

**SIXTY DAY NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUE FOR VIOLATION OF  
SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986  
(California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.5 *et seq.*)**

February 13, 2024

**I. Description of Violation**

**Noticing Entity:** Mothers Oversight Network for Actionable Response to Contaminant Harm, LLC (“MONARCH”)

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**Alleged Violator(s):** ProArt; Vista Partners; Michael’s Stores Inc

**Time Period of Exposure:** Violations have been occurring since at least April 25, 2023 and are continuing up to February 12, 2024.

**Covered Product(s):** Mesh & Vinyl Zipper Bags

**Exemplar Product(s):** 15” X 18” Pro Art Mesh & Vinyl Zipper Bag

**Listed Chemical(s):** DINP (Diisononyl Phthalate)

**Route(s) of Exposure:** Touch, Oral, Dermal Absorption

**Potential Harm:** Carcinogen

**II. General Information**

MONARCH is organized to promote awareness of exposures to toxic chemicals in California and to improve public health and safety. This Notice is provided to the parties listed above pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (commonly referred to as “Proposition 65”) for violations of California Health & Safety Code §25249.6, failure to provide consumers with a clear and reasonable warning of the potential for exposure to chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or reproductive harm.

The specific product(s) causing consumer exposures in violation of Proposition 65 is/are listed below. All product(s) within the type covered by this Notice shall be referred to

hereinafter as the “Covered Product(s).”

*NOTE: While MONARCH identifies Sayward Halling, 573 N Olive St. Ventura, CA 93001, (805) 665-3853 as the responsible individual within the Noticing Entity, all communication must be sent to MONARCH’s attorney, the Greenbaum Law Firm at address above.*

### **III. Alleged Violation(s)**

Specific examples of products purchased by MONARCH in Los Angeles County, California are identified below. This **exemplar** product does not represent an exhaustive identification of all violative Products. The Violator(s) are obligated to perform an internal investigation into any Products that may have been manufactured, distributed, sold, or shipped during the relevant period.

The Covered Product(s) contain the Listed Chemical(s) and potentially expose consumers to the Listed Chemical(s) at levels that require warnings to consumers as described by California Health & Safety Code §25249.6, et seq. and 27 C.C.R. 25600.2, et seq. The exemplar product purchased by MONARCH does not provide clear and reasonable warnings that comply with the code and regulations.

The Covered Product(s) contains the Listed Chemical(s) as an intentionally added ingredient. The Covered Product(s) are designed, manufactured, and marketed to be used by consumers with, or on, their bare hands. During this handling the Listed Chemical(s) will transfer from the Covered Product(s) to consumers’ skin. This directly leads to a consumer exposure to the Listed Chemical(s) through touch, dermal exposure, and oral ingestion.

<b>Covered Product(s)</b>	<b>Exemplar Product Information</b>
Mesh & Vinyl Zipper Bags	15” X 18” Pro Art Mesh & Vinyl Zipper Bag

### **IV. Proposition 65 Information**

For general information concerning Proposition 65, please contact the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (“OEHHA”) Proposition 65 Implementation Office or to visit their website at <http://oehha.ca.gov/proposition-65>.

### **V. Resolution of Claim(s)**

MONARCH intends to file a lawsuit against the alleged Violator(s) unless such Violator(s) enters into a binding written agreement to become compliant with California Health & Safety Code 25249.6 *et seq.* Please feel free to contact the counsel identified above to discuss this further.

## Certificate of Merit

I, Daniel N. Greenbaum, 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 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.

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.

Dated: February 13, 2024



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Daniel N. Greenbaum, Esq.  
Attorney for MONARCH

**PROOF OF SERVICE**

I hereby declare that I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this case or action. My business address is: **7120 Hayvenhurst Ave., Suite 320, Van Nuys CA 91406**. A True and Correct copy of the document entitled **NOTICE OF VIOLATION** will be served or was served in the manner stated below:

- I. First Class Mail: On February 13, 2024, I served the following persons and/or entities at the last known addresses by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope with the USPS, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

Attn: CEO or President	Pro Art PO Box 1417, Beaverton, OR 97075
Attn: CEO or President	Vista Partners, Inc 4310 W 5th Ave, Eugene, OR 97402
Attn: Registered Agent	Vista Partners, Inc 17040 Pilkington Rd, Ste 200, Lake Oswego, OR 97035
Attn: CEO or President	Michael's Stores Inc 3939 W John Carpenter Fwy, Irving, TX 75063

- II. California Attorney General (via website Portal): On February 13, 2024, I uploaded a true and correct copy thereof as a PDF file via the California Attorney General's website.
- III. District and City Attorneys (via First Class Mail): On February 13, 2024, I caused to be served the following persons and/or entities at the last known addresses by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope in the United States Mail, first class, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows: **SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST**.
- IV. District and City Attorneys (via email): On February 13, 2024, I served the following persons and/or entities at the last known electronic addresses via email (the transmission was reported as sent without error): cfepd@yolocounty.org; sgrassini@contracosta.org; Prop65DA@co.monterey.ca.us; epu@da.sccgov.org; CEPD@countyofnapa.org; jbarnes@sonoma-county.org; Prop65@co.tulare.ca.us; cdalbey@co.santa-barbara.ca.us; CityAttyCrimProp65@sandiego.gov; CEPDProp65@acgov.org; DChandler@co.lassen.ca.us; Prop65@rivcoda.org; Prop65@sacda.org; EPU@da.sccgov.org; CityAttyCrimProp65@sandiego.gov; gregory.alker@sfgov.org; edobroth@co.slo.ca.us; DAConsumer.Environmental@sjcda.org; daspecialops@ventura.org; Prop65DA@santacruzcounty.us; Prop65@sfcityatty.org; Prop65env@co.calaveras.ca.us

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

Dated: February 13, 2024



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Megan Newman

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