc.

23 ORDER AND JUDGMENT

24 Based upon the Parties' Stipulation, and good cause appearing, this Consent Judgment is  
25 approved and Judgment is hereby entered according to its terms.

26 IT IS SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED.

27 Dated: 4/12, 2016

  
Judge of the Superior Court 

28 STIPULATED CONSENT JUDGMENT

**EXHIBIT A**

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OF COUNSEL:  
Denise Ferkich Hoffman, Esq.

September 26, 2014

**NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF  
CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.5 ET SEQ.  
(PROPOSITION 65)**

Dear Alleged Violators and the Appropriate Public Enforcement Agencies:

I represent Environmental Research Center, Inc. ("ERC"), 3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 400, San Diego, CA 92108; Tel. (619) 500-3090. ERC's Executive Director is Chris Heptinstall. 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.

ERC has identified violations of California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 ("Proposition 65"), which is codified at California Health & Safety Code §25249.5 *et seq.*, with respect to the products identified below. These violations have occurred and continue to occur because the alleged Violators identified below failed to provide required clear and reasonable warnings with these products. This letter serves as a notice of these violations to the alleged Violators and the appropriate public enforcement agencies. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d), ERC intends to file a private enforcement action in the public interest 60 days after effective service of this notice unless the public enforcement agencies have commenced and are diligently prosecuting an action to rectify these violations.

**General Information about Proposition 65.** A copy of a summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, is enclosed with this letter served to the alleged Violators identified below.

**Alleged Violators.** The names of the companies covered by this notice that violated Proposition 65 (hereinafter the "Violators") are:

FitLife Brands, Inc.  
FitLife Brands, Inc. dba Siren Labs  
NDS Nutrition Products, Inc.

**Consumer Products and Listed Chemicals.** The products that are the subject of this notice and the chemical in those products identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

1. FitLife Brands Inc. NDS Alpha Strike - Lead
2. Bond Laboratories Inc. Siren Labs Methyl-T Ignite Wild Berry - Lead
3. Bond Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc. Cardio Cuts Grape - Lead
4. Bond Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc. Intensify Xtreme - Lead
5. Bond Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc. PMD Platinum Flex Stack Z-Test - Lead
6. Bond Laboratories Inc. NDS Nutrition Products Inc. Cardio Cuts Strawberry Crush - Lead
7. Bond Laboratories Inc. Siren Labs Methyl-T Fruit Punch - Lead
8. FitLife Brands Inc. Siren Labs Slimify - Lead
9. FitLife Brands Inc. PMD Platinum Pump Fuel v.2 Raspberry Lemonade - 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.

It should be noted that ERC may continue to investigate other products that may reveal further violations and result in subsequent notices of violations.

**Route of Exposure.** The consumer exposures that are the subject of this notice result from the purchase, acquisition, handling and recommended use of these products. Consequently, the primary route of exposure to these chemicals has been and continues to be through ingestion, but may have also occurred and may continue to occur through inhalation and/or dermal contact.

**Approximate Time Period of Violations.** Ongoing violations have occurred every day since at least September 26, 2011, as well as every day since the products were introduced into the California marketplace, and will continue every day until clear and reasonable warnings are provided to product purchasers and users or until these known toxic chemicals are either removed from or reduced to allowable levels in the products. 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 label. The Violators violated Proposition 65 because they failed to provide persons handling and/or using these products with appropriate warnings that they are being exposed to these chemicals.

Consistent with the public interest goals of Proposition 65 and a desire to have these ongoing violations of California law quickly rectified, ERC is interested in seeking a constructive resolution of this matter that includes an enforceable written agreement by the Violators to: (1) reformulate the identified products so as to eliminate further exposures to the identified chemicals, or provide appropriate warnings on the labels of these products; and (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty; and (3) provide clear and reasonable warnings compliant with Proposition 65 to all persons located in California who purchased the above products in the last three years. Such a resolution will prevent further unwarned consumer exposures to the identified chemicals, as well as an expensive and time consuming litigation.

ERC has retained me as legal counsel in connection with this matter. Please direct all communications regarding this Notice of Violation to my attention at the law office address and telephone number indicated on the letterhead or at [rrhoffma@gmail.com](mailto:rrhoffma@gmail.com).

Sincerely,



Ryan Hoffman

Attachments

- Certificate of Merit
- Certificate of Service
- OEHHA Summary (to FitLife Brands, Inc.; FitLife Brands, Inc. dba Siren Labs; NDS Nutrition Products, Inc.; and their Registered Agents for Service of Process only)
- Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to AG only)

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT**

**Re: Environmental Research Center, Inc.'s Notice of Proposition 65 Violations by FitLife Brands, Inc.; FitLife Brands, Inc. dba Siren Labs; and NDS Nutrition Products, Inc.**

I, Ryan Hoffman, declare:

1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached 60-day notice in which it is alleged that the parties 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 chemicals that are 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 Violators 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: September 26, 2014

  
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Ryan Hoffman

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. I am a resident or employed in the county where the mailing occurred. The envelope or package was placed in the mail at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

On September 26, 2014, I served the following documents: NOTICE OF VIOLATION 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 at a U.S. Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Certified Mail:

Current CEO or President  
FitLife Brands, Inc. dba Siren Labs  
4509 South 143<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 1  
Omaha, NE 68137

Tracy L. Deutmeyer  
(FitLife Brands, Inc. dba Siren Labs' Registered  
Agent for Service of Process)  
1601 Dodge Street, Suite 3700  
Omaha, NE 68102

Current CEO or President  
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1645 Village Center Circle, Suite 170  
Las Vegas, NV 89134

VCorp Services, LLC  
(NDS Nutrition Products, Inc.'s Registered  
Agent for Service of Process)  
5011 South State Road 7, Suite 106  
Davie, FL 33314

VCorp Services, LLC  
(FitLife Brands, Inc.'s Registered Agent for Service of Process)  
1645 Village Center Circle, Suite 170  
Las Vegas, NV 89134

On September 26, 2014, I electronically 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 party by uploading a true and correct copy thereof on the California Attorney General's website, which can be accessed at <https://oag.ca.gov/prop65/add-60-day-notice>:

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

On September 26, 2014, 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 at a U.S. Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Priority Mail.

Executed on September 26, 2014, in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

  
Tiffany Capchart

Service List

District Attorney, Alameda County 1225 Fallon Street, Suite 900 Oakland, CA 94612	District Attorney, Los Angeles County 210 West Temple Street, Suite 18000 Los Angeles, CA 90012	District Attorney, San Diego County 330 West Broadway, Suite 1300 San Diego, CA 92101	District Attorney, Tuolumne County 423 N. Washington Street Sonora, CA 95370
District Attorney, Alpine County P.O. Box 248 Markleeville, CA 96120	District Attorney, Madera County 209 West Yosemite Avenue Madera, CA 93637	District Attorney, San Francisco County 850 Bryant Street, Suite 322 San Francisco, CA 94103	District Attorney, Ventura County 800 South Victoria Ave, Suite 314 Ventura, CA 93009
District Attorney, Amador County 708 Court Street Jackson, CA 95642	District Attorney, Marin County 3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 130 San Rafael, CA 94903	District Attorney, San Joaquin County 222 E. Weber Ave. Rm. 202 Stockton, CA 95202	District Attorney, Yolo County 301 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street Woodland, CA 95695
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District Attorney, Colusa County 346 Fifth Street Suite 101 Colusa, CA 95932	District Attorney, Merced County 550 W. Main Street Merced, CA 95340	District Attorney, Santa Barbara County 1112 Santa Barbara Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101	San Diego City Attorney's Office 1200 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Ste 1620 San Diego, CA 92101
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District Attorney, Fresno County 2220 Tulare Street, Suite 1000 Fresno, CA 93721	District Attorney, Napa County Post Office Box 720 Napa, CA 94559	District Attorney, Sierra County PO Box 457 Downieville, CA 95936	
District Attorney, Glenn County Post Office Box 430 Willows, CA 95988	District Attorney, Nevada County 201 Commercial Street Nevada City, CA 95959	District Attorney, Siskiyou County Post Office Box 986 Yreka, CA 96097	
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District Attorney, Imperial County 940 West Main Street, Ste 102 El Centro, CA 92243	District Attorney, Placer County 10810 Justice Center Drive, Ste 240 Roseville, CA 95678	District Attorney, Sonoma County 600 Administration Drive, Room 212J Santa Rosa, CA 95403	
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District Attorney, Kings County 1400 West Lacey Boulevard Hanford, CA 93230	District Attorney, Sacramento County 901 "G" Street Sacramento, CA 95814	District Attorney, Tehama County Post Office Box 519 Red Bluff, CA 96080	
District Attorney, Lake County 255 N. Forbes Street Lakeport, CA 95453	District Attorney, San Benito County 419 Fourth Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hollister, CA 95023	District Attorney, Trinity County Post Office Box 310 Weaverville, CA 96093	
District Attorney, Lassen County 220 South Lassen Street, Ste. 8 Susanville, CA 96130	District Attorney, San Bernardino County 316 N. Mountain View Avenue San Bernardino, CA 92415-0004	District Attorney, Tulare County 221 S. Mooney Blvd., Room 224 Visalia, CA 93291	

## APPENDIX A

### OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY

The following summary has been prepared by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), the lead agency for the implementation of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (commonly known as "Proposition 65"). A copy of this summary must be included as an attachment to any notice of violation served upon an alleged violator of the Act. The summary provides basic information about the provisions of the law, and is intended to serve only as a convenient source of general information. It is not intended to provide authoritative guidance on the meaning or application of the law. The reader is directed to the statute and OEHHA's implementing regulations (see citations below) for further information.

FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE BASIS FOR THE ALLEGATIONS IN THE NOTICE RELATED TO YOUR BUSINESS, CONTACT THE PERSON IDENTIFIED ON THE NOTICE.

Proposition 65 appears in California law as Health and Safety Code Sections 25249.5 through 25249.13. The statute is available online at: <http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65/law/P65law72003.html>. Regulations that provide more specific guidance on compliance, and that specify procedures to be followed by the State in carrying out certain aspects of the law, are found in Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 25102 through 27001.<sup>1</sup> These implementing regulations are available online at: <http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65/law/P65Regs.html>.

#### *WHAT DOES PROPOSITION 65 REQUIRE?*

**The "Governor's List."** Proposition 65 requires the Governor to publish a list of chemicals that are known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or reproductive toxicity. This means that chemicals are placed on the Proposition 65 list if they are known to cause cancer and/or birth defects or other reproductive harm, such as

<sup>1</sup> All further regulatory references are to sections of Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations unless otherwise indicated. The statute, regulations and relevant case law are available on the OEHHA website at: <http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65/law/index.html>.

damage to female or male reproductive systems or to the developing fetus. This list must be updated at least once a year. The current Proposition 65 list of chemicals is available on the OEHHA website at:

[http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65/prop65\\_list/Newlist.html](http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65/prop65_list/Newlist.html).

Only those chemicals that are on the list are regulated under this law. Businesses that produce, use, release or otherwise engage in activities involving listed chemicals must comply with the following:

**Clear and reasonable warnings.** A business is required to warn a person before "knowingly and intentionally" exposing that person to a listed chemical unless an exemption applies; for example, when exposures are sufficiently low (see below). The warning given must be "clear and reasonable." This means that the warning must: (1) clearly make known that the chemical involved is known to cause cancer, or birth defects or other reproductive harm and (2) be given in such a way that it will effectively reach the person before he or she is exposed. Some exposures are exempt from the warning requirement under certain circumstances discussed below.

**Prohibition from discharges into drinking water.** A business must not knowingly discharge or release a listed chemical into water or onto land where it passes or probably will pass into a source of drinking water. Some discharges are exempt from this requirement under certain circumstances discussed below.

#### *DOES PROPOSITION 65 PROVIDE ANY EXEMPTIONS?*

Yes. You should consult the current version of the statute and regulations (<http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65/law/index.html>) to determine all applicable exemptions, the most common of which are the following:

**Grace Period.** Proposition 65 warning requirements do not apply until 12 months after the chemical has been listed. The Proposition 65 discharge prohibition does not apply to a discharge or release of a chemical that takes place less than 20 months after the listing of the chemical.

**Governmental agencies and public water utilities.** All agencies of the federal, state or local government, as well as entities operating public water systems, are exempt.

**Businesses with nine or fewer employees.** Neither the warning requirement nor the discharge prohibition applies to a business that employs a total of nine or fewer employees. This includes all employees, not just those present in California.

**Exposures that pose no significant risk of cancer.** For chemicals that are listed as known to the State to cause cancer ("carcinogens"), a warning is not required if the business can demonstrate that the exposure occurs at a level that poses "no significant risk." This means that the exposure is calculated to result in not more than one excess case of cancer in 100,000 individuals exposed over a 70-year lifetime. The Proposition 65 regulations identify specific "No Significant Risk Levels" (NSRLs) for many listed carcinogens. Exposures below these levels are exempt from the warning requirement. See OEHHA's website at: <http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65/getNSRLs.html> for a list of NSRLs, and Section 25701 *et seq.* of the regulations for information concerning how these levels are calculated.

**Exposures that will produce no observable reproductive effect at 1,000 times the level in question.** For chemicals known to the State to cause reproductive toxicity, a warning is not required if the business can demonstrate that the exposure will produce no observable effect, even at 1,000 times the level in question. In other words, the level of exposure must be below the "no observable effect level" divided by a 1,000. This number is known as the Maximum Allowable Dose Level (MADL). See OEHHA's website at: <http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65/getNSRLs.html> for a list of MADLs, and Section 25801 *et seq.* of the regulations for information concerning how these levels are calculated.

**Exposures to Naturally Occurring Chemicals in a Food.** Certain exposures to chemicals that occur in foods naturally (i.e., that do not result from any known human activity, including activity by someone other than the person causing the exposure) are exempt from the warning requirements of the law. If the chemical is a contaminant<sup>2</sup> it must be reduced to the lowest level feasible. Regulations explaining this exemption can be found in Section 25501.

**Discharges that do not result in a "significant amount" of the listed chemical entering into any source of drinking water.** The prohibition from discharges into drinking water does not apply if the discharger is able to demonstrate that a "significant amount" of the listed chemical has not, does not, or will not pass into or probably pass into a source of drinking water, and that the discharge complies with all other applicable laws, regulations, permits, requirements, or orders. A "significant amount" means any detectable amount, except an amount that would meet the "no significant risk" level for chemicals that cause cancer or that is 1,000 times below the "no observable effect" level for chemicals that cause reproductive toxicity, if an individual were exposed to that amount in drinking water.

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<sup>2</sup> See Section 25501(a)(4)

### *HOW IS PROPOSITION 65 ENFORCED?*

Enforcement is carried out through civil lawsuits. These lawsuits may be brought by the Attorney General, any district attorney, or certain city attorneys. Lawsuits may also be brought by private parties acting in the public interest, but only after providing notice of the alleged violation to the Attorney General, the appropriate district attorney and city attorney, and the business accused of the violation. The notice must provide adequate information to allow the recipient to assess the nature of the alleged violation. The notice must comply with the information and procedural requirements specified in Section 25903 of the regulations and in Title 11, sections 3100-3103. A private party may not pursue an independent enforcement action under Proposition 65 if one of the governmental officials noted above initiates an action within sixty days of the notice.

A business found to be in violation of Proposition 65 is subject to civil penalties of up to \$2,500 per day for each violation. In addition, the business may be ordered by a court to stop committing the violation.

### *FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE LAW OR REGULATIONS...*

Contact the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment's Proposition 65 Implementation Office at (916) 445-6900 or via e-mail at [P65Public.Comments@oehha.ca.gov](mailto:P65Public.Comments@oehha.ca.gov).

Revised: July, 2012

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 25249.12, Health and Safety Code. Reference: Sections 25249.5, 25249.6, 25249.9, 25249.10 and 25249.11, Health and Safety Code.