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August 31, 2006

**SIXTY-DAY NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Eugene Gonzalez, President  
VICNAT, Inc.  
730 Stanyan  
San Francisco, CA 94117

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

California's Proposition 65 (which can be found at Sections 25249.6 et seq. of the Health & Safety Code) is designed to promote awareness of potential exposures to toxic chemicals and improve human health by reducing or eliminating hazardous substances contained in consumer products or produced by industrial activities. Attached to this letter is a copy of "Proposition 65: A Summary", which has been prepared by the State of California, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA"). OEHHA may be contacted at 916-445-6900. OEHHA's web site pertaining to Proposition 65 may be found at: <http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html>.

RMKB and Alicia Moore ("Plaintiff") hereby give you notice that your VICNAT, Inc. establishment has been, is currently, and threaten to be in violation of California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6; this sixty-day notice is sent to you in compliance with § 25249.7(d) California Health & Safety Code. Both RMKB and Plaintiff are private enforcers of Proposition 65, as provided by California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(d). You may contact both RMKB and Plaintiff at the above listed address and telephone number; I am counsel for and represent Plaintiff in this matter.

The above-referenced violations occur when California consumers purchase and ingest your French fry product (the "Product"). The Product contains naphthalene, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer and reproductive toxicity. California residents are exposed to naphthalene when they ingest the Product. This naphthalene is then absorbed into the body through the gastrointestinal tract wherein it causes the harm noted.

Your business did not and does not provide consumers with clear and reasonable warnings before it exposes them to naphthalene, as required by Health & Safety Code § 25249.6. These violations have occurred every day for at least the last year, and will continue every day until the naphthalene is removed from the Product or until clear and reasonable warnings are

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given. The Proposition 65 violations noted herein occur in each of California's 58 counties, or in such Counties as your Product are sold or consumed.

Sincerely,



Thomas H. Clarke, Jr.

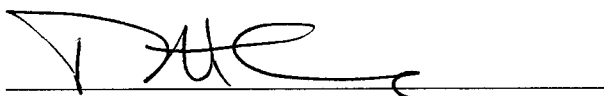
IRS CIRCULAR 230 NOTICE: To ensure compliance with requirements imposed by the Internal Revenue Service, we inform you that any U.S. tax advice contained in this communication (or in any attachment) is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used, for the purpose of (i) avoiding penalties under the Internal Revenue Code or (ii) promoting, marketing or recommending to another party any transaction or matter addressed in this communication (or in any attachment).

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT**  
**Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)**

I, Thomas H. Clarke, Jr., hereby declare:

1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice(s) in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notices have violated Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
2. I am the attorney for the noticing parties.
3. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the alleged exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.
4. Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on all 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 plaintiffs' case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
5. The copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health & Safety Code Section 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: August 31, 2006

  
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Thomas H. Clarke, Jr.

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I am a citizen of the United States. My business address is 333 Market Street, Suite 3150, San Francisco, CA 94105. I am employed in the County of San Francisco where this service occurs. I am over the age of 18 years, and not a party to the within cause. I am readily familiar with my employer's normal business practice for collection and processing of correspondence for ailing with the U.S. Postal Service, and that practice is that correspondence is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service the same day as the day of collection in the ordinary course of business.

On the date set forth below, following ordinary business practice, I served a true copy of the foregoing document(s) described as:

- **Sixty-Day Notice of Violation;**
- **Certificate of Merit;**
- **The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): A Summary**

(BY MAIL) I caused such envelope(s) with postage thereon fully prepaid to be placed in the United States mail at San Francisco, California.

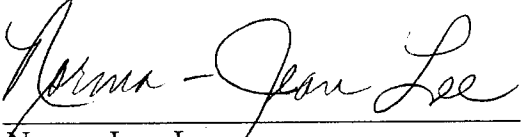
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(State) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

Executed on August 31, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

  
Norma-Jean Lee