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MARCH 31, 2009

**NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND
TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986
(California Health and Safety Code §25249.5 et seq.)**

AMENDED NOTICE

TO

Liggett Group, Inc., AKA Liggett Vector Brands Inc.;
Lorillard Tobacco Co.;
Philip Morris USA Inc., AKA Altria Group;
R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, AKA RJR Tobacco Holdings RJR,
AKA R.J Reynolds, et al

PRIORITY MAIL- Signature Confirmation Requested

**TO THE PARTIES LISTED ON THE
ATTACHED DISTRIBUTION LIST**

Dear Mr. President, Liggett Group, Inc., AKA Liggett Vector Brands; Mr. Ronald J. Berstein,

Dear Mr. President: Lorillard Tobacco Co., Inc. Mr. Martin Orlowsky;

Dear Mr. Sr. Vice-President: Philip Morris USA Inc. AKA Altria Group; Mr. Murray Garnick, General Counsel

Dear Ms. President: R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company AKA RJR Tobacco Holdings RJR, et al Ms. Susan Ivey;

Dear Sir or Madam:

Environmental World Watch, Inc. (the "Noticing Party") serves this Notice of Violation ("Notice") upon Liggett Group, Inc., AKA Liggett Vector Brands; Lorillard Tobacco Co., Inc.; Philip Morris USA Inc. AKA Altria Group; R.J. Reynolds Tobacco, AKA RJR Tobacco Holdings RJR, et al, (hereinafter "CIGARETTE VIOLATORS") pursuant to and in compliance with California Health and Safety Code ("H&S Code") §25249.7(d) and 22 California Code of Regulations ("CCR") §12903. This Notice satisfies a prerequisite for Noticing Party to commence an action against CIGARETTE VIOLATOR to enforce the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986. The violations addressed by this Notice occur in every county and city in California. This Notice is being served upon each violator, the California Attorney General, the district attorney of every California County and the city attorney of every California City with a population (according to the most recent decennial census) of over 750,000. If the above CIGARETTE VIOLATOR has a current registration with the California Secretary of State that identifies a Chief Executive Officer, President, or General Counsel, this Notice is being addressed to, and served upon, one of those persons.

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Attached previously in other original Notice [s] was a copy of "The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): A Summary. Copies of the Summary are not required to be, and are not being provided here in the AMENDED NOTICE.

Description of the Noticing Party, the Alleged Violator, and the Alleged Violations Addressed by this Notice:

- This Notice is provided by Environmental World Watch, Inc. Environmental World Watch, Inc. (hereinafter "EWW"), is based in Los Angeles and is registered as a Delaware corporation with the office of the California Secretary of State. EWW is acting in the public interest pursuant to H&S Code §25249.7(d), and is dedicated to protecting the environment, improving human health and supporting environmentally sound practices.
- The violators' names: With the violators' addresses at the Distribution Page:

Liggett Group, Inc., AKA Liggett Vector Brands;
Lorillard Tobacco Co.;
Philip Morris USA Inc., AKA Altria Group;
R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, AKA RJR Tobacco Holdings RJR, et al.
- The violations addressed by this Notice began on or after January 1, 1991, have occurred on numerous occasions each and every day since January 1, 1991, and are ongoing and continuing.
- This Notice of Violation covers the "warning provision" of Proposition 65, which is found at H&S Code §25249.6.
- The name of each chemical that is listed pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 involved in the violations addressed by this Notice is Acrylamide, Benzo [a] Pyrene, and Chromium VI; (the "Listed Chemical[s]"). The Listed Chemical is listed (and has been so listed for more than twelve months) by the Governor of the State of California as being a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity, or both cancer and reproductive toxicity. See Exhibit B attached hereto.
- The routes of exposure for the violations addressed by this Notice is inhalation, however there also is a danger of ingestion and dermal exposures, especially in environmental and occupational setting[s]. There is also a danger of a dermal exposure while rain events wash CIGARETTE VIOLATOR contaminants out of the ambient air.
- The type of product as a air contamination conveyance that does release "Toxic Air Contaminants" [TAC's]. and subsequently causes environmental, and occupational exposures addressed by this Notice are cigarettes and cigars, including but not limited to, the following illustrative products:

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TABLE A

Altria Brands, Reynolds Brands, Lorillard and Liggett Brands:

Camel, Winston and Kool, Viceroy, Raleigh, Barclay, Balaire, Copre, Fact, Richland and GPC,
Harley Davidson, Kent, Max, Satin, Newport, Old Gold, Style, Triumph and True. Basic, Benson & Hedges,
Bristol, Cambridge, Chesterfield, Commander, Dave's, English Ovals, L&M, Lark, Marlboro, Merit,
Parliament, Players, Saratoga, Virginia Slims; *et al.*

- There are numerous sources of the exposures addressed in this Notice. These exposures occur in homes, the workplace and everywhere else in California where these products are smoked and downwind of these releases or where people just breathe the ambient air and not a part of the actual product purchase or its decision regarding use. The cigarettes are actually smoked thus making the cigarette a "source of air contaminants" while the listed chemicals are released into the ambient air as further environmental contamination. This contamination can be gauged and quantified by percentage "contribution". Innocent persons have been breathing and will breathe these same listed chemicals, also known as TAC's, to their detriment absent environmental warnings, including but not limited to signs, Notices in media materials and other media vehicles such as billboards. These exposures occur principally off the property of the Noticed Company.
- In the course of doing business, CIGARETTE VIOLATORS have and did knowingly and intentionally expose, and continue to expose, individuals (especially pregnant and post-partum women) to the Listed Chemicals. No clear and reasonable warning is or has been provided by CIGARETTE VIOLATORS to individuals or groups, in everyday activities separate and apart from actual smokers, regarding exposure to the Listed Chemicals or regarding the fact that the Listed Chemicals are known to the State of California to be a carcinogen, reproductive toxicant, or both a carcinogen and reproductive toxicant in conformity with Health and Safety Code section 25249.6.
- These exposures have gone on from 1991 and are ongoing and continuing as EWW believes and so alleges that CIGARETTE VIOLATORS have tolled the statute of limitations by fraudulent concealment of the existence of Acrylamide in cigarette waste streams. This failure to warn of the identification of the chemicals released, specifically but not limited to, Acrylamide released during the use from their products as air contaminant conveyances, withholds any meaningful information from those persons that required warning. The actual package of the offending and dangerous CIGARETTE VIOLATOR product, manufactured or otherwise caused to be distributed for sale in California, are labeled in various health warning versions of advisement, but this message is not reasonably expected to be seen or heard by persons in normal daily activities. Nor is this label consistent with the actual source of the ambient air contamination delineated herein.

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- All or most of the 58 Counties identified at the Distribution page herein have levels or contributions of air contamination. Many counties are identified by EPA as non-attainment by the various levels of just one listed reproductive toxicant, released by CIGARETTE VIOLATORS, and not a part of this Notice: carbon monoxide.
- As a note, but further not a part of this Notice, is the fact that, in a strict view of the CIGARETTE VIOLATORS labels that are on these products is the observation that the labels are further absent any warning that would meet the definition delineated at Title 22 CCR §12601(b)(1)(A), nor do they comply with section (b)(3) and (b)(4)(B) of that regulation.
- The carcinogens or reproductive toxicants, contained in the releases and exposures of the Noticed products, and subject to the warning requirements of H&S Code §25249.6 and more specifically 22 CCR §12601(b) *et seq.* are listed below:

Acrylamide,
Chromium VI,
Benzo [a] Pyrene,

- The aforementioned carcinogens/reproductive toxicants are on the Governor's list (Prop 65 List) as expressed at 22 CCR §12000. These chemicals are known to the State of California to cause carcinogenic/ and or reproductive harm to humans requiring special warning labels and care in handling and use. The concentrations of these listed chemicals once released by the CIGARETTE VIOLATORS subject product via air emissions and then exposures via inhalation or by persons breathing the listed chemicals, that are also "Toxic Air Contaminants", and exceed the No Significant Risk Level ("NSRL") threshold identified by OEHHA. The NSRL of .001 microgram per day for Chromium VI, a listed chemical alleged to be released here and at levels which regularly exceed the said NSRL, is especially egregious as this chemical is listed also as a "known to be human carcinogen" by NTP requiring very special use and handling. This chemical as a "known carcinogen", on information and belief, also causes a "unreasonably risk" in the said environments identified in this Notice and the mere presence in any CIGARETTE VIOLATORS product waste stream constitutes other violations of these same Health and Safety codes asserted here, but not a part of this Notice.
- The principal route of exposure is through inhalation, and ingestion. There is a further danger of contacting these carcinogens via a dermal exposure while using the CIGARETTE VIOLATORS product as intended by the manufacture. These exposures have gone on since January 1 1991, and are ongoing and continuing at every place in California that the products listed in TABLE A are offered for sale and use. All references to "exposure" in this Notice shall be understood to be exposures to the specific product lines in said TABLE and the listed chemicals emitted out of those products during use.

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- The sale by CIGARETTE VIOLATORS, or its agents, of these products constitutes a chain of transfer of a known carcinogenic chemical into the environment and the normal use of the product by the purchaser or others will cause the environmental exposure without a clear and reasonable warning.
- The location of these alleged exposures are many and varied while occurring within the 58 counties of the state of California as evidenced by the District Attorneys addressed in the enclosed distribution list. EWW believes and so alleges that at least one of the jurisdictions identified had CIGARETTE VIOLATORS products sold within that county by a CIGARETTE VIOLATORS retail distributor and that sale caused the utilization of the product and subsequent environmental exposure.
- Further, that usage caused exposures in these 58 jurisdictions to the constituents of the product as identified herein, and those exposures by CIGARETTE VIOLATORS were allowed to take place without the prerequisite warnings as delineated by the applicable statutes specified in this Notice, including but not limited to CCR 12601 et seq.
- Please direct any inquiries regarding this Notice or any communication with the responsible party Dennis Becvar for the noticing entity, Environmental World Watch, Inc. to:

Matthew E. Jackson
Environmental World Watch Corp Headquarters,
Los Angeles Offices
4821 Lankershim Blvd Ste 239, Code F
North Hollywood, California 91601

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EXHIBIT B
NOTICED PARTIES:

Liggett Group, Inc., AKA Liggett Vector Brands, Lorillard Tobacco Co., Inc.;
Philip Morris USA Inc. AKA Altria Group;
R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company AKA RJR Tobacco Holdings RJR, et al

List Of Chemicals Contained In The Attached 60-Day Notice of Violation That Are Listed By The Governor Of The State Of California As Being Known To The State Of California To Cause Cancer Or Reproductive Toxicity

CARCINOGENS

<u>Chemical</u>	<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>Date Added to List</u>
Acrylamide	79061	January 1, 1990
Chromium VI [Hexavalent and its compounds]	*****	Feb 27, 1987
Benzo [a] Pyrene,	50-32-8	July 1, 1987

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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT
HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.7(d)

- ACRYLAMIDE
- CHROMIUM VI
- Benzo [a] Pyrene,

NOTICED PARTY:

Liggett Group, Inc. AKA Liggett Vector Brands.; Lorillard Tobacco Co., Inc.;

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I, MATTHEW E. JACKSON, on behalf of Environmental World Watch, Inc., hereby declare:

1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day Notice(s) in which it is alleged that the parties identified in the Notices have violated California Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
2. I am the attorney for the noticing party.
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 exposure to the listed chemical(s) that is the subject of this action.
4. Based upon the information obtained through those consultations, and 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 private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all the 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 and safety Code section 24249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the person consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Date: March 31, 2009

Signed by:


Matthew E. Jackson, Esq.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this case. I am a resident of or employed in the county where the mailing occurred. My business address is 4821 Lankershim Blvd Ste 239, NH 91601.

On March 31, 2009 I served copies of the documents listed immediately hereafter by first class mail by placing same in sealed envelopes, fully preparing postage thereon, and depositing said envelopes in the U.S. Mail at Los Angeles, California. Said envelopes were addressed as follows:

SEE ATTACHED DISTRIBUTION LIST

(Sent via Priority Mail with applicable postage to those parties listed so identified)

Documents mailed:

- 1. NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (California Health and Safety Code §25249.5 et seq.)**

TO: Liggett Group, Inc.
Ronald J. Bernstein, President and Chief Executive Officer
Main & Fuller Streets,
Durham, NC 27702

Martin Orłowski, President
Lorillard Tobacco Company
One Park Avenue
New York, New York 10016-5896

Philip Morris, Inc. AKA Altria Group;
Mr. Murray Garnick,
Senior Vice President of Litigation or General Counsel
Altria Client Services
6601 West Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23230

R J REYNOLDS TOBACCO HOLDINGS RJR
Charles A. Blixt, Executive Vice President General Counsel
Ms. Susan Ivey, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
Reynolds American Inc.
PO Box 2959
Winston-Salem, NC 27199

2. CERTIFICATE OF MERIT - (attachments only sent to California Attorney General's Office)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on March 31, 2009 at Los Angeles, California.

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Signed by: John Ford

John Ford

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DISTRIBUTION LIST

By Priority Mail -Signature Confirmation Requested

◆ **Liggett Group, Inc.**
Ronald J. Bernstein, President
and Chief Executive Officer
Main & Fuller Streets,
Durham, NC 27702

◆Registered Agent for Service of Process:
CT Corporation System
818 W. Seventh Street Los Angeles,
CA 90017

**R J REYNOLDS TOBACCO
HOLDINGS RJR**
AKA Smoke Shop, Inc.
Charles A. Blixt, Executive V- P/ General
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Ms. Susan Ivey, President and CEO
Reynolds American Inc.
PO Box 2859
Winston-Salem, NC 27189

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◆ **CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL**
CA Department of Justice
PROP. 65 ENFORCEMENT REPORTING
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Mr. Murray Garnick
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◆Registered Agent for Service of Process:
CT Corporation System
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Lorillard Tobacco Company
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City, CA 95531

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