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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 **Parties**

This consent judgment ("Consent Judgment") is entered into by and between plaintiff Shefa LMV, Inc. ("Shefa" or "Plaintiff") and GRISI HNOS., S.A. DE C.V ("Defendant") (Plaintiff and Defendant individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties.")

1.2 Plaintiff

Shefa is a public benefit, non-profit corporation that seeks to promote awareness of exposures to toxic chemicals and to improve human health by reducing or eliminating hazardous substances contained in consumer products.

1.3 **Settling Defendant**

Defendant employs ten (10) or more persons and is a person in the course of doing business for purposes of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, Health and Safety Code §25249.6 et seq. ("Proposition 65").

1.4 **Products Covered**

The products covered by this Consent Judgment are lotion products, including, but not limited to, Aloe Vera Savila Face & Body Lotion UPC037836000386, that are manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale in California by Defendant that contain Diethanolamine ("DEA") (the "Covered Products").

1.5 **General Allegations**

Shefa alleges that Defendant manufactures, imports, sells, or distributes, for sale in the state of California, the Covered Products without first providing a clear and reasonable warning required by Proposition 65. DEA (CAS # 111-42-2) is a chemical listed under Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the state to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity. Defendant denies the claims of alleged violations asserted against it by Shefa and denies that it has any liability under Proposition 65.

1.6 Notice of Violation

On March 16, 2018, Shefa served Defendant and the requisite public enforcement agencies



with a 60-Day Notice of Violation (the "Notice") alleging that Defendant violated Proposition 65 when it failed to warn its customers and consumers in California that the Covered Products expose users to DEA. To the best of the Parties' knowledge, no public enforcer has commenced and is diligently prosecuting the allegations set forth in the Notice.

1.7 Complaint

On February 14, 2019, Shefa filed the instant complaint in the Superior Court in and for the County of Los Angeles against Defendant, alleging violations of California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6, based on exposures to DEA contained in the Covered Products sold in the State of California (the "Complaint").

1.8 No Admission

Defendant denies the material, factual, and legal allegations contained in the Notice and Complaint and maintains that all the products it has manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale in California, including the Covered Products, have been, and are, in compliance with all laws.

Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission by Defendant of any fact, finding, conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation of law; nor shall compliance with this Consent Judgment constitute or be construed as an admission by Defendant of any fact, finding, conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation of law, the same being specifically denied by Defendant. This section shall not, however, diminish or otherwise affect Defendant's obligations, responsibilities, and duties under this Consent Judgment.

1.9 Consent to Jurisdiction

For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate: a) this Court has jurisdiction over Defendant as to the allegations in the Complaint; b) venue is proper in the County of Los Angeles; c) the Defendant employs or has employed ten or more persons during time periods relevant to the Complaint; and d) this Court has jurisdiction over the Parties to enter and enforce the provisions of this Consent Judgment pursuant to Proposition 65.

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1.10 Effective Date

For purposes of this Consent Judgment, the term "Effective Date" shall mean the date the Consent Judgment is approved and entered by the Court.

2. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF: REFORMULATION AND WARNINGS

2.1 Reformulation

Any Covered Products manufactured after the Effective Date that are thereafter sold in California or distributed for sale in California by Defendant shall not contain DEA in the Covered Products, unless such Covered Products comply with the warning requirements of Section 2.2.

2.2 Warning

In lieu of the reformulation requirement in Section 2.1, for any Covered Products manufactured after the Effective Date that are thereafter sold in California or distributed in California by Defendant, such Covered Products shall contain warnings in compliance with Section 2.2. The warnings shall be provided in a conspicuous and prominent manner such that they will be likely to be read or seen by the consumer prior to or at the time of the sale or purchase. The Parties agree that one of the warnings set forth below shall constitute compliance with Proposition 65 with respect to any Covered Products that are not reformulated:

- (a) the text, "WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals, including diethanolamine, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer.

 For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov." accompanied by and placed to the right of a symbol consisting of a black exclamation point in a yellow equilateral triangle with a bold black outline sized to be no smaller than the word, "WARNING" as provided by regulations adopted on or about August 30, 2016; or
- (b) the text, "WARNING: Cancer www.P65Warnings.ca.gov." accompanied by and placed to the right of a symbol consisting of a black exclamation point in a yellow equilateral triangle with a bold black outline sized to be no smaller than the word,



"WARNING" as provided by regulations adopted on or about August 30, 2016.

The triangular warning symbol specified in Section 3.3(a) and 3.3(b) shall be in yellow with a black exclamation mark; *provided however*, the symbol may be printed in black and white if the Covered Product label is not printed against a yellow background.

2.3 Covered Products in the Stream of Commerce.

Defendant's Covered Products that were manufactured on or before the Effective Date shall be subject to the release of liability pursuant to Section 4 of this Consent Judgment, without regard to when such Covered Products were, or are in the future, sold to consumers. As a result, the obligations of Defendant as set forth in this Section 2 do not apply to such Covered Products.

3. MONETARY SETTLEMENT TERMS

- 3.1 Payment from Defendant. Within ten (10) business days of the Effective Date, Defendant shall make a total settlement payment ("Total Settlement Payment") of \$22,000.00.
- **3.2** Allocation of Payments. The Total Settlement Payment shall be paid in three (3) separate checks made payable and allocated as follows:
- 3.2.1 Civil Penalty. Defendant shall pay \$4,000.00 as a civil penalty pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b). The civil penalty shall be apportioned in accordance with Health & Safety Code § 25249.12 (25% to Shefa and 75% to the State of California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA")). Accordingly, the OEHHA portion of the civil penalty payment in the amount of \$3,000.00 shall be made payable to OEHHA and associated with taxpayer identification number 68-0284486. This payment shall be delivered as follows:

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



The Shefa portion of the civil penalty payment in the amount of \$1,000.00 shall be made payable to Shefa LMV, Inc. and associated with taxpayer identification number 81-0907002. This payment shall be delivered to the Law Office of Daniel N. Greenbaum, 7120 Hayvenhurst Ave, Suite 320, Van Nuys, CA 91406.

3.2.2 Attorney's Fees and Costs. A reimbursement of Shefa's attorney's fees and costs in the amount of \$18,000.00 payable to the "Law Office of Daniel N. Greenbaum," and associated with taxpayer identification number 46-4580172. This payment shall be delivered to the Law Office of Daniel N. Greenbaum, 7120 Hayvenhurst Ave, Suite 320, Van Nuys, CA 91406.

4. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED

4.1 Public Release

This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between Shefa and Defendant of any violation of Proposition 65 that was or could have been asserted by Shefa, acting on behalf of itself and in a representative capacity in the public interest under Health & Safety Code § 25249.7, against Defendant, its parents, subsidiaries, affiliated entities, manufacturers, suppliers, directors, officers, employees, and attorneys, and each entity to whom they directly or indirectly exports, distributes or sells the Covered Products, including, without limitation, distributors, wholesalers, customers, franchisees, cooperative members, licensors, licensees, and retailers (including but not limited to Kmart Corporation and its related entities), and the predecessors, successors, or assigns of each of them (collectively, "Releasees"), based on failure to warn of alleged exposures to DEA from Covered Products manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale in California by Defendant and Releasees prior to the Effective Date. The release in this Section 4.1 applies to all Covered Products that Defendant manufactured, distributed, or sold prior to the Effective Date, regardless of the date any other Releasee distributes or sells the Covered Products.

Compliance by Defendant with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall constitute compliance with Proposition 65 by Defendant and the Releasees with respect to DEA in Covered

Products manufactured, sold, or distributed on and after the Effective Date.

4.2 Shefa's Individual Release of Claims

In further consideration of the promises and agreements herein contained, Shefa, on its own behalf and on behalf of its past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, successors, and/or assignees, hereby waives all rights to institute or participate in, directly or indirectly, any form of legal action, and releases all claims that it may have against Defendant and Releasees, including, without limitation, all actions and causes of action, suits, liabilities, demands, obligations, damages, costs, fines, penalties, losses, or expenses, including, without limitation, investigation fees, expert fees, and attorneys' fees (collectively, "Claims") arising under Proposition 65 or any other statutory or common law for unwarned exposures to DEA from Covered Products manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale by Defendant and the Releasees prior to the Effective Date. The releases in Section 4.2 are provided in Shefa's individual capacity and are not releases on behalf of the public.

4.3 Defendant's Release of Shefa

Defendant, on its own behalf and on behalf of its past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, successors, and assignees, hereby waives any and all Claims that it may have against Shefa and its attorneys and other representatives, for any and all actions taken or statements made by Shefa and its attorneys and other representatives in the course of investigating the claims set forth in the Complaint or otherwise seeking to enforce Proposition 65 against it in this matter.

4.4 Release of Unknown Claims

It is possible that other claims not known to the Parties arising out of the facts contained in the Notice, or alleged in the Complaint, relating to the Covered Products, will hereafter be discovered or developed. Shefa, on behalf of itself only, acknowledges that this Consent Judgment is expressly intended to cover and include all such claims through and including the Effective Date, including all rights of action therefor. Shefa acknowledges that the claims released in Sections 4.1 and 4.2 may include unknown claims, and nevertheless Shefa intends to release such claims, and in doing so waives California Civil Code § 1542, which reads as follows:



A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

Shefa understands and acknowledges that the significance and consequence of this waiver of California Civil Code § 1542 is that, even if Shefa suffers future damages arising out of or resulting from, or related directly or indirectly to, in whole or in part, the Covered Products, including but not limited to any exposure to, or failure to warn with respect to exposure to, the Covered Products, Shefa will not be able to make any claim for those damages against Defendant or any of the Releasees.

4.5 Nothing in Section 4 affects any Party's right to enforce the terms of this Consent Judgment.

5. COURT APPROVAL

This Consent Judgment is not effective until it is approved and entered by the Court.

6. GOVERNING LAW

The terms of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by the laws of the State of California and apply within the State of California. In the event that Proposition 65 is repealed or is otherwise rendered inapplicable by reason of law generally, or as to the Covered Products, then Defendant may provide written notice to Shefa of any asserted change in the law, and with the exception of Sections 3.1 and 3.2 above, have no further obligations pursuant to this Consent Judgment, with respect to, and to the extent that, the Covered Products are so affected. None of the terms of this Consent Judgment shall have any application to Covered Products sold outside of the State of California.

7. NOTICE

Unless specified herein, all correspondence and notices required to be provided pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be in writing and sent by email or if requested by Defendant, the

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following service methods are allowed: (i) personal delivery; (ii) first-class, registered or certified mail, return receipt requested; or (iii) a recognized overnight courier on any Party by the other at the following addresses:

To Defendant:

To Shefa:

Sarah Esmaili, Esq. Arnold & Porter Three Embarcadero Center, 10th Floor San Francisco, CA 94111 Daniel N. Greenbaum Law Office of Daniel N. Greenbaum 7120 Hayvenhurst Ave., Suite 320 Van Nuys, CA 91406

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

8. COUNTERPARTS; FACSIMILE AND PDF SIGNATURES

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

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

Plaintiff agrees to comply with the reporting form requirements referenced in California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(f).

10. POST EXECUTION ACTIVITIES

The Parties acknowledge that, pursuant to California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(f), Shefa is obligated to file a noticed motion to obtain judicial approval of this Consent Judgment.

Upon the Parties' execution of this Consent Judgment, Shefa promptly shall proceed to submit this Consent Judgment to the Court with a motion seeking Court approval.

11. MODIFICATION

This Consent Judgment may only be modified by a written instrument executed by the Party or Parties to be bound thereby, and after approval by the Court upon a noticed motion. Any motion to modify shall be served on all Parties and the Office of the Attorney General.



12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

If either Party determines at a future date that a violation of this Consent Judgment has occurred, that Party shall provide notice to the other Party. Prior to bringing any action to enforce any requirement of this Consent Judgment, the Party alleging a violation of this Consent Judgment shall provide the other Party with written notice of the grounds for such allegation together with all supporting information as well as a complete demand for the relief sought. The Parties shall then meet and confer regarding the basis for the allegation to resolve the matter informally, including providing the Party alleged to be in violation with a reasonable opportunity of at least thirty (30) days to cure any alleged violation. Should such attempt at informal resolution fail, the Party alleging a violation may institute a proceeding or lawsuit seeking the proposed relief. In any such judicial proceeding or lawsuit, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. For purposes of this Section 12, the prevailing Party refers to the Party that was successful in obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the other Party was amenable to providing during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute.

13. AUTHORIZATION

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

Date: 3/15/2019

SHEFA LMV, INC.

AGREED TO:

Date: March

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