#### NOTICE OF VIOLATION

# California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act

## Bisphenol S in Thermal Receipt Paper

August 1, 2025

This Notice of Violation (the "Notice") is provided to you pursuant to and in compliance with California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d).

- For general information regarding the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act, see the attached summary provided by the California EPA (copies not provided to public enforcement agencies).
- This Notice is provided by the Center for Environmental Health ("CEH"), 2201 Broadway, Suite 508, Oakland, CA 94612, (510) 655-3900. CEH is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to protecting the environment, improving human health, and supporting environmentally sound practices. Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon is the Senior Director of the Toxic Exposures and Pollution Prevention program of and a responsible individual within CEH.

### **Description of Violation:**

- <u>Violators</u>: The names and addresses of the violators are identified on the attached Exhibit 1.
- <u>Time Period of Exposure</u>: The violations have been occurring since at least December 29, 2024 and are continuing to this day.
- <u>Provision of Proposition 65</u>: This Notice covers the exposure/warning provision of Proposition 65, which is found at California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.6.
- <u>Chemical(s) Involved</u>: The name of the listed chemical involved in these violations is bisphenol S ("BPS"). Exposures to BPS occur from handling of the products identified in this Notice.
- <u>Type of Product</u>: The specific type of product causing these violations is thermal receipt paper. Non-exclusive examples of this specific type of product are identified on the attached Exhibit 1.
- <u>Description of Exposure</u>: This Notice addresses consumer exposures to BPS.
  Use of the products identified in this Notice results in human exposures to BPS.
  BPS is found on the surface of the products. Thermal receipt paper is treated with a surface coating of BPS. The routes of exposure for the violations are dermal absorption directly through the skin when consumers touch or handle the products, and ingestion via hand-to-mouth contact after consumers touch or

handle the products. No clear and reasonable Proposition 65 warning is provided with these products regarding the presence of BPS in the products.

#### **Resolution of Noticed Claims:**

Based on the allegations set forth in this Notice, CEH intends to file a citizen enforcement lawsuit against the alleged violators unless such violators agree in a binding written instrument to: (1) provide clear and reasonable warnings for products sold or otherwise provided to consumers in the future or reformulate such products to eliminate the BPS exposures; and (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty based on the factors enumerated in California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(b). If the alleged violators are interested in resolving this dispute without resort to expensive and time-consuming litigation, please feel free to contact CEH through its counsel identified below. It should be noted that CEH cannot: (1) finalize any settlement until after the 60-day notice period has expired; nor (2) speak for the Attorney General or any District or City Attorney who received CEH's 60-day Notice. Therefore, while reaching an agreement with CEH will resolve its claims, such agreement may not satisfy the public prosecutors.

#### Preservation of Relevant Evidence:

This Notice also serves as a demand that the alleged violators 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 BPS in thermal receipt paper; purchase and usage information for such products; efforts to comply with Proposition 65 with respect to such products; communications with any person relating to the presence or potential presence of BPS in such products; and representative exemplars of any such products provided to customers or consumers by the alleged violator in the year preceding this Notice through the date of any trial of the claims alleged in this Notice.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this Notice to CEH's counsel Patrick Carey or Joseph Mann at Lexington Law Group, LLP 503 Divisadero Street, San Francisco, CA 94117, (415) 913-7800, pcarey@lexlawgroup.com, jmann@lexlawgroup.com.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT
Health & Safety Code §25249.7(d)

I, Patrick Carey, hereby declare:

1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is

alleged that the party identified in the notice has violated Health & Safety Code §25249.6 by

failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.

2. I am an attorney with the Lexington Law Group, LLP, and I represent the noticing

party, the Center for Environmental Health.

3. Members of my firm and 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 exposures to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.

4. Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on 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 the 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 §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.

August 1, 2025

Patrick Carey

Attorney for CENTER FOR

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH** 

# EXHIBIT 1 August 1, 2025 Notice of Violation Bisphenol S in Thermal Receipt Paper

Names and Addresses of Responsible Parties	Non-Exclusive Examples of the Products	Further Description of Non-Exclusive Exemplar
Guitar Center, Inc. Guitar Center Stores, Inc. 5795 Lindero Canyon Road Westlake Village, CA 91362	Guitar Center Receipt 1280 Willow Pass Road #A Concord, CA 94520 (dated July 14, 2025)	Cashier No. 072262 Sales No. 2252513544
Speedway LLC 3200 Hackberry Road Irving, TX 75063	Speedway Receipt 1233 Hilltop Drive Redding, CA 96003 (dated July 1, 2025)	Store No. 0004063 Register No. 2 Transaction No. 2165177
<b>Hibbett Retail, Inc.</b> 2700 Milan Court Birmingham, AL 35211	Hibbett Receipt 900 Dana Drive, C-41 Redding, CA 96003 (dated July 1, 2025)	Store No. 1459 Register: 1 Ticket No. 32141
Go Toys & Games LLC Calendar Holdings LLC 6411 Burleson Road Austin, TX 78744	Go! Retail Group Receipt 900 Dana Drive, Space B3 Redding, CA 96003 (dated July 1, 2025)	Store No. 1392 Register No. 1392-177 Transaction No. 001392- 00177-0030771
Boot Barn, Inc. 15345 Barranca Pkwy. Irvine, CA 92618	Boot Barn Receipt 1705 State Highway 273 Anderson, CA 96007 (dated July 1, 2025)	Store No. 00042 Register: 01 Transaction: 237873

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Quick Quack Car Wash Holdings, LLC 6020 West Oaks Blvd., Suite #300 Rocklin, CA 95765	Quick Quack Car Wash Receipt 849 Davis Street Vacaville, CA 95687 (dated July 1, 2025)	Transaction No. dab93c31-fb9a-408c- 99f0-41d7f411b5f1
The Reinalt-Thomas Corporation d/b/a America's Tire 20225 N. Scottsdale Road Scottsdale, AZ, 85255	America's Tire Receipt 1340 E. Monte Vista Avenue Vacaville, CA 95688 (dated July 1, 2025)	Invoice No. 2258098
CJ Capital Partners LLC 216 Ratto Road Alameda, CA 94502	Haagen Dazs Receipt 108 Broadway Lane Walnut Creek, CA 94596 (dated April 14, 2025)	Invoice No. 172821
Bunzl Distribution Inc. Bunzl Distribution USA, Inc. One Cityplace Drive, Suite 200 Saint Louis, MO 63141	Bristol Farms Receipt 73101 Country Club Drive Palm Desert, CA 92260 (dated March 28, 2025)	Cashier: SCO 64 Transaction No. 9900190640106250328 1710
P & A Knight, Inc. 216 E. Lodi Avenue Lodi, CA 95240	A&W Pickup Receipt 216 E. Lodi Avenue Lodi, CA 95240 (dated June 24, 2025)	Station: FC Expo 31 Order No. 36195556203626496
PA Bake House LLC 44763 Aguila Terrace Fremont, CA 94539	Paris Baguette Receipt 7150 Regional Street Dublin, CA 94568 (dated April 4, 2025)	Location No. 3502 Check No. 34318821620924418

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Imperial Bag & Paper Co. LLC Dade Paper & Bag, LLC 255 US Highway 1 and 9 Jersey City, NJ 07306	Paris Baguette Receipt 7150 Regional Street Dublin, CA 94568 (dated April 4, 2025)	Location No. 3502 Check No. 34318821620924418
Supreme Source & Supply Co. 2603 Camino Ramon, Suite 200 San Ramon, CA 94583	Paris Baguette Receipt 7150 Regional Street Dublin, CA 94568 (dated April 4, 2025)	Location No. 3502 Check No. 34318821620924418

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9	CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; and	
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13	with USPS that same day with postage thereon fully ordinary course of business. On this date, I placed s	prepaid at San Francisco, California in the
14	mentioned documents for collection and mailing fol	
15	Please see attached service list.	
16 17	■ BY ELECTRONIC UPLOAD: I transmitted a as well as a Confidential Supporting Certificate of M California via the Proposition 65 60-Day Notice Sea	Merit, to the Office of the Attorney General of
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18 19	■ BY ELECTRONIC MAIL: I transmitted a PDI email to the email address(es) indicated on the attac	
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