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19	DAVID STEINMAN and THE CHEMICAL TOXIN WORKING GROUP, INC., a California	Case No. CIV1202604
20	non-profit corporation,	[PROPOSED] STIPULATED CONSENT
21	Plaintiffs,	JUDGMENT; [PROPOSED] ORDER RE: CHICKEN OF THE SEA INTERNATIONAL
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23	VS.	Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq.
24	CHICKEN OF THE SEA INTERNATIONAL;	Action Filed: June 27, 2012
25	TRI-UNION SEAFOODS, LLC dba CHICKEN	Trial Date: Not Set
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28	Defendants.	,

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 On June 5, 2012, Plaintiff David Steinman ("Steinman"), as a private enforcer, and in the public interest, initiated this Action by filing a Complaint for Injunctive and Declaratory Relief and Civil Penalties (the "Complaint") pursuant to the provisions of California Health and Safety Code section 25249.5 et seq. ("Proposition 65"), against Chicken of the Sea International ("COSI"). On June 26, 2012, David Steinman amended the Complaint to substitute Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC dba Chicken of the Sea International as a defendant. Chicken of the Sea and Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC dba Chicken of the Sea International shall collectively be referred to as COSI. On March 7, 2014, Steinman filed a First Amended Complaint ("Amended Complaint"), adding Plaintiff The Chemical Toxin Working Group ("CTWG") to this Action. On November 27, 2013, the Court consolidated this case with a separate action against Chicken of the Sea in Case No. CV1202604. David Steinman and CTWG shall be collectively referred to as Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs and Defendant shall collectively be referred to as the "Parties," each a "Party."
- 1.2 In this Action, Plaintiffs allege that certain products sold by COSI to the general public contain lead and/or cadmium, chemicals listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as carcinogens and reproductive toxicants, and that these products expose consumers at levels requiring a Proposition 65 warning. The following product is subject to the terms of this Consent Judgment and hereinafter shall be referred to as "the Covered Product": Chicken of the Sea Whole Oysters. The following products shall be referred to as "the Clam Products": Chicken of the Sea Minced Clams and Chicken of the Sea Whole Baby Clams.
- 1.3 Plaintiff David Steinman is an individual and founder of plaintiff CTWG, a California non-profit corporation. Plaintiffs are private enforcers of Proposition 65, acting in the public interest, that have diligently prosecuted this matter and are settling the case in the public interest.

1.4 Defendant COSI is a business entity that at all times relevant for purposes of this Consent Judgment employs ten or more persons.

- 1.5 The Complaint was based on allegations of lead exposure to consumers as set forth in David Steinman's Notice of Violation dated February 24, 2012 served on the Attorney General of the State of California, other public enforcers and COSI in regard to the Covered Product. The Amended Complaint added allegations of lead exposure to consumers as set forth in CTWG's Notices of Violation dated August 8, 2013 in regard to the Clam Products, and cadmium exposure to consumers from the Covered Product as set forth in CTWG's Notice of Violation dated November 12, 2013. A true and correct copy of the Notices of Violation is attached as Exhibit A. More than sixty (60) days have passed since the Notices of Violation were mailed, and no designated governmental entity has filed a complaint against COSI with regard to the Covered Product, the Clam Products or the alleged violations.
- 1.6 Plaintiffs' Notices of Violation and the Amended Complaint allege that use of the Covered Product and the Clam Products expose persons in California to Proposition 65 listed chemicals without first providing clear and reasonable warnings in violation of California Health and Safety Code section 25249.6. COSI denies all material allegations contained in the Notices of Violation and Amended Complaint and specifically denies that it violated Proposition 65 or that the Covered Product or the Clam Products require or required a Proposition 65 warning or otherwise caused harm to any person. Nothing in the Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission by COSI of any fact, issue of law or violation of law, nor shall compliance with the Consent Judgment constitute or be construed as an admission by COSI of any fact, issue of law or violation of law, at any time, for any purpose. Nothing in the Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive or impair any right, remedy, argument or defense that COSI may have in other or further legal proceedings.
 - 1.7 The Parties have entered into this Consent Judgment in order to settle,

compromise and resolve disputed claims and thus avoid prolonged and costly litigation. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall constitute or be construed as an admission by any of the Parties, or by any of their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, parent companies, subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, franchises, licensees, customers, suppliers, distributors, wholesalers, or retailers of any fact, conclusion of law, issue of law, violation of law, fault, wrongdoing, or liability, including without limitation, any admission concerning any alleged violation of Proposition 65 or any other law or legal duty.

- 1.8 Except as expressly set forth herein, nothing in this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive, or impair any right, remedy, argument, or defense the Parties may have in any other or future legal proceeding unrelated to these proceedings.
- 1.9 The Effective Date of this Consent Judgment is the date on which it is entered as a Judgment by this Court.

2. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over the allegations of violations contained in the Amended Complaint and personal jurisdiction over COSI as to the acts alleged in the Amended Complaint, that venue is proper in Marin County, and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment as a full and final resolution of all claims which were or could have been asserted in his action based on the facts alleged in the Notices of Violation and the Amended Complaint.

3. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, WARNINGS AND TESTING

3.1 Subject to the provisions set forth in Section 3.5 below, COSI shall not manufacture for sale in the State of California, distribute into the State of California, or directly sell in the State of California, any Covered Product unless each such unit of the Covered Product (1) meets the warning requirements under Section 3.2, or (2) qualifies as a "Reformulated Covered Product" under Section 3.3. COSI confirms that, on January 31, 2014,

it ceased the distribution into the State of California and the direct sale in the State of California of any of the Covered Product.

3.1.5 As used in this Consent Judgment, the term "distribute into the State of California" shall mean COSI directly ships a Covered Product into California for sale in California or sells a Covered Product to a distributor or retailer that COSI knows will sell the Covered Product in California.

3.2 Clear and Reasonable Warnings

If COSI determines that it will manufacture for sale in the State of California, distribute into the State of California, or directly sell in the State of California the Covered Product in the future and such Covered Product does not qualify as "Reformulated Covered Product," then COSI shall provide the following warning:

[California Proposition 65] WARNING: THIS PRODUCT CONTAINS LEAD, A CHEMICAL KNOWN TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO CAUSE [CANCER AND] BIRTH DEFECTS OR OTHER REPRODUCTIVE HARM, AND CADMIUM, A CHEMICAL KNOWN TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO CAUSE BIRTH DEFECTS OR OTHER REPRODUCTIVE HARM.

The word "cancer" shall be used in the warnings above only if the average daily exposure level exceeds 15 micrograms of lead as determined pursuant to the provisions set forth in Section 3.3 and 3.4. The words "California Proposition 65" may be included at COSI's option. No additional language about Proposition 65, lead or cadmium may accompany the Proposition 65 warning. COSI shall provide the applicable warning in the following methods:

- 1) on the label of the can or container (other than on the underside or bottom of the can or; and/or container) of each individual unit of a Covered Product sold or distributed to retail stores in California and on Covered Product shipped to California consumers;
- 2) on COSI's checkout page on its website for California consumers prior to completion of the sale.

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In the website warning, COSI shall identify the Covered Product to which the warning applies. For the receipt/invoice warnings, the receipt/invoice shall identify the Covered Product to which the warning applies and the warning shall be present on the front of the receipt/invoice. COSI must display the above warnings with such conspicuousness, as compared with other words, design of the label. can, container, and website statements, or warning to render the warning likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase or use of the Covered Product. Each letter in the word "WARNING" must be in all capital letters and bold print.

3.3 Calculation of Lead Levels; Reformulated Covered Products

A Reformulated Covered Product is one for which the average daily exposure level does not exceed 0.5 micrograms of lead per day and/or no more than 4.1 micrograms of cadmium per day as determined by the formula, testing and quality control methodology described in Section 3.4. As used in this Consent Judgment, "no more than 0.5 micrograms of lead per day" and "no more than 4.1 micrograms of cadmium per day" mean that the samples of the testing under Section 3.4 yield an average daily exposure of no more than 0.5 micrograms of lead and 4.1 micrograms of cadmium (with average daily exposure calculated pursuant to Section 3.4 of this Consent Judgment). For a Covered Product that causes exposures in excess of 0.5 micrograms of lead per day, and/or exposures in excess of 4.1 micrograms of cadmium per day COSI shall provide the warning set forth in Section 3.2. For purposes of determining which warning, if any, is required pursuant to Section 3.2, the average concentration utilizing the geometric mean of lead and cadmium detection results of five (5) samples of the Covered Product, randomly selected by COSI, will be controlling.

3.4 Formula, Testing and Quality Control Methodology

3.4.1 For purposes of this Consent Judgment, average daily exposure levels shall be measured in micrograms per day, and shall be calculated using the following formula: the average concentration of lead or cadmium in the product in micrograms per gram,

multiplied by grams of product per serving of the product (using the serving size appearing on the product label), multiplied by frequency of consumption of once every fourteen (14) days.

3.4.2 COSI shall not be required to engage in testing pursuant to this Consent Judgment unless COSI determines that it will manufacture for sale in the State of California, distribute into the State of California, or directly sell in the State of California any of the Covered Product in the future. All testing pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be performed using a laboratory method that complies with the performance and quality control factors appropriate for the method used, including limit of detection, limit of quantitation, accuracy, and precision and meets the following criteria: Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) achieving a limit of quantitation of less than or equal to 0.010 mg/kg or any other testing method subsequently agreed upon in writing by the Parties.

3.4.3 All testing pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be performed by an independent third-party laboratory certified by the California Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program for the analysis of heavy metals or a laboratory that is approved by, accredited by, or registered with the United States Food & Drug Administration. If COSI determines that it will manufacture for sale in the State of California, distribute into the State of California, or directly sell in the State of California any of the Covered Product in the future, COSI shall provide written notice to Plaintiffs of its intent to conduct such sales at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to recommencement of such sales. Testing shall continue for at least four (4) consecutive years from date of recommencement of such sales and at least once per year, for the lead and cadmium testing of five (5) randomly-selected samples of the Covered Product in the form intended for sale to the end-user to be distributed or sold in California. If tests conducted pursuant to this Section demonstrate that no warning is required for the Covered Product during each of four (4) consecutive years, then the testing requirements of this Section will no longer be required as to the Covered Product. However, if after the four-year period, COSI changes suppliers for the Covered Product and/or reformulates

the Covered Product, then COSI shall test the Covered Product at least once after such change is made, and send those test results to Plaintiffs within ten (10) court days of receiving the test results. If COSI ceases the manufacture for sale in the State of California, the distribution into the State of California, or the direct sale in the State of California of the Covered Product under this Section 3.4.3, COSI shall not be required to engage in further testing pursuant to this Consent Judgment.

3.4.4 If COSI determines that it will manufacture for sale in the State of California, distribute into the State of California, or directly sell in the State of California the Covered Products in the future, COSI shall provide to Plaintiffs copies of all laboratory reports with results of testing for lead and/or cadmium performed under this Section no later than ninety (90) days prior to recommencement of sales of the Covered Product. For a period of four (4) years thereafter, COSI shall arrange annually for copies of all laboratory reports with results of testing for lead and cadmium content under and for the purpose of Section 3 of this Consent Judgment to be sent to Plaintiffs upon request within fifteen (15) court days of such request. COSI shall retain all test results and documentation for a period of four (4) years from the date of each test. These reports shall be treated by Plaintiffs as confidential information under the terms of the confidentiality agreement entered into by the Parties.

3.5 Products No Longer in COSI's Control

COSI and the Releasees (as defined in Section 8.1 below) shall have no obligation or liability with respect to any Covered Products that are sold and/or distributed in the State of California after January 31, 2014, except as set forth in this Consent Judgment, unless or until COSI resumes the distribution into the State of California or the direct sale in the State of California of the Covered Product.

4. SETTLEMENT PAYMENT

4.1 In full satisfaction of all potential civil penalties, payment in lieu of civil

penalties, attorney's fees and costs in connection with claims regarding the Covered Products, COSI shall make a total payment of \$97,113 within ten (10) days of receiving the Notice of Entry of Judgment. Said payment shall be made by checks apportioned as follows:

- 4.2 \$14,566.95 shall be payable as civil penalties pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(b)(1). Of this amount, \$10,925.21 shall be payable to the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and \$3,641.73 shall be payable to The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc., pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 25249.12(c)(1) & (d). COSI shall send both civil penalty payments to Plaintiffs' counsel who will be responsible for forwarding the civil penalty to OEHHA along with a copy of the transmittal letter to COSI's counsel.
- 4.3 \$3,613.00 shall be payable to The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc. as reimbursement to CTWG for (A) reasonable costs and expenses associated with the enforcement of Proposition 65 and other costs incurred as a result of Plaintiffs' work in bringing this action; and (B) \$36,433.05 shall be payable to The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc. in lieu of further civil penalties, for day-to-day business activities such as continued enforcement of Proposition 65, which includes work analyzing, researching and testing food and other consumer products that may contain Proposition 65 chemicals.
- **4.4** \$36,211.00 shall be payable to Michael Freund and \$6,289.00 shall be payable to Ryan Hoffman as reimbursement of Plaintiffs' attorneys' fees.
- 4.5 COSI shall mail or deliver the payments in this Section in the form of checks to the address of Michael Freund & Associates as stated in Section 11 (Provision of Notice) below. Within two (2) court days of the Effective Date, Plaintiffs and their counsel will provide their taxpayer identification information and W-9 forms to enable COSI to process the payments.

5. MODIFICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

5.1 This Consent Judgment may be modified only by: (i) written agreement and

stipulation of the Parties and (ii) upon entry of a modified Consent Judgment by the Court.

- 5.2 If COSI seeks to modify this Consent Judgment under Section 5.1, then COSI must provide written notice to Plaintiffs of its intent ("Notice of Intent"). If Plaintiffs seek to meet and confer with COSI regarding the proposed modification in the Notice of Intent, then Plaintiffs must provide written notice to COSI within ten (10) days of receiving the Notice of Intent. If Plaintiffs notify COSI in a timely manner of their intent to meet and confer, then the Parties shall meet and confer in good faith as required in this Section. The Parties shall meet in person or by phone within ten (10) days of Plaintiffs' notification of their intent to meet and confer. Within ten (10) days of such meeting, if any Plaintiff disputes the proposed modification, that Plaintiff must provide to COSI a written basis for its position. The Parties shall continue to meet and confer for an additional ten (10) days in an effort to resolve any remaining disputes. The Parties may agree in writing to different deadlines for the meet-and-confer period.
- 5.3 In the event that COSI initiates or otherwise requests a modification under Section 5.1, COSI shall reimburse Plaintiffs their documented reasonable costs and reasonable attorney's fees for the time spent in the meet-and-confer process and filing and arguing a joint motion or application in support of a modification of the Consent Judgment; provided, however, that these fees and costs shall not exceed \$8,000 total without the prior written consent of COSI.
- 5.4 Where the meet-and-confer process does not lead to a joint motion or application in support of a modification of the Consent Judgment, then either Party may seek judicial relief on its own. In such a situation, the prevailing party may seek to recover costs and reasonable attorney's fees. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party" means a party who is successful in obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the other party was amenable to providing during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute that is the subject of the modification.

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5.5 If any court in a case alleging that a defendant sold canned whole oysters without providing clear and reasonable warnings regarding the presence of lead or cadmium in violation of Proposition 65 renders a final judgment that such products do not require a warning under Proposition 65 because the average daily exposure is at or below the average daily exposure for the Covered Products, based on the exposure calculation accepted by that court, then COSI shall be entitled to seek to modify this Consent Judgment to eliminate or modify the injunctive relief set forth in Section 3, consistent with the court judgment as described herein, and considering any differences between the Covered Product and the canned whole oyster products addressed in another settlement or court judgment. In addition, COSI shall be entitled to seek to modify this Consent Judgment to eliminate or modify the injunctive relief set forth in Section 3 if (a) lead or cadmium are removed from the Proposition 65 list of chemicals; or (b) if any court in a case alleging that a defendant sold canned whole oysters without providing clear and reasonable warnings regarding the presence of lead or cadmium in violation of Proposition 65 renders a final judgment that such products do not require a warning under Proposition 65 because such warnings are preempted by federal law, so long as such modification is consistent with the court judgment as described herein. Plaintiffs shall not be entitled to object to any modifications sought under this Section 5.5, except based upon an error in calculation of the average daily exposure. The reimbursement provisions of Sections 5.3 and 5.4 above are not applicable to modifications sought under this Section 5.5. If Plaintiffs object to the calculation of the average daily exposure and a court sustains the objections, COSI shall reimburse Plaintiffs their documented reasonable costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred to raise the objection. Any fees and costs related to a sustained objection shall not exceed \$8,000 total without the prior written consent of COSI.

6. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION; ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

- 6.1 This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to enforce, modify or terminate this Consent Judgment.
 - 6.2 Only after it complies with Section 15 below may any Party, by motion or

application for an order to show cause filed with this Court, enforce the terms and conditions contained in this Consent Judgment.

6.3 If COSI determines that it will manufacture for sale in the State of California, distribute into the State of California, or directly sell in the State of California the Covered Product in the future, and subsequently any Plaintiff alleges that any such Covered Product fails to qualify as a Reformulated Covered Product (for which a Plaintiff alleges that no warning has been provided), then the Plaintiff shall inform COSI in a reasonably prompt manner of the Plaintiff's test results. COSI shall, within thirty (30) days following such notice, provide the Plaintiff with testing information, from an independent third-party laboratory meeting the requirements of Sections 3.4.2 and 3.4.3, demonstrating COSI's compliance with the Consent Judgment. The Parties shall first attempt to resolve the matter prior to any Plaintiff taking any further legal action with the Court.

7. APPLICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

This Consent Judgment shall have no application to the Covered Product or Clam Products which are distributed or sold exclusively outside the State of California.

8. BINDING EFFECT, CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED

8.1 This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and in the public interest, and COSI, of any alleged violation of Proposition 65 or its implementing regulations for failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings of exposure to lead and cadmium from the handling, use, or consumption of the Covered Product and fully resolves all claims that have been or could have been asserted in this Action up to and including the date of entry of Judgment for failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings for exposure to lead and cadmium from the Covered Product. Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and in the public interest, hereby discharge and release COSI, its parents, subsidiaries, affiliated entities under common ownership, directors, officers, agents, employees, attorneys, and each entity to whom COSI directly or indirectly distributes or sells the Covered Product, including

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but not limited to, downstream distributors, wholesalers, customers, retailers, franchises, cooperative members and licensees, including, but not limited to, The Kroger Co., SUPERVALU Inc. and Amazon.com Inc. (collectively, "Releasees") from any and all claims, actions, causes of action, suits, demands, liabilities, damages, penalties, fees, costs and expenses asserted, or that could have been asserted, as to any alleged violation of Proposition 65 arising from the failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings on the Covered Product regarding lead and/or cadmium, as set forth in the Notices of Violation and the Amended Complaint.

8.2 Each Plaintiff, on behalf of itself only, hereby releases and discharges the Releasees from all claims, causes of action, obligations, costs, expenses, attorney's fees, damages, losses, liabilities and demands of Plaintiffs of any nature, character, or kind, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, arising out of alleged or actual exposures to lead and/or cadmium in the Covered Product and Clam Products as set forth in the Notices of Violation and the Amended Complaint that have been or could have been asserted in this Action up to and including the date of entry of Judgment for failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings for exposure to lead and/or cadmium in the Covered Product and Clam Products. Each Plaintiff, on behalf of itself only, waive any and all rights they may have under any applicable statute, including, but not limited to California Civil Code Section 1542 or common law principle which would limit the effect of the release in Section 8.1 and 8.2 to those claims actually known or suspected to exist at the time of the date of entry of Judgment. Plaintiffs have full knowledge of the contents of California Civil Code Section 1542, which reads as follows:

> A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM

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OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR.

Each Plaintiff, on behalf of itself only, acknowledges and understands the significance and consequences of this specific waiver of California Civil Code Section 1542.

- Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall be deemed to 8.3 constitute compliance with Proposition 65 by the Releasees regarding alleged exposures to lead and/or cadmium in the Covered Product and Clam Products as set forth in the Notices of Violation and the Amended Complaint.
- 8.4 Plaintiffs and COSI each release and waive all claims they may have against each other for any statements or actions made or undertaken by them in connection with the Notices of Violation or the Amended Complaint; provided, however, that nothing in Section 8 shall affect or limit any Party's right to seek to enforce the terms of this Consent Judgment.

SEVERABILITY OF UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS

In the event that any of the provisions of this Consent Judgment is held by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the remaining enforceable provisions shall not be adversely affected.

10. **GOVERNING LAW**

The terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

11. PROVISION OF NOTICE

All notices required to be given to either Party to this Consent Judgment by the other shall be in writing and sent to the following agents listed below by: (a) first-class, registered, or certified mail; (b) overnight courier; or (c) personal delivery. Courtesy copies via email may also be sent.

FOR DAVID STEINMAN AND THE CHEMICAL TOXIN WORKING GROUP, INC.:

1	With a copy to:				
2	Whenael Freund				
3	Michael Freund & Associates 1919 Addison Street, Suite 105				
4	Berkeley, CA 94704 Telephone: (510) 540-1992				
5	Facsimile: (510) 540-5543				
6	FOR CHICKEN OF THE SEA INTERNATIONAL:				
7	John Barker				
8	Chicken of the Sea International 9330 Scranton Road, Suite 500				
9	San Diego, CA 92121				
10	With a copy to:				
11	Forest A. Hainline III Patrick S. Thompson				
12	Robert B. Bader Goodwin Procter LLP				
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14	Telephone: (415) 733-6000 Facsimile: (415) 677-9041				
15	12. COURT APPROVAL				
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17	12.1 If this Consent Judgment is not approved by the Court, it shall be void and have				
18	no force or effect.				
19	12.2 Plaintiffs shall comply with California Health and Safety Code section				
20	25249.7(f) and with Title II of the California Code Regulations, Section 3003.				
21	13. EXECUTION AND COUNTERPARTS				
22	This Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts, which taken together shall be				
23	deemed to constitute one document. A facsimile or .pdf signature shall be construed as valid as				
24	the original signature.				
25	14. DRAFTING				
26	The terms of this Consent Judgment have been reviewed by the respective counsel for the				
27	each Party to this settlement prior to its signing, and each Party has had an opportunity to full				
28	discuss the terms with counsel. The Parties agree that, in any subsequent interpretation and				

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construction of this Consent Judgment entered thereon, the terms and provisions shall not be construed against any Party.

15. GOOD FAITH ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE DISPUTES

If a dispute arises with respect to either Party's compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment entered by the Court, the Parties shall meet in person or by telephone and endeavor to resolve the dispute in an amicable manner. No action or motion may be filed in the absence of such a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute beforehand. In the event an action or motion is filed, however, the prevailing party may seek to recover costs and reasonable attorney's fees. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party" means a party who is successful in obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the other party was amenable to providing during the parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute that is the subject of such enforcement action.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZATION

- This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter herein, and any and all prior discussions, negotiations, commitments and understandings related hereto. representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those contained herein have been made by any Party. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, unless specifically referred to herein, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any Party.
- 16.2 Each signatory to this Consent Judgment certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the Party he or she represents to stipulate to this Consent Judgment. Except as explicitly provided herein, each Party shall bear its own fees and costs.

17. REQUEST FOR FINDINGS, APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AND ENTRY OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

This Consent Judgment has come before the Court upon the request of the Parties. The Parties request the Court to fully review this Consent Judgment and, being fully informed regarding the matters which are the subject of this action, to:

(1) Find the	hat the terms and provisions	of this Consent Judgment represent a fair and equitable
settlement of all matters raised by the allegations of the Amended Complaint, that the matter has		
been diligently prosecuted, and that the public interest is served by such settlement; and		
(2) Make	the findings pursuant to Cal	ifornia Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(f)(4),
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3	Dated: March 31, 2014 MICHAEL FREUND & ASSOCIATES
5	By:
6 7	Michael Freund Attorney for David Steinman and The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc.
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9	Dated: 24 Marh, 2014 GOODWIN PROCEET LLP
11	By: Datiol & Thomas
12	Patrick S. Thompson Attorneys for Defendants Chicken of the Sea International and Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC
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16	ORDER AND JUDGMENT
17	Based upon the Parties' Stipulation, and good cause appearing, this Consent Judgment is
18	approved and Judgment is hereby entered according to its terms.
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21	Dated:, 2014 Judge of the Superior Court
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February 24, 2012

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

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VIA PRIORITY MAIL

District Attorneys of All California Counties and Select City Attorneys (See Attached Certificate of Service)

Re: Notice of Violation Against Chicken of the Sea International for Violation of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq.

Dear Addressees:

I represent David Steinman, a committed environmentalist, journalist, consumer health advocate, publisher and author. His major books include Diet for a Poisoned Planet (1990, 2007); The Safe Shopper's Bible (1995); Living Healthy in a Toxic World (1996); and Safe Trip to Eden: Ten Steps to Save the Planet Earth from Global Warming Meltdown (2007). Through this Notice of Violation, Mr. Steinman seeks to reduce consumer exposures to lead in the named product set forth herein.

This letter constitutes notification that Chicken of the Sea International ("Chicken of the Sea") has violated the warning requirement of Proposition 65, the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act (commencing with section 25249.5 of the Health and Safety Code). The product that is the subject of this Notice of Violation and the chemical in the product identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

Chicken of the Sea Whole Oysters - lead

Chicken of the Sea has manufactured, marketed, distributed and/or sold the listed product which has exposed and continues to expose numerous individuals within California to lead. This chemical was listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer on October 1, 1992 and as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male and female reproductive toxicity on February 27, 1987. The time period of these violations commenced one year after the listed dates above. The primary route of exposure has been through ingestion.

Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to certain listed chemicals. Chicken of the Sea is in violation of Proposition 65 because it failed to provide a warning to consumers that they are being exposed to lead. (22 C.C.R. section 12601.) While in the course of doing business, the company is knowingly and intentionally exposing consumers to this chemical without first providing a clear and reasonable warning. (Health and Safety Code section 25249.6.) The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product's label. 22 C.C.R. section 12601 (b)(1) (A). There are no warnings currently present on the company's label for this product.

Proposition 65 requires that notice and intent to sue be given to a violator 60-days before the suit is filed. With this letter, David Steinman gives notice of the alleged violation to the noticed party and the appropriate governmental authorities. This Notice of Violation covers all violations of Proposition 65 that are currently known to Mr. Steinman from information now available to us. Mr. Steinman is continuing his investigation that may reveal further violations. A summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, and referenced as Appendix A, has been provided to the noticed party.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Michael Freund

cc: David Steinman

Attachments:

Certificate of Merit
Certificate of Service
OEHHA Summary to Chicken of the Sea International
Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to Attorney General only)

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7 (d)

- I, Michael Freund hereby declare:
- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached Notice of Violation in which it is alleged that the party identified in the Notice has 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 David Steinman. Mr. Steinman is a committed environmentalist, journalist, consumer health advocate, publisher and author. The Notice of Violation alleges that the party identified has exposed persons in California to lead from the specified consumer product. Please refer to the Notice of Violation for additional details regarding the product names and alleged violations.
- 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. In particular, I have consulted with the chemists who conducted the laboratory testing for lead regarding this product and I have relied on the testing results. The testing was conducted by a reputable testing laboratory by experienced scientists. These facts, studies or other data derived through this investigation overwhelmingly demonstrate that the party identified in the Notice of Violation exposes persons to lead through ingestion.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through these consultants and on other information in my possession, I believe there is sufficient evidence that human exposures exist from exposure to the listed product from the noticed party. Furthermore, 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 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 California Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health & 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 23, 2012

Michael Freund

Attorney for David Steinman

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County of Alameda. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within entitled action; my business address is 1915 Addison Street, Berkeley, California 94704. On February 27, 2012 I served the within:

Notice of Violation and Certificate of Merit Against Chicken of the Sea International for Violation of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq. (Supporting Documentation sent to Attorney General only)

on the parties in said action, by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States Post Office mail box in Berkeley, California as follows:

See attached Service List

I, Michael Freund, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 27, 2012 at Berkeley, California.

Michael Freund

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Michael Freund, Esq. Ryan Hoffman, Esq.

OF COUNSEL: Denise Ferkich Hoffman, Esq.

August 8, 2013

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Shue Wing Chan, President & CEO Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC dba Chicken of the Sea International 9330 Scranton Road, Suite 500 San Diego, CA 92121

Office of the California Attorney General Proposition 65 Enforcement Reporting 1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000 P.O. Box 70550 Oakland, CA 94612-0550

VIA PRIORITY MAIL

District Attorneys of All California Counties and Select City Attorneys (See Attached Certificate of Service)

Re: Notice of Violation Against Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC, dba Chicken of the Sea International for Violation of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq.

Dear Alleged Violator and the Appropriate Public Enforcement Agencies:

I represent The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc., ("CTWG") a California non-profit corporation dedicated to reducing the amount of chemical toxins in consumer products. CTWG was created by David Steinman, a committed environmentalist, journalist, consumer health advocate, publisher and author. His major books include Diet for a Poisoned Planet (1990, 2007); The Safe Shopper's Bible (1995); Living Healthy in a Toxic World (1996); and Safe Trip to Eden: Ten Steps to Save the Planet Earth from Global Warming Meltdown (2007). Through this Notice of Violation, CTWG seeks to reduce exposures to lead in products ingested by consumers.

This letter constitutes notification that Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC, dba Chicken of the Sea International ("Chicken of the Sea") has violated the warning requirement of Proposition 65, the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic enforcement Act (commencing with section 25249.5 of the Health and Safety Code). The products subject to this Notice of Violation and the chemical in the products identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

Chicken of the Sea Minced Clams – Lead Chicken of the Sea Whole Baby Clams - Lead

Chicken of the Sea has manufactured, marketed, distributed and/or sold the above products which have exposed and continue to expose numerous individuals within California to lead. This

chemical was listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer on October 1, 1992 and as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male and female reproductive toxicity on February 27, 1987. These violations have occurred every day since at least August 8, 2010, and will continue every day until the lead is removed from the noticed products or until clear and reasonable warnings are provided. The primary route of exposure has been through ingestion.

Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to certain listed chemicals. Chicken of the Sea is in violation of Proposition 65 because the company failed to provide a warning to consumers that they are being exposed to lead. (22 C.C.R. section 12601.) While in the course of doing business, the company is knowingly and intentionally exposing consumers to this chemical without first providing a clear and reasonable warning. (Health and Safety Code section 25249.6.) The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product's label. 22 C.C.R. section 12601 (b)(1) (A). There are no warnings currently present on the company's label for these products.

Proposition 65 requires that notice and intent to sue be given to a violator 60-days before the suit is filed. With this letter, CTWG gives notice of the alleged violations to the noticed party and the appropriate governmental authorities. This Notice of Violation covers all violations of Proposition 65 that are currently known to the noticing party from information now available. CTWG is continuing its investigation that may reveal further violations. A summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, and referenced as Appendix A, has been provided to the noticed party.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Michael Freund

cc: The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc., David Steinman

Attachments:

Certificate of Merit
Certificate of Service
OEHHA Summary to Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC dba Chicken of the Sea International
Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to Attorney General only)

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7 (d)

- I, Michael Freund hereby declare:
- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached Notice of Violation in which it is alleged that the party identified in the Notice has 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 The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc. The Notice of Violation alleges that the party identified has exposed persons in California to lead from specified consumer products without providing a Proposition 65 warning. Please refer to the Notice of Violation for additional details regarding the product names and alleged violations.
- 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. In particular, I have consulted with the laboratory who conducted the testing for lead regarding these products and I have relied on the testing results. The testing was conducted by a reputable testing laboratory by experienced scientists. These facts, studies or other data derived through this investigation overwhelmingly demonstrate that the party identified in the Notice of Violation exposes persons to lead through ingestion.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through the testing laboratory and on other information in my possession, I believe there is sufficient evidence that human exposures exist from exposure to the listed products from the noticed party. Furthermore, 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 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 California Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health & 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: August 8, 2013

Michael Freund

Attorney for The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County of Alameda. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within entitled action. My business address is 1919 Addison Street, Suite 105, Berkeley, California 94704. On August 8, 2013 I served the within:

Notice of Violation Against Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC, dba Chicken of the Sea International for Violation of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq. and Certificate of Merit (Supporting Documentation sent to Attorney General only)

by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States Post Office mail box in Berkeley, California addressed to the names set forth on the Notice of Violation and on the attached Service List.

I, Michael Freund, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on August 8, 2013 at Berkeley, California

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November 12, 2013

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Chris Lischewski, CEO Bumble Bee Foods, LLC 9655 Granite Ridge Drive, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92123

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VIA PRIORITY MAIL

District Attorneys of All California Counties and Select City Attorneys (See Attached Certificate of Service)

Re: Notice of Violations of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq.

Dear Alleged Violator and the Appropriate Public Enforcement Agencies:

I represent The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc., ("CTWG") a California non-profit corporation dedicated to reducing the amount of chemical toxins in consumer products. CTWG was created by David Steinman, a committed environmentalist, journalist, consumer health advocate, publisher and author. His major books include Diet for a Poisoned Planet (1990, 2007); The Safe Shopper's Bible (1995); Living Healthy in a Toxic World (1996); and Safe Trip to Eden: Ten Steps to Save the Planet Earth from Global Warming Meltdown (2007). Through this Notice of Violation, CTWG seeks to reduce and/or eliminate exposures to cadmium ingested by consumers from oysters.

This letter constitutes notification that Bumble Bee Foods, LLC ("Bumble Bee") has violated the warning requirement of Proposition 65, the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic enforcement Act (commencing with Section 25249.5 of the Health and Safety Code). The product subject to this Notice of Violation and the chemical in the product identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

Bumble Bee Premium Select Fancy Whole Oysters - Cadmium

Bumble Bee has manufactured, marketed, distributed and/or sold the above product which has exposed and continues to expose numerous individuals within California to cadmium. This chemical was listed pursuant to Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer on October 1, 1987 and as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male reproductive toxicity on May 1, 1997. These violations have occurred every day since at least November 12, 2010, as well as every day since the product was introduced into

the California marketplace and will continue every day until cadmium is removed from the noticed product, reduced to allowable levels or until clear and reasonable warnings are provided. The primary route of exposure has been through ingestion but may have also occurred through inhalation and/or dermal contact.

Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to certain listed chemicals. Bumble Bee is in violation of Proposition 65 because the company failed to provide a warning to consumers that they are being exposed to cadmium. While in the course of doing business, the company is knowingly and intentionally exposing consumers to this chemical without first providing a clear and reasonable warning. (Health and Safety Code § 25249.6.) The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product's label. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 27, § 25603.1, subd. (a).) Bumble Bee has not provided any Proposition 65 warnings on the company's label or any other appropriate warnings that persons handling, ingesting and/or otherwise using this product are being exposed to cadmium.

Proposition 65 requires that notice and intent to sue be given to a violator 60-days before the suit is filed. With this letter, CTWG gives notice of the alleged violations to the noticed party and the appropriate governmental authorities. This Notice of Violation covers all violations of Proposition 65 that are currently known to the noticing party from information now available. CTWG is continuing its investigation that may reveal further violations. A summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, and referenced as Appendix A, has been provided to the noticed party.

CTWG is interested in a prompt resolution of this matter with an enforceable written agreement by Bumble Bee to (1) eliminate or reduce cadmium levels to allowable levels, or provide appropriate warnings on the labels of this product; and (2) pay an appropriate civil penalty. Such a resolution will prevent further unwarned consumer exposures and expensive and time consuming litigation.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Michael Freund

cc: The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc.

Attachments:

Certificate of Merit
Certificate of Service
OEHHA Summary to Bumble Bee Foods, LLC
Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to Attorney General only)

CERTIFICTE OF MERIT

Re: The Chemical Toxin Working Group Inc.'s Notice of Proposition 65 Violations by Bumble Bee Foods, LLC

- I, Michael Freund hereby declare:
- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached Notice of Violation in which it is alleged that the party identified in the Notice has 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 The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc. The Notice of Violation alleges that the party identified has exposed persons in California to the listed chemical that is the subject of this Notice. Please refer to the Notice of Violation for additional details regarding the product name(s) and alleged violations.
- 3. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who have reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the alleged exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of this Notice. I have reviewed the laboratory testing results for the chemical subject to this Notice and relied on these results. The testing was conducted by a reputable testing laboratory by experienced scientists. The facts, studies or other data derived through this investigation overwhelmingly demonstrate that the party identified in the Notice of Violation exposes persons to the listed chemical that is the subject of this Notice.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through these consultants and on other information in my possession, I believe there is sufficient evidence that human exposures exist from exposure to the listed product from the noticed party. Furthermore, 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 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 California Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health & 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: November 12, 2013

Michael Freund

Attorney for The Chemical Toxin Working

Group, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County of Alameda. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within entitled action. My business address is 1919 Addison Street, Suite 105, Berkeley, California 94704. On November 12, 2013 I served the within:

Notice of Violation By Bumble Bee Foods, LLC for Violation of California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq. and Certificate of Merit (Supporting Documentation sent to Attorney General only)

on the parties in said action, by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States Post Office mail box in Berkeley, California addressed to the names set forth on the Notice of Violation and on the attached Service List.

I, Michael Freund, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on November 12, 2013 at Berkeley, California

Michael Freund

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