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November 19, 2020

Amazon.com Services LLC Amazon.com Inc. c/o Corporation Service Company 251 Little Falls Drive Wilmington DE 19808

Pure Eden, LLC Registered Agents Inc. 30 N Gould St Ste R Sheridan, WY 82801

Pure Eden, LLC d/b/a Nature's Base 12333 Sowden Rd Ste B, #19129 Houston, Texas, 77080

#### 60-Day Notice of Violation

## Sent in Compliance with California Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(d)

To: Pure Eden LLC, Pure Eden, LLC d/b/a Nature's Base, Amazon.com Services LLC, Amazon.com Inc., and the public prosecutors listed on the proof of service attached hereto:

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Brown Bear Law, APC represents Citizens of California Safety Corp, a California Corporation with an interest in protecting the general public, which includes promoting awareness of exposure to toxic chemicals, reducing exposure to hazardous substances found in consumer products, and the promotion and improvement of human health. This correspondence shall serve as a 60 day notice Pure Eden LLC, Pure Eden, LLC d/b/a Nature's Base, Amazon.com Services LLC, Amazon.com Inc. (hereinafter "Violators") are in violation of the California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 ("Proposition 65"), which codified at Cal. Health & Safety Code §25249.5 et seq.

Cal. Health & Safety Code §25249 states in relevant part "No person in the course of doing business shall knowingly and intentionally expose any individual to a chemical known to the state to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity without first giving clear and reasonable warning to such individual"

This correspondence serves to provide notification that the Violators and elected prosecutors. Unless, notice is provided that the appropriate public enforcement agencies are diligently prosecuting said violations, Brown Bear Law, APC intends to bring an

enforcement action on behalf of Citizens of California Safety Corp sixty days or more after service of said notice.

#### II. VIOLATIONS

Product Types/Categories: The specific types or categories of products that are causing consumer exposures in violation of Proposition 65, and that are covered by this Notice, include the following:

Product Name	ASIN
Nature's Base Turmeric Curcumin with Ginger, 95% Curcuminoids,	B083JM99Q8
Apple Cider Vinegar, Tumeric Supplements	

The products listed above are products recently purchased and/or are available for purchase for use in California. Although, attempts have been made to diligently search for each and every product offered by the Violators, the list above may not be exhaustive.

Each of the products listed involve exposures to the Proposition 65-listed chemical "lead" through ingestion, and exposure to the skin (dermal) such as touching the product. Lead is listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as a chemical known to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. Lead is hereinafter referred to as the "Listed Chemical". As a result of the Violators failing to provide reasonable warnings, individuals in California have been exposed to the listed chemical since at least August 16, 2020 without the proper warning. Thus, California citizens lacked the information necessary to make an informed decision to reduce the risk of the listed chemical from reasonable and foreseeable use.

## III. PROPOSITION 65 INFORMATION

For the Violators' reference, attached is a copy of "Proposition 65: A Summary" which has been prepared by Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA"). For more information concerning the provisions of Proposition 65, contact OEHHA or visit their website.

#### IV. RESOLUTION OF NOTICED CLAIMS

Brown Bear Law, APC, intends to file a private enforcement action pursuant to Proposition 65 on behalf of Citizens of California Safety Corp unless the Violators agree to enter into a binding enforceable written instrument to (1) recall the listed products to avoid continued exposure or undertake diligent efforts to ensure that the requisite health hazard warnings are provided to those who already received such products; (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty based on the factors enumerated in California Health & Safety Code §25249.7(b). In order to avoid costly litigation, if the alleged Violators are interested in resolving this dispute, please feel free to contact counsel Shant Vayvayan, Brown Bear Law, APC, PO Box 573423, Tarzana, CA 91357, (818)-457-1543, shant@brownbearlaw.com, It should be noted pursuant to Proposition 65 a Private Enforcer cannot: (1) finalize any settlement until after the 60-day notice period has

expired; or (2) speak for the Attorney General or any District or City Attorney who received this Notice. Therefore, while reaching an agreement will resolve my claims, such agreement may not satisfy the public prosecutors.

### V. PRESERVATION OF EVIDENCE

This Notice also serves as a demand that the Notice Recipients preserve and maintain all relevant evidence, including all electronic documents and data, pending resolution of this matter. Such relevant evidence includes but is not limited to all documents relating to the presence or potential presence of the Listed Chemical in the Covered Products; purchase and sales information for Covered Products; efforts to comply with Proposition 65 with respect to the Covered Products; communications with any person relating to the presence or potential presence of the Listed Chemical in Covered Products; and representative exemplars of each specific model falling within the Covered Products. This demand applies to all relevant evidence for Covered Products sold in the State of California, as far back as August 16, 2020, through the date of any trial of the claims alleged in this Notice.

#### VI. CONTACT INFORMATION

Plaintiff has retained me as legal counsel in this matter. Please direct all communications related to this Notice of Violation to the following:

Shant Vayvayan, Esq. Brown Bear Law, APC P.O. Box 573423 Tarzana, CA 91357 shant@brownbearlaw.com

Sincerely,

Shant Vayvayan

cc: California Attorney General's Office; District Attorney's Office for 58 Counties; and City Attorneys for San Francisco, San Diego, San Jose and Los Angeles

Attachments: Certificate of Merit; Proof of Service; The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): A Summary (Pure Eden LLC, Pure Eden, LLC d/b/a Nature's Base, Amazon.com Services LLC, Amazon.com Inc.); and Confidential Information in Support of Certificate of Merit (Attorney General Only)

#### **CERTIFICATE OF MERIT**

Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)

- I, Shant Vayvayan, hereby declare:
- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is alleged that the parties identified in the notice have violated Health and Safety Code § 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 this 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 plaintiff's case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violators 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 information identified in Health and Safety Code § 25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) certain facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: November 19, 2020

Shant Vayvayan

### PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL - 1013(a)(3) 2015.5 C.C.P.

## STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I am a resident of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within entitled action; my business address is P.O. Box 573423, Tarzana CA, 91357.

On 11/19/2020, I served the within documents:

- 1. 60-DAY NOTICE OF VIOLATION SENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.7(d);
- 2. PROPOSITION 65: A SUMMARY (not sent to the public enforcement agencies);
- 3. CERTIFICATE OF MERIT;
- 4. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF CERTIFICATE OF MERIT (Attorney General Only)

[x] by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage for first class mail thereon fully prepaid in Los Angeles, California, in the United States mail addresses attached hereto as **Exhibit A**:

[x] by electronic service through transmission via electronic mail the documents listed above to each addresses attached hereto as Exhibit B:

Additionally, on this date, I uploaded the documents listed above to the California Attorney General via its website:

Office of the California
Attorney General Proposition 65
Enforcement Reporting ATTN:
Prop 65 Coordinator
1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000
P.O. Box 70550
Oakland, CA 94612-0550
http://oag.ca.gov/prop65

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

Dated: November 19, 2020

Shant Vayvayan

# EXHIBIT A

# **U.S. MAIL SERVICE**

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# EXHIBIT B

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