1 Gregory M. Sheffer, State Bar No. 173124 SHEFFER LAW FIRM 81 Throckmorton Ave., Suite 202 Mill Valley, CA 94941 Telephone: 415.388.0911 Facsimile: 415.388.9911 3 DEC 13 2016 4 JAMES M. KIM, Court Executive Officer MARIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT Attorneys for Plaintiff SUSAN DAVIA 5 By: J. Chen, Deputy 6 7 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 8 FOR THE COUNTY OF MARIN 9 UNLIMITED CIVIL JURISDICTION 10 11 SUSAN DAVIA. Case No. CIV1504315 12 Plaintiff, **JUDGMENT ON PROPOSITION 65** SETTLEMENT 13 v. 14 Case Filed: November 30, 2015 Trail Date: None Assigned ULINE CORPORATION, TINGLEY RUBBER 15 CORPORATION and DOES 1-150, 16 Defendants. 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

In the above-entitled action, Plaintiff Susan Davia and Defendants Tingley Rubber Corporation and Uline Inc. (sued as Uline Corporation), having agreed through their respective counsel that a judgment be entered pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Consent to Judgment entered into by the parties in resolution of this Proposition 65 action, and following the issuance of an order approving the Parties' Settlement Agreement and Stipulation to Judgment on this day, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(f)(4) and Code of Civil Procedure § 664.6, judgment is hereby entered in accordance with the terms of the Stipulation to Judgment attached hereto as Exhibit A. By stipulation of the parties, the Court will retain jurisdiction to enforce the settlement under Code of Civil Procedure § 664.6.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: DEC 1 3 2016

GEOFFREY M. HOWARD

Honorable Geoffrey Howard Judge Of The Superior Court

# EXHIBIT A

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| 12 | SUSAN DAVIA,  | Case No. CIV 1504315                                       |  |
| 13 | Plaintiff,  | CONSENT TO JUDGMENT AS TO DEFENDANT TINGLEY RUBBER         |  |
| 14 | VS.   | CORPORATION AND ULINE INC.                                 |  |
| 15 | ULINE INC., TINGELY RUBBER                                      | (SUED AS ULINE CORPORATION)                                |  |
| 16 | CORPORATION, and DOES 1-150,                                    | Case Filed: November 30, 2015<br>Trial Date: None Assigned |  |
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#### **1.** INTRODUCTION

#### **1.1** The Parties

This Consent to Judgment Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by and between Plaintiff Susan Davia, ("Davia" or "Plaintiff") and Defendants Tingley Rubber Corporation ("Tingley") and Uline, Inc. ("ULINE") with Tingley and ULINE referred to as "Settling Defendants" and Davia, Tingley and ULINE collectively referred to as the "Parties."

#### **1.2** Plaintiff

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

#### **1.3** Defendants

ULINE employs 10 or more persons and is a person in the course of doing business under Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, California Health & Safety Code §§ 25249.6 *et seq.* ("Proposition 65"). Tingley is a small, family-owned New Jersey Company doing business in California through the sale of industrial and commercial clothing and footwear products. Tingley does not admit, and reserves the right to deny in any context other than this action, that it is a person in the course of doing business under Proposition 65. However, for the limited and exclusive purpose of this Consent Judgment, for the limited and exclusive purpose of resolving Davia's claims against Tingley and ULINE, and to avoid expenditures of resources litigating this issue, Tingley is not asserting this denial.

# **1.4** General Allegations

Davia alleges that Tingley and ULINE manufactured, distributed and/or sold, in the State of California, certain types of PVC rain wear comprised of or made with components that allegedly exposed users to Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate ("DEHP") and Tris(chloroethyl) phosphate ("TCEP") without first providing "clear and reasonable warning" under Proposition 65. DEHP is listed as a reproductive and developmental toxicant pursuant to Proposition 65. TECP is listed as a carcinogen pursuant to Proposition 65. Where appropriate, both DEHP and TECP shall hereafter, collectively, be referred to as "Listed Chemical."

Tingley denies the general allegations made by Davia and asserts that Tingley takes compliance with all laws very seriously. In that regard, Tingley represents it was working on becoming fully compliant with Proposition 65 well before the receipt of any 60-day Notices. As early as April 2014, Tingley represents that it was reviewing its product lists and developing warning tags to put on all Covered Products that were likely to contain listed chemicals being shipped to California. Tingley represents that a system was developed to tag all Covered Products shipped to California. Tingley represents that its compliance efforts also included the placement of warnings on its E-commerce website, which placement was completed on or about November 7, 2014. Along with the tagging of all Covered Products, Tingley represents that a letter was sent on October 27, 2014 to distributer customers of Tingley (including ULINE) informing them of the importance of complying with Proposition 65 and the need to label all Covered Products being shipped to California.

#### **1.5** Notices of Violation

On September 1, 2015, Davia served ULINE and Tingley with valid and compliant Proposition 65 60-DayNotice of Violation, together with valid, requisite Certificates of Merit that provided public enforcers and these entities with notice of alleged violations of Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 for failing to warn consumers of the presence of the DEHP in and on their PVC rainwear products sold in California. On October 1, 2015, Davia served ULINE and Tingley with valid and compliant Supplemental Proposition 65 60-DayNotice of Violation, together with valid, requisite Certificates of Merit that provided public enforcers and these entities with notice of alleged violations of Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 for failing to warn consumers of the presence of the TCEP in and on their PVC rainwear products sold in California. On October 29, 2015, Davia served ULINE and Tingley with valid and compliant Amended Supplemental Proposition 65 60-DayNotice of Violation, together with valid, requisite Certificates of Merit that provided public enforcers and these entities with notice of alleged violations of Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 for failing to warn consumers of the presence of the TCEP in and on their PVC rainwear products sold in California.

ULINE and Tingley received the September 1, 2015, October 1, 2015, and October 29, 2015, notices of violation (hereafter, collectively, "Notices"). The Parties represent that, as of the date this

Agreement is executed, they believe that no public enforcer is diligently prosecuting a Proposition 65 enforcement action related to the Listed Chemical in the covered products, as identified in the Notices.

# 1.6 Complaints

On November 30, 2015, Davia, acting in the interest of the general public in California, filed a Complaint in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Marin, Case No. CIV 1504315, alleging violations against Tingley, ULINE and Does 1-150 of Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 based, *inter alia*, on the alleged exposures to DEHP contained in certain PVC rainwear products. On January 13, 2016, Davia, also acting in the interest of the general public in California, filed a First Amended Complaint in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Marin, Case No. CIV 1504315, alleging violations Tingley, ULINE and Does 1-150 of Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 based, *inter alia*, on the alleged exposures to DEHP and TCEP contained in certain PVC rainwear products.

#### **1.7** No Admission

This Agreement resolves claims that are denied and disputed by each Settling Defendant. The Parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to a full and final settlement of any and all claims between the Parties for the purpose of avoiding prolonged litigation. Each Settling Defendant denies the material factual and legal allegations contained in the Notices and Complaints, maintains that it did not knowingly or intentionally expose California consumers to the Listed Chemical through the reasonably foreseeable use of the Covered Product and otherwise contends that all Noticed products it has manufactured, distributed and/or sold in California have been and are in compliance with all applicable laws. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as an admission by any Settling Defendant of any fact, finding, issue of law, or violation of law; nor shall compliance with this Agreement constitute or be construed as an admission by any Settling Defendant of any fact, finding, conclusion, issue of law, or violation of law, such being specifically denied by each Settling Defendant. However, notwithstanding the foregoing, this section shall not diminish or otherwise affect each Settling Defendant's obligations, responsibilities, and duties under this Agreement.

# **1.8** Consent to Jurisdiction

For purposes of this Agreement only, the Parties stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over Tingley and ULINE as to only the allegations contained in Complaints, that venue is proper in County of Marin, and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter and enforce the provisions of this Agreement. As an express part of this Agreement, pursuant to C.C.P. §664.6 the Court in which this action was filed shall retain jurisdiction over the parties to enforce the settlement until performance in full of the terms of the settlement.

#### **2.** DEFINITIONS

- **2.1** The term "Complaint" shall mean the January 13, 2016, First Amended Complaint.
- 2.2 The term "Covered Product 1" means any DuraScrim brand PVC rainwear product, excluding Covered Product 2, including, but not limited to, DuraScrim Hood (including Tingley H56107, ULINE S18131), DuraScrim Jackets (including Tingley J56107 and J56207, ULINE S-18127), Durascrim Overalls (including Tingley O56007 and O56107, ULINE S-18128), Durascrim Pants (including Tingley P56007, ULINE S-18129), Durascrim Coats (including Tingley C56207, ULINE S-18131) and Durascrim 3 Pc. Suits (including Tingley S56307).
- **2.3** The term "Covered Product 2" means any Tingley rainwear, excluding Covered Product 1, that including, but not limited to, American, Industrial Work, Safety Flex, WebDri, Comfort Tuff and Tingley Poncho product lines of PVC rain hoods, hats, jacket, coats, pants, overalls and 3 pc. suits.
- 2.4 The term "Covered Products" shall mean Covered Product 1 and Covered Product2, collectively.
  - **2.5** The term "Effective Date" shall mean August 15, 2016.
- 2.6 The term "Phthalate Free" shall mean less than or equal to 1,000 parts per million ("ppm") of each DEHP, DBP, DINP, DIDP and DnHP in any component of any Covered Product 1 or Covered Product 2, determined by a minimum of duplicate quality controlled tests by an accredited U.S. laboratory using U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") testing methodologies 3580A and 8270C or any other methodology utilized by federal or state agencies for the purpose of determining the phthalate content in a solid substance. The term "TCEP Free" shall

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mean less than or equal to 25 parts ppm of any TCEP in any material, component of any Covered Product 2, determined by a minimum of duplicate quality controlled tests by an accredited U.S. laboratory using EPA testing methodologies 3545 and 8270C, or equivalent methodologies utilized by federal or state agencies to determine the presence, and measure the quantity, of TCEP in a solid substance.

"Manufactured" and "manufactures" have the meaning defined in Section 3(a)(10) of the Consumer Product Safety Act ("CPSA") [15 U.S.C. § 2052(a)(10)], as amended from time to time. nt.

# **3.** NON-MONETARY RELIEF

#### **3.1** Formulation Commitment

- **3.1.1** As of the Effective Date, Tingley shall only manufacture, import, distribute, sell and/or offer for sale in California Covered Products that are "Phthalate Free" and "TCEP Free" pursuant to Section 2.6 above or include the required Proposition 65 consumer health hazard warnings pursuant to Section 3.4 below.
- 3.1.2 Tingley represents as a material part of this settlement agreement that it has thoroughly, and in good faith, investigated chemical reformulation of the Covered Products to reduce or eliminate Proposition 65 listed phthalate plasticizers and chlorinated phosphate fire retardants in the Covered Products. After this investigation, Tingley has concluded that no substitute chemicals for the listed Proposition 65 constituents of Covered Products are available that would allow Tingley to manufacture the Covered Products to its current standards for durability, safety and performance. As such, reformulation is not a viable option at the present time and for the foreseeable future. Instead, Tingley shall continue to maintain a comprehensive customer notification and warning scheme for the Covered Products currently in place as required by this Agreement. Tingley agrees that, while it is in no way bound by this Agreement to achieve Covered Product reformulation in the future if reasonable substitute chemicals are not available, it will continue to evaluate alternative formulation of its rainwear products, in good faith, to identify and incorporate reasonable substitute chemicals for the Proposition 65 Listed Chemicals currently utilized in the Covered Products.

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3.2 Previously Obtained or Distributed Covered Products.

3.2.1 Customer Notification - No later than the Effective Date, Tingley shall send a letter, electronic or otherwise ("Notification Letter") to: (1) each California customer to which it, after January 1, 2015, supplied any Covered Product 1; (2) each U.S. customer that Tingley reasonably understands maintains any retail outlet in California and (3) any other California customer and/or retailer that Tingley reasonably understands or believes has any inventory of Covered Product 1. The Notification Letter shall advise the recipient that Covered Product 1 contains DEHP and TCEP, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer (TCEP) and birth defects or other reproductive harm (DEHP). The Notification letter shall direct recipient that all Covered Product 1 must be labeled with a clear and reasonable Proposition 65 warning before it is sold in the California market. The Notification Letter shall include a sheet of white background, adhesive Proposition 65 Warning stickers with the following warning in no less than Book Antiqua, point 8 font (or its equivalent):

> **WARNING:** this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm

The Notification Letter shall require written confirmation from the recipient, within 15 days of mailing, as to the number of Covered Product 1 and Covered Product 2 in their inventory and confirmation that all such inventory has been labelled with the warning language identified in this section.

3.2.2 Tingley shall maintain records of compliance correspondence, inventory reports or other communication confirming compliance with § 3.2.1 for three (3) years from the Effective Date and shall produce copies of such records upon written request by Davia.

#### 3.3 Products No Longer in Tingley's Control

Tingley certifies that on or about October 27, 2014, Tingley sent a letter, ("Original Notification Letter") to its large distribution customers and California retailers to which it supplied Covered Products at any time. The Notification Letter advised the recipient that Covered Products required a Proposition 65 Warning when shipped to California. The Notification Letter instructed them to

contact Tingley to obtain a Proposition 65 warning.

If Tingley discovers, within one year of the Effective Date, the identity of (1) any California retail customer to whom it supplied Covered Products at any time since October 27, 2014, (2) any of its vendors and retail customers located outside of California that is reasonably believes distributes and sells Covered Products into California or (3) any online vendors and retail customers selling Covered Products into California, that did not receive the above-referenced Notification Letter, then Tingley shall, within fifteen (15) days of such discovery, contact such customer or vendor and provide the above referenced Notification Letter.

# **3.4** Tingley Warning Obligations

Tingley certifies that it has already commenced a warning program whereby all Covered Products are labeled with a Proposition 65 warning. As of the Effective Date, Tingley shall not sell or ship any Covered Product to a California vendor or retailer, or sell or ship any Covered Product to a vendor or retailer that Tingley reasonably understands maintains retail outlets in California, unless such Covered Products are sold or shipped with one of the clear and reasonable warnings set forth hereafter.

The Parties acknowledge that Proposition 65 jurisdiction is limited to products shipped to California. Notwithstanding that jurisdictional limitation, Tingley has instituted and intends to maintain labeling of all Covered Products shipped to locations within the United States.

Each warning shall be prominently placed with such conspicuousness as compared with other words, statements, designs, or devices as to render it likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions *before* purchase or use. Each warning shall be provided in a manner such that the consumer or user understands to which *specific* Covered Product the warning applies, so as to minimize the risk of consumer confusion.

#### (a) **Retail Store Sales.**

(i) **Product Labeling.** For all Covered Products sold at to any entity that Tingley reasonably understands maintains retail outlets in California, Tingley shall affix a warning to the labeling or directly on the Covered Product that states:

**WARNING:** This product contains chemicals known

the designated symbol.

If Tingley elects to provide warnings in any mail order catalog, then the warnings must be included in all catalogs offering to sell one or more Covered Products printed after the Effective Date.

(ii) Internet Website Warning. A warning must be given in conjunction with the sale of any Covered Products by Tingley via the Internet, provided it appears either: (a) on the same web page on which a Covered Product is displayed; (b) on the same web page as the order form for a Covered Product; (c) on the same page as the price for any Covered Product; (d) on one or more web pages displayed to a purchaser during the checkout process; or (e) by a clearly marked hyperlink on the Product display page indicating "Proposition 65 Warning". The following warning statement shall be used and shall appear in any of the above instances adjacent to or immediately following the display, description, or price of the Covered Product for which it is given in the same type size or larger than the Covered Product description text:

**WARNING:** This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm

Alternatively, the designated symbol may appear adjacent to or immediately following the display, description, or price of the Covered Product for which a warning is being given, provided that the following warning statement also appears elsewhere on the same web page, as follows:

WARNING: Products identified on this page with the following symbol ▼ contain chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

# **3.5** ULINE Warning Obligations

No later than the Effective Date, ULINE shall send a memorandum to all distribution managers of all ULINE warehouses located in California or serving customers in California, requiring them to check their stock and inventory of Covered Products and pull any such Covered Product that does not have the Proposition 65 warning printed on its label or packaging. Within one week of the Effective Date, each such ULINE manager shall provide a written confirmation of completion of this task and identification of the number of each Covered Product pulled for lack of warning.

As of the Effective Date, ULINE shall not sell or ship any Covered Product in California or to a California address, unless such Covered Products are documented to be Phthalate Free and TCEP Free pursuant to Section 2.6 or sold or shipped with one of the clear and reasonable warnings set forth hereafter.

Each warning shall be prominently placed with such conspicuousness as compared with other words, statements, designs, or devices as to render it likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions *before* purchase or use. Each warning shall be provided in a manner such that the consumer or user understands to which *specific* Covered Product the warning applies, so as to minimize the risk of consumer confusion.

The warning obligations of this Section 3.5 do not apply to defendant Tingley.

#### (a) **Retail Store Sales.**

(i) **Product Labeling.** For all Covered Products sold from a California ULINE retail facility, to the extent not already done by another entity, ULINE shall affix a warning to the labeling or directly on the Covered Product that states:

**WARNING:** This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

(b) Internet Sales. As of November 1, 2016, for all Covered Products sold by ULINE via the Internet to customers located in California, or to customers who request a Covered Product be shipped to an address in California, any such Internet site offering any Covered Product for sale shall include a warning within the website, identifying the specific Covered Product to which the warning applies, as specified below.

A warning must be given in conjunction with the sale of any Covered Products by ULINE via the Internet, provided it appears either: (a) on the same web page on which a Covered Product is displayed; (b) on the same web page as the order form for a Covered Product; (c) on the same page as the price for any Covered Product; or (d) on one or more web pages displayed to a purchaser during the checkout process. The following warning statement shall be used and shall appear in any

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of the above instances adjacent to or immediately following the display, description, or price of the Covered Product for which it is given in the same type size or larger than the Covered Product description text:

**WARNING:** This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive

harm.

Alternatively, a designated symbol may appear adjacent to or immediately following the display, description, or price of the Covered Product for which a warning is being given, provided that the following warning statement, preceded by the designated symbol, also appears elsewhere on the same web page, as follows:

**WARNING:** This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

(c) Mail Order Catalog Warning. ULINE represents as a material part of this Agreement that it currently does not receive a material amount of California purchases of Covered Product directly through its printed catalog and that most customers reviewing the printed catalog typically purchase their products through the ULINE website or some other method. ULINE shall have no obligation under this Agreement to include any Proposition 65 warning for the Covered Products in any printed mail order catalog.

#### 4. MONETARY PAYMENTS

# 4.1 Civil Penalty Payment Pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b)

As a condition of settlement of all the claims referred to in this Consent to Judgment, Tingley Rubber Corporation shall pay a total of \$10,000 in civil penalties in accordance with California Health & Safety Code § 25249.12(c)(1) & (d), with 75% of the funds remitted to the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and the remaining 25% of the penalty remitted to Davia.

#### 4.2 Augmentation of Penalty Payments

For purposes of the penalty assessment under this Agreement, plaintiff is relying entirely upon Tingley and ULINE and their counsel for accurate, good faith reporting to plaintiff of the nature

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and amounts of relevant sales activity. If within nine (9) months of the Effective Date, plaintiff discovers and presents to Tingley or ULINE ("Notified Party") as the case may be, evidence that the sales data for the Durascrim products with product codes H56107, S18131, J56207 and S-18127 is materially different than those identified by such Notified Party prior to execution of this Agreement, then such misrepresenting Notified Party shall be liable for an additional penalty amount of \$150 per quantity of Responsible Covered Product sold prior to execution of this Agreement but not identified by such Notified Party to plaintiff. The Notified Party shall also be liable for any reasonable, additional attorney fees expended by plaintiff in discovering applicable additional retailers or sales for Notified Party, up to a maximum of \$10,000 absent further Court review and approval. Plaintiff agrees to provide such misrepresenting Notified Party with a written demand for all such additional penalties and attorney fees under this Section. After service of such demand, Notified Party shall have thirty (30) days to dispute plaintiff's assertion or to agree to the amount of fees and penalties owing and submit such payment to plaintiff in accordance with the method of payment of penalties and fees identified in Sections 4.4 and 4.5. Should this thirty (30) day period pass without any such resolution between the parties and payment of such additional penalties and fees, plaintiff shall be entitled to file a formal legal claim for additional civil penalties pursuant to this section and shall be entitled to all reasonable attorney fees and costs relating to such claim.

#### 4.3 Reimbursement of Plaintiff's Fees and Costs

The Parties acknowledge that Davia and her 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. Tingley and ULINE 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 Davia and her 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 in this matter, except fees that may be incurred on appeal. Under these legal principles, Tingley Rubber Corporation shall pay the amount of \$48,000 for fees and costs incurred investigating, litigating and enforcing this matter, including the fees and costs incurred (and yet to be incurred) negotiating,

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drafting, and obtaining the Court's approval of this Agreement in the public interest.

### 4.4 Payment Timing; Payments Held In Trust

Tingley shall deliver all settlement payment funds required by this Consent Judgment to its counsel within one week of the date that this Agreement is fully executed by the Parties. Tingley's counsel shall confirm receipt of settlement funds in writing to plaintiff's counsel and, thereafter, hold the amounts paid in trust until such time as the Court approves this settlement contemplated by Section 7.

Within five business days of the date the Court approves the settlement, Tingley's counsel shall deliver the settlement payments it has held in trust to plaintiff's counsel as follows:

- 1. a civil penalty check in the amount of \$7,500 payable to "OEHHA" (EIN: 68-0284486, Memo line "Prop 65 Penalties, 2015-01135");
- 2. a civil penalty check in the amount of \$2,500 payable to "Susan Davia" (EIN: to be supplied, Memo line "Prop 65 Penalties, 2015-01135"); and
- **3.** An attorney fee and cost reimbursement check, pursuant to Section 4.3, in the amount of \$48,000 payable to "Sheffer Law Firm" (EIN 55-08-58910, Memo line "2015-01135")

All penalty payments shall be delivered to the Sheffer Law Firm at the following address:

Sheffer Law Firm Attn: Proposition 65 Controller 81 Throckmorton Ave., Suite 202 Mill Valley, CA 94941

Tingley shall be liable for payment of interest, at a rate of 10% simple interest, for all amounts due and owing from it under this Section that are not received by Sheffer Law Firm within two business days of the due date for such payment.

#### 5. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASE

- **5.1** Davia's Releases of Settling Defendant
- **5.1.1** This Agreement is a full, final, and binding resolution between Davia, on behalf of herself, her past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, heirs, successors, and/or assignees, and in the interest of the general public, and Tingley and ULINE and each of their parents, subsidiaries, affiliated entities and common ownership, directors, officers, agents, employees,

attorneys, and each entity to whom Tingley and ULINE directly or indirectly distributes or sells the Covered Product 1 and 2, including but not limited to, downstream distributors, wholesalers, customers, retailers, franchisees, cooperative members, and licensees ("Defendant Releasees") of any violation of Proposition 65 that has been or could have been asserted against Defendant Releasees regarding the failure to warn about exposure to any Listed Chemical arising in connection with any Covered Products manufactured, sourced, distributed, or sold by Defendant Releasees prior to the Effective Date. Tingley and ULINE's compliance with this Agreement shall constitute compliance with Proposition 65 with respect to the Listed Chemical in the Covered Products after the Effective Date.

- 5.1.2 Davia, on behalf of herself, her past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, heirs, successors, and/or assignees, and in the public interest, hereby waives with respect to Covered Products all rights to institute or participate in, directly or indirectly, any form of legal action and releases all claims, including, without limitation, all actions, and causes of action, in law or in equity, suits, liabilities, demands, obligations, damages, costs, fines, penalties, losses, or expenses (including, but not limited to, investigation fees, expert fees, and attorneys' fees) of any nature whatsoever, whether known or unknown, fixed or contingent (collectively "claims"), against Defendant Releasees that arise under Proposition 65 or any other statutory or common law claims that were or could have been asserted in the public interest, as such claims relate to Defendant Releasees' alleged failure to warn about exposures to either Listed Chemical contained in any Covered Products as such claims are identified in plaintiff's Notices to defendant in Section 1.5.
- **5.1.3** This Section 5.1 release is expressly limited to any alleged violations that occur prior to six (6) months after the Effective Date and does not release any person, party or entity from any liability for any violation of Proposition 65 regarding any Covered Products that occurs more than six (6) months after the Effective Date.
- **5.1.4** The Parties further understand and agree that this Section 5.1 release shall not extend upstream to any entities that manufactured any Covered Product or any component parts thereof, or any distributors or suppliers who sold any Covered Products or any component parts thereof to

Defendants. Upon court approval of the Agreement, the Parties waive their respective rights to a hearing or trial on the allegations of the Complaint.

# **5.2** Settling Defendant's Release of Davia

- **5.2.1** Settling Defendants waives any and all claims against Davia, her attorneys, and other representatives for any and all actions taken or statements made (or those that could have been taken or made) by Davia and her attorneys and other representatives, whether in the course of investigating claims or otherwise seeking enforcement of Proposition 65 against it in this matter, and/or with respect to the Covered Products.
- **5.2.2** Each Settling Defendant also provides a general release herein 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 any Settling Defendant of any nature, character or kind, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, arising out of the subject matter of the Action. Each Settling Defendant acknowledges that it is familiar with Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which provides as follows:

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.

Each Settling Defendant expressly waives and relinquishes any and all rights and benefits that it may have under, or which may be conferred on it by the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code as well as under any other state or federal statute or common law principle of similar effect, to the fullest extent that it may lawfully waive such rights or benefits pertaining to the released matters. In furtherance of such intention, the release hereby given shall be and remain in effect as a full and complete release notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different claims or facts arising out of the released matters.

#### **6.** SEVERABILITY

If, subsequent to court approval of this Agreement, any of the provisions of this Agreement are determined by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the enforceable provisions remaining shall not be adversely affected, unless the Court finds that any unenforceable provision is not

severable from the remainder of the Agreement.

#### **7.** COURT APPROVAL

This Agreement is effective upon execution but must also be approved by the Court. If this Agreement is not approved by the Court in its entirety, the Parties shall meet and confer to determine whether to modify the terms of the Agreement and to resubmit it for approval. In meeting and conferring, the Parties agree to undertake any actions reasonably necessary to amend and/or modify this Agreement in order to further the mutual intention of the Parties in entering into this Agreement.

The Agreement shall become null and void if, for any reason, it is not approved and entered by the Court, as it is executed, within one year after it has been fully executed by all Parties. If the Agreement becomes null and void after any payment of monies under this agreement to The Sheffer Law Firm in trust, such monies shall be returned to defendant by payment of such monies to counsel of each defendant in trust for that defendant.

If this Agreement is not entered by the Court, and the Parties have exhausted their meet and confer efforts pursuant to this Section 7, upon 15 days written notice, the law firm holding the settlement funds in trust shall refund any and all payments made into its trust account by Settling Defendants as requested.

#### **8.** GOVERNING LAW

The terms of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.

#### **9.** NOTICES

When any Party is entitled to receive any notice under this Agreement, the notice shall be sent by certified mail and electronic mail to the following:

For Tingley Rubber Corporation to:

Dr. Michael Zedalis Tingley Rubber Corporation 1551 So. Washington Street, Suite 403 Piscataway, NJ 08854

With copy to their counsel at:

Anthony J. Reitano, Esq. Herold Law

| 1  | 25 Independence Boulevard<br>Warren, NJ 07059   |  |  |
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| 2  | R. Morgan Gilhuly   |  |  |
| 3  | Barg Coffin Lewis & Trapp, LLP  |  |  |
| 4  | 350 California Street, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Floor<br>San Francisco, CA 94104-1435                       |  |  |
| 5  | For Uline, Inc. to:   |  |  |
| 6  | Director of Legal Affairs   |  |  |
| 7  | Uline, Inc.   |  |  |
| 8  | 12575 Uline Drive<br>Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158   |  |  |
| 9  | With copy to their counsel at:  |  |  |
| 10 | Megan O. Curran   |  |  |
| 11 | Foley & Lardner LLP   |  |  |
| 12 | 555 California Street   Suite 1700<br>San Francisco, CA 94104-1520                                  |  |  |
| 13 | For Davia to:   |  |  |
| 14 | Proposition 65 Coordinator  |  |  |
| 15 | Sheffer Law Firm<br>81 Throckmorton Ave., Suite 202   |  |  |
| 16 | Mill Valley, CA 94941   |  |  |
| 17 | Any Party may modify the person and address to whom the notice is to be sent by sending each other  |  |  |
| 18 | Party notice by certified mail and/or other verifiable form of written communication.               |  |  |
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| 20 | 10. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 25249.7(F)   |  |  |
| 21 | Davia agrees to comply with the reporting form requirements referenced, in California Health        |  |  |
| 22 | & Safety Code §25249.7(f) and to file a motion for approval of this Agreement.                      |  |  |
| 23 | 11. MODIFICATION  |  |  |
|    | This Agreement may be modified only: (1) by written agreement of the Parties; or (2) upon a         |  |  |
| 24 | successful motion of any party and approval of a modified Agreement by the Court. In the event      |  |  |
| 25 | that California law changes or DEHP or TCEP is de-listed by or thorough OEHHA as a chemical         |  |  |
| 26 | known to the State of California cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, and such change  |  |  |
| 27 | or de-listing is considered by any Settling Defendant to eliminate or otherwise modify any of their |  |  |

obligations created by this Agreement, such Settling Defendant shall be entitled to seek a modification or termination of its obligations under this Agreement. To seek such modification or termination of its obligations pursuant to this Section, Settling Defendant must first provide notice to plaintiff of such intention, which notice shall identify the exact modification or termination it is seeking and provide the legal and factual basis supporting any such modification or termination. The Parties must thereafter, for a period of no less than thirty (30) days, meet and confer in good faith in an attempt to reach a written agreement on such modification or termination. Only after the failure of such meet and confer efforts shall Settling Defendant be entitled to, upon proper legal notice to plaintiff, her counsel and the Office of the Attorney General of the State of California, bring a motion in the Marin County Superior Court for an order modifying or eliminating such Settling Defendant's obligations under this Agreement.

#### 12. ADDITIONAL POST-EXECUTION ACTIVITIES

The parties acknowledge that, pursuant to Health & Safety Code §25249.7, a noticed motion is required to obtain judicial approval of this Agreement. In furtherance of obtaining such approval, Davia and each Settling Defendant, and their respective counsel, agree to mutually employ their best efforts to support the entry of this Agreement as a settlement agreement and obtain approval of the Agreement - sufficient to render an order approving this agreement - by the Court in a timely manner. Any effort by Tingley or ULINE to impede judicial approval of this Agreement shall subject such impeding party to liability for attorney fees and costs incurred by plaintiff or her counsel in their efforts to meet or oppose such party's impeding conduct.

#### **13.** ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Settlement contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter hereof, and any and all prior discussions, negotiations, commitments, and understandings related hereto. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those contained herein have been made by any Party hereto. No other agreements not specifically referred to herein, oral or otherwise, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the Parties. No supplementation, modification, waiver, or termination of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by the Party to be bound. No waiver of any of the provisions

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of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any of the other provisions whether or not similar, nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver

#### **14.** ATTORNEY'S FEES

- 14.1 Should Davia prevail on any motion, application for order to show cause or other proceeding to enforce a violation of this Agreement, Davia shall be entitled to her reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred as a result of such motion, order or application, consistent with C.C.P. §1021.5. Should Tingley or ULINE prevail on any motion, application for order to show cause or other proceeding to enforce a violation of this Consent Judgment, such party shall be entitled to its reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred as a result of such motion, order or application.
- **14.2** Except as specifically provided in the above paragraph and in Section 4.3, each Party shall bear its own costs and attorney's fees in connection with this action.
- **14.3** Nothing in this Section 14 shall preclude a Party from seeking an award of sanctions pursuant to law.

#### **15.** NEUTRAL CONSTRUCTION

All Parties and their counsel have participated in the preparation of this Agreement and this Agreement is the result of the joint efforts of the Parties. This Agreement was subject to revision and modification by the Parties and has been accepted and approved as to its final form by all Parties and their counsel. Accordingly, any uncertainty or ambiguity existing in this Agreement shall not be interpreted against any Party as a result of the manner of the preparation of this Agreement. Each Party to this Agreement agrees that any statute or rule of construction providing that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting Party should not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement and, in this regard, the Parties hereby waive California Civil Code Section 1654.

#### **16.** COUNTERPARTS, FACSIMILE SIGNATURES

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

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# 17. AUTHORIZATION

The undersigned parties and their counsel are authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of their respective Parties and have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

# IT IS SO AGREED

| Dated: October 3, 2016                    | Dated: October, 2016                              |
|---|---|
| Plaintiff Susan Davia                     | Dr. Michael Zedalis<br>Tingley Rubber Corporation |
| Dated: October, 2016                      |   |
| Phillip D. Hunt, Executive Vice President |   |

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#### IT IS SO AGREED

| Dated: October, 2016     | Dated: October, 2016                           |
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| Plaintiff Susan Davia    | Dr. Michael Zedalis Tingley Rubber Corporation |
| Dated: October 1/2, 2016 |  |
| Phillip D. Hunt,         |  |
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| Executive Vice President |  |
| Uline, Inc.              |  |