

SIXTY DAY NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION  
25249.6

August 11, 2014

Stephane Gonthier, CEO/President or Current President/CEO  
99 Cents Only Stores, LLC  
4000 Union Pacific Avenue  
City of Commerce, CA 90023

AND THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS LISTED ON THE DISTRIBUTION LIST  
ACCOMPANYING THE ATTACHED CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

RE: Violations of Proposition 65 concerning **silverware and utensils containing nickel**

For general information, please see “The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65) prepared by the California EPA and attached to this Notice.

This is notice that 99 Cents Only Stores, LLC (hereinafter, “the Violator”) has violated Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 by selling to consumers utensils and silverware (hereinafter, the “Products”) containing nickel, a carcinogen, without first warning those consumers that the Products contain a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

On October 1, 1989, nickel was added to the list of chemicals known to cause cancer, which is more than 275 months before Noticing Party served this notice.

The exposures have taken place since August 11, 2013 and continue to this date. This notice is given by Morse Mehrban; 15233 Ventura Blvd., Suite 1000, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403 (hereinafter, the “Noticing Party”). The Noticing Party’s attorney is Sagar Parikh; 310-887-1338; SP@BeverlyHillsLawCorp.com. The route of exposure to the Chemical in the Products is dermal contact. The consumer products exposures occur through the foreseeable and intended use of the Products. Consumers come into contact with the Chemical while applying the Products to their bodies. To address the issues raised by this notice, you may contact the Noticing Party’s attorney.

None of the Products’ packaging or labeling provide any Proposition 65-compliant warnings that the Products contain nickel. The Violator has not provided any other method of providing clear warnings to the purchasers or users of the Products, such as a system of signs or shelf-labeling at retail outlets, either alone or in combination with a provision of a toll-free number for information services.

California consumers have been exposed to the listed nickel buying and using the Products. When consumers use the Products for their intended use, i.e. to eat their food with, the consumer’s skin is exposed to the nickel, which enters the body by dermal absorption.

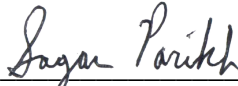
By sending this notice, the Noticing Party is acting in the public interest, pursuant to Proposition 65.

If the governmental authorities on which this notice is served, do not take action with respect to the alleged violation within 60 calendar days of the sending of this notice, and an additional five days if the place of mailing and the place of receipt are both in California, Noticing Party may file suit.

Noticing Party remains open and willing to discussing the possibility of resolving its claims prior to initiating formal litigation.

Dated: 8/11/2014

BEVERLY HILLS LAW CORP., PC

By:   
Sagar Parikh, Esq.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)

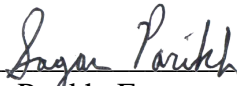
I, Sagar Parikh, hereby declare:

- (1) This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notice have violated 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 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 and 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.

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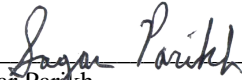
I am employed in Los Angeles County, California. My business address is 15233 Ventura Blvd., Suite 1000, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within cause. On this date, I served true and correct copies of NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.6; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT (Attorney General Copy): Factual information sufficient to establish the basis of the certificate of merit (only sent to Attorney General); THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY; and this CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE. On this date, I deposited fully prepaid and sealed envelopes containing the above-mentioned documents with the United States Postal Service, addressed as follows:

Stephane Gonthier, CEO/President or Current President/CEO 99 Cents Only Stores, LLC 4000 Union Pacific Avenue City of Commerce, CA 90023	District Attorney Contra Costa County 900 Ward St Martinez, CA 94553	District Attorney Napa County 931 Parkway Mall Napa, CA 94559
District Attorney Monterey County 230 Church St Bldg 2 Salinas CA 93901	District Attorney Sonoma County 600 Administration Dr Rm 212J Santa Rosa CA 95403	District Attorney Santa Clara County 70 W Hedding St West Wing San Jose CA 95110
District Attorney Tulare County 221 S Mooney Blvd Rm 224 Visalia CA 93291	District Attorney Riverside County 3960 Orange Street Suite 5 Riverside, CA 92501	District Attorney 800 S Victoria Ave Ventura CA 93009
District Attorney Alameda County 1225 Fallon St Rm 900 Oakland CA 94612	District Attorney Kern County 1215 Truxtun Ave 4 <sup>th</sup> Fl Bakersfield CA 93301	District Attorney Orange County 401 Civic Center Dr West Santa Ana CA 92701
District Attorney Alpine County PO Box 248 Markleeville CA 96120	District Attorney 1400 W Lacey Blvd Hanford CA 93230	District Attorney Placer County 10810 Justice Center Dr Ste 240 Roseville CA 95678
District Attorney Amador County 708 Court St Ste 202 Jackson CA 95642	District Attorney Lake County 255 N Forbes St Lakeport CA 95453	District Attorney Plumas County 520 Main St Rm 404 Quincy CA 95971
District Attorney Butte County 25 County Center Dr Oroville CA 95965	District Attorney Lassen County 220 S Lassen St Ste 8 Susanville CA 96130	District Attorney Sacramento County 901 G St Sacramento CA 95814
District Attorney Calaveras County 891 Mountain Ranch Rd San Andreas CA 95249	District Attorney Los Angeles County 210 W Temple St Ste 1800 Los Angeles CA 90012	District Attorney San Benito County 419 Fourth St 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hollister CA 95023
District Attorney Colusa County 547 Market Street Suite 102 Colusa CA 95932	District Attorney Madera County 209 W Yosemite Ave Madera CA 93637	District Attorney San Bernardino County 316 N Mountain View Ave San Bernardino CA 92415
District Attorney Del Norte County 450 H St Ste 171 Crescent City CA 95531	District Attorney Marin County 3501 Civic Center Dr Rm 130 San Rafael CA 94903	District Attorney San Diego County 330 W Broadway Ste 1300 San Diego CA 92101
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District Attorney Fresno County 2220 Tulare St Ste 1000 Fresno CA 93721	District Attorney Mendocino County PO Box 1000 Ukiah CA 95482	District Attorney San Joaquin County PO Box 990 Stockton CA 95201
District Attorney Glenn County PO Box 430 Willows CA 95988	District Attorney Merced County 550 W Main St Merced CA 95340	District Attorney San Luis Obispo County 1050 Monterey St Rm 450 San Luis Obispo CA 93408
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Attorney General's Office Attn: Prop 65 Coordinator PO Box 70550 Oakland CA 94612	Kings County District Attorney 1400 West Lacey Lacey Blvd. Hanford, CA 93230	

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 8/11/14

  
Sagar Parikh