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18 as DR. McDOUGALL'S RIGHT FOODS and  
19 SAN FRANCISCO SPICE CO. INC.

20 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
21 COUNTY OF ORANGE, CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER

22 ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH  
23 CENTER, a California non-profit  
24 corporation,

25 Plaintiff,

26 vs.

27 DR. McDOUGALL'S RIGHT FOODS,  
28 INC., SAN FRANCISCO SPICE  
COMPANY, and DOES 1-25, Inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: 30-2013-00676051-CU-MC-CJC

[PROPOSED] STIPULATED CONSENT  
JUDGMENT; [PROPOSED] ORDER

[Health & Safety Code § 25249.5, *et seq.*]

1 **1. INTRODUCTION**

2 **1.1** This Action arises out of the alleged violations of California’s Safe Drinking  
3 Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.5  
4 *et seq.* (also known as and herein after referred to as “Proposition 65”) regarding the following  
5 products (hereinafter collectively the “Covered Products” or “Covered Product” to refer to a  
6 single product):

- 7 a. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Vegan Hot & Sour Ramen
- 8 b. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Vegan Miso Ramen
- 9 c. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Asian Entrée Spicy Szechuan Noodle
- 10 d. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Asian Entrée Thai Peanut Noodle
- 11 e. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Asian Entrée Teriyaki Noodle
- 12 f. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Asian Entrée Soy Ginger Noodle
- 13 g. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Asian Entrée Spicy Kung Pao Noodle
- 14 h. Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Vegan Chicken Ramen

15 **1.2** Plaintiff Environmental Research Center, Inc. (“ERC”) is a California non-profit  
16 corporation acting as a private enforcer of Proposition 65 that is dedicated to, among other  
17 causes, helping safeguard the public from health hazards by reducing the use and misuse of  
18 hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees,  
19 and encouraging corporate responsibility. ERC brings this Action in the public interest pursuant  
20 to California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7.

21 **1.3** BRIGHT PEOPLE FOODS, INC. doing business as DR. McDOUGALL’S  
22 RIGHT FOODS and SAN FRANCISCO SPICE CO. INC. (collectively “Defendants”) are each a  
23 California Corporation. ERC alleges that at all relevant times for purposes of this Consent  
24 Judgment, each employed ten or more persons, and each qualified as a “person in the course of  
25 doing business” within the meaning of Proposition 65. Defendants manufacture, distribute  
26 and/or sell the Covered Products.

27 **1.4** ERC and Defendants are hereinafter sometimes referred to individually as a  
28 “Party” or collectively as the “Parties.”

1           **1.5**     On September 17, 2012, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section  
2 25249.7(d)(1), ERC served a Notice of Violations of Proposition 65 (“Notice of Violations”) on  
3 the California Attorney General, other public enforcers, and Defendants. A true and correct copy  
4 of the Notice of Violations is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

5           **1.6**     After more than sixty (60) days passed since service of the Notice of Violations,  
6 and no designated governmental agency filed a complaint against Defendants with regard to the  
7 Covered Products or the alleged violations, ERC filed the Complaint in this Action (the  
8 “Complaint”) for injunctive relief and civil penalties. The Complaint is based on the allegations  
9 in the Notice of Violations.

10          **1.7**     The Complaint and the Notice of Violations each allege that Defendants  
11 manufactured, distributed, and/or sold in California the Covered Products, which contain lead, a  
12 chemical listed under Proposition 65 as a carcinogen and reproductive toxin, and expose  
13 consumers at a level requiring a Proposition 65 warning. They further allege that use of the  
14 Covered Products exposes persons in California to lead without first providing clear and  
15 reasonable warnings, in violation of California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.6.  
16 Defendants deny all material allegations of the Notice of Violation and the Complaint, assert  
17 numerous affirmative defenses, and specifically deny that the Covered Products require a  
18 Proposition 65 warning or otherwise cause harm to any person.

19          **1.8**     The Parties enter into this Consent Judgment in order to settle, compromise and  
20 resolve disputed claims and avoid prolonged and costly litigation. Nothing in this Consent  
21 Judgment, nor compliance with its terms, shall constitute or be construed as an admission by any  
22 of the Parties, or by any of their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents,  
23 parent companies, subsidiaries, divisions, affiliates, suppliers, franchisees, licensees, distributors,  
24 wholesalers, or retailers, of any fact, conclusion of law, issue of law, violation of law, fault,  
25 wrongdoing, or liability, including without limitation, any admission concerning any alleged  
26 violation of Proposition 65. Except as expressly set forth herein, nothing in this Consent  
27 Judgment shall prejudice, waive, or impair any right, remedy, argument, or defense the Parties  
28 may have in any other or future legal proceeding unrelated to these proceedings. However,

1 nothing in this Section shall affect the enforceability of this Consent Judgment.

2           **1.9**     The “Effective Date” of this Consent Judgment shall be the date this Consent  
3 Judgment is entered by the Court.

4 **2. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

5           For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate that this Court has  
6 jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Action and personal jurisdiction over the Parties, that  
7 venue is proper in this Court, and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment  
8 pursuant to the terms set forth herein.

9 **3. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, REFORMULATION, TESTING, AND WARNINGS**

10           **3.1**     Beginning on the Effective Date, Defendants shall be permanently enjoined from  
11 manufacturing for sale in California, directly selling to a consumer in California or “Distributing  
12 into California” any of the Covered Products for which the maximum daily dose recommended  
13 on the label contains more than 0.5 micrograms of lead, unless such Covered Product complies  
14 with the warning requirements in Section 3.3 or qualifies as a “Reformulated Covered Product”  
15 pursuant to Section 3.4. “Distributing into California” and “Distribute into California” mean to  
16 directly ship any of the Covered Products into California for sale or to sell any of the Covered  
17 Products to a distributor that Defendants know will sell the Covered Product in California.

18           **3.2     Calculation of Lead Levels**

19           As used in this Consent Judgment, lead levels are calculated pursuant to the testing  
20 protocol described in Section 3.5. For purposes of measuring the lead, the second highest lead  
21 detection result of the six (6) randomly selected samples of the Covered Products will be  
22 controlling.

23           **3.3     Clear and Reasonable Warnings.**

24           For those Covered Products that are subject to the warning requirement of Section 3.1,  
25 Defendants shall provide the following warning:

26           **WARNING: This product contains [lead,] a chemical known to the State of**  
27           **California to cause [cancer and] birth defects or other reproductive harm.**

28           The text in brackets in the warning above is optional, except that the term “cancer” must

1 be included only if the maximum daily dose recommended on the label contains more than 15  
2 micrograms of lead.

3 The warning shall be prominently affixed to or printed upon the product’s label of the  
4 Covered Product so as to be clearly conspicuous, as compared with other statements or designs  
5 on the label as to render it likely to be read and understood by an ordinary purchaser or user of  
6 the product. If the warning is displayed on the product’s label, it shall be at least the same size as  
7 the largest of any other health or safety warnings on the product and the word “**WARNING**”  
8 shall be in all capital letters and in bold print.

9 For any products sold via a website, the warning shall appear on the checkout page on the  
10 website for California consumers relating to any of the Covered Products being sold.

11 Defendants shall not provide any additional information, statements, or comments  
12 regarding Proposition 65 in addition to the Warning.

### 13 **3.4 Reformulated Covered Products.**

14 A Reformulated Covered Product is one for which the maximum recommended daily  
15 serving on the label contains no more than 0.5 micrograms of lead per day.

### 16 **3.5 Testing and Quality Control Methodology**

17 (a) Beginning within one year of the Effective Date, Defendants shall test six (6)  
18 randomly selected samples of the Covered Products prior to shipment (in the form intended for  
19 sale to the end-user) for lead content. The testing requirement does not apply to any of the  
20 Covered Products for which Defendants have provided the warning specified in Section 3.3.

21 (b) Testing for lead shall be performed using Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass  
22 Spectrometry (“ICP-MS”) or any other testing method subsequently agreed to in writing by the  
23 Parties.

24 (c) All testing pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be performed by an  
25 independent third party laboratory certified by the California Environmental Laboratory  
26 Accreditation Program or a laboratory that is registered with the United States Food & Drug  
27 Administration for the analysis of heavy metals.

28 (d) Defendants shall retain all test results and documentation for a period of four (4)

1 years from the date of the test. Defendants shall provide copies of the test results to ERC within  
2 10 days of Defendants' receipt of the test results.

3 (e) Defendants shall test each of the Covered Products prior to shipment at least once  
4 a year for a minimum of four (4) consecutive years by testing six (6) randomly selected samples  
5 of the Covered Products which Defendants intend to sell or are manufacturing for sale in  
6 California, directly selling to a consumer in California, or "Distributing into California. If tests  
7 conducted pursuant to this Section demonstrate that no warning is required for a Covered  
8 Product during each of four (4) consecutive years, then the testing requirements of this Section  
9 will no longer be required as to that Covered Product.

10 (f) For purposes of this Consent Judgment, daily lead exposure levels shall be  
11 measured in micrograms, and shall be calculated using the following formula: Micrograms of  
12 lead per gram of product, multiplied by grams per serving of the product (using the total gram  
13 net weight for the product as printed on the front label of the cup), which equals micrograms of  
14 lead exposure per day.

15 (g) Should testing results conducted pursuant to paragraphs 3.2 and 3.5(a) indicate  
16 that the second highest lead detection result is more than 0.5 micrograms of lead in any of the  
17 Covered Products, Defendants shall select three additional randomly selected samples of the  
18 Covered Product from the same manufactured lot for testing. The lead detection test results from  
19 those three additional samples shall be averaged together (the "Retest Result") and shall be used  
20 instead of the previous second highest test result pursuant to Section 3.2. Thus, for purposes of  
21 measuring the lead when this Section 3.5(g) is implemented, the second highest lead detection  
22 result of the six (6) results [the existing lead detection results of the five randomly selected  
23 samples and the Retest Result] will be controlling.

#### 24 **4. SETTLEMENT PAYMENT**

25 **4.1** Defendants shall make a total payment of \$65,000.00 within 10 business days of  
26 the Effective Date, which shall be in full and final satisfaction of all potential civil penalties,  
27 payment in lieu of civil penalties, and attorney's fees and costs. The payment will be sent to  
28 counsel for ERC, William F. Wraith, Wraith Law, 16485 Laguna Canyon Road, Suite 250,

1 Irvine, California, 92618. The payment shall be issued as separate checks apportioned as follows:

2           **4.2**     \$14,020.00 as civil penalties pursuant to California Health and Safety Code  
3 Section 25249.7(b)(1). Of this amount, \$10,515.00 shall be payable to the Office of  
4 Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (“OEHHA”), and \$3,505.00 shall be payable to ERC.  
5 (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.12(c)(1) & (d)). ERC’s counsel will forward the civil  
6 penalty to OEHHA.

7           **4.3**     \$18,823.00 payable to ERC as reimbursement to ERC for reasonable costs  
8 associated with the enforcement of Proposition 65 and other costs incurred as a result of work in  
9 bringing this Action.

10           **4.4**     \$17,142.00 payable to ERC in lieu of further civil penalties, for the day-to-day  
11 business activities such as (1) continued enforcement of Proposition 65, which includes work,  
12 analysis and testing of consumer products that may contain Proposition 65 chemicals, focusing  
13 on the same or similar type of ingestible products that are the subject matter of the current action;  
14 (2) the continued monitoring of past consent judgments and settlements to ensure companies are  
15 complying with Proposition 65; and (3) giving a donation of \$ 857.00 to the Center For  
16 Environmental Health to address reducing toxic chemical exposures in California.

17           **4.5**     \$15,015.00 payable to William F. Wraith as reimbursement of ERC’s attorney’s  
18 fees and attorney’s costs.

19 **5. MODIFICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

20           This Consent Judgment may be modified only by: (i) Written agreement and stipulation  
21 of the Parties and (ii) upon entry of a modified Consent Judgment by the Court. ERC is entitled  
22 to reimbursement all reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs regarding any modification requested  
23 or initiated by Defendants.

24 **6. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION, ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

25           **6.1**     This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to enforce, modify or terminate  
26 this Consent Judgment.

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1           **6.2**     Any Party may, by motion or application for an order to show cause filed with  
2 this Court, enforce the terms and conditions contained in this Consent Judgment. The prevailing  
3 party in any such motion or application may request that the Court award its reasonable  
4 attorneys' fees and costs associated with such motion or application.

5           **6.3**     If ERC alleges that any Covered Product fails to qualify as a Reformulated  
6 Covered Product (and for which ERC alleges no warning has been provided), then ERC shall  
7 inform Defendants in a reasonably prompt manner of its test results, including information  
8 sufficient to permit Defendants to identify the Covered Products at issue. Defendants shall,  
9 within thirty (30) days following Defendants' receipt of such notice, provide ERC with testing  
10 information demonstrating Defendants' compliance with the Consent Judgment, if warranted.  
11 The parties shall first attempt to resolve the matter prior to ERC taking any further legal action  
12 pursuant to Section 14.

## 13 **7. APPLICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

14           This Consent Judgment shall apply to, be binding upon, and benefit the Parties and their  
15 respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, parent companies, subsidiaries,  
16 divisions, affiliates, franchisees, licensees, customers (excluding private labelers), distributors,  
17 wholesalers, retailers, predecessors, successors, and assigns.

## 18 **8. BINDING EFFECT, CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED**

19           **8.1**     ERC acting on its own behalf and in the public interest releases Defendants and  
20 their directors, officers, shareholders and affiliates (including those companies that are under  
21 common ownership or common control), customers (excluding private label customers), parent  
22 and affiliate companies (including Made Right, LLC) from all claims for violations of  
23 Proposition 65 up through the Effective Date based on exposure to lead from the Covered  
24 Products as set forth in the Notice of Violations. Compliance with the terms of this Consent  
25 Judgment shall be deemed to constitute compliance with respect to exposures to lead from the  
26 covered Products as set forth in the Notice of Violations and Complaint.

### 27           **8.2     Unknown Claims**

28           It is possible that other claims not now known to the Parties arising out of the facts



1 alleged in the Notice of Violations or the Complaint and relating to lead in the Covered Products  
2 that were manufactured before the Effective Date will develop or be discovered. ERC, on behalf  
3 of itself only, waives California Civil Code Section 1542 as to any such unknown claims.

4 California Civil Code Section 1542 reads as follows:

5 **A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE**  
6 **CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER**  
7 **FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN**  
8 **BY HIM OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER**  
9 **SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR.**

10 **8.3** ERC, on one hand, and Defendants, on the other hand, each release and waive all  
11 claims they may have against each other and their respective officers, directors, employees,  
12 agents, representatives, and attorneys for any statements or actions made or undertaken by them  
13 or their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, and attorneys in  
14 connection with the Notice of Violations or this Action.

15 **9. CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY**

16 **9.1** The terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment have been reviewed by the  
17 respective counsel for the Parties prior to its signing, and each Party has had an opportunity to  
18 fully discuss the terms and conditions with its counsel. In any subsequent interpretation or  
19 construction of this Consent Judgment, the terms and conditions shall not be construed against  
20 any Party.

21 **9.2** In the event that any of the provisions of this Consent Judgment is held by a court  
22 to be unenforceable, the validity of the remaining enforceable provisions shall not be adversely  
23 affected.

24 **9.3** The terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by and  
25 construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

26 **10. PROVISION OF NOTICE**

27 All notices required to be given to either Party to this Consent Judgment by the other  
28 shall be in writing and sent to the following agents listed below by: (a) first-class, registered, (b)

1 certified mail, (b) overnight courier, or (c) personal delivery to the following

2 **For Environmental Research Center**

3 Chris Heptinstall, Executive Director  
4 Environmental Research Center  
5 3111 Camino del Rio North, Suite 400  
6 San Diego, CA 92108

7 William F. Wraith, Esq.  
8 Wraith Law  
9 16485 Laguna Canyon Road, Suite 250  
10 Irvine, CA 92618

11 **For Defendants**

12 William S. Solari, III  
13 Matthew S. Kenefick  
14 Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP  
15 Two Embarcadero Center, Fifth Floor  
16 San Francisco, California 94111  
17 Telephone: (415) 398-8080  
18 Facsimile: (415) 398-5584

19 With a copy to:

20 Michael Vinnicombe  
21 San Francisco Spice Co.  
22 105 Associated Road  
23 South San Francisco, CA 94080

24 **11. COURT APPROVAL**

25 **11.1** Upon execution of this Consent Judgment by the Parties, ERC shall notice a  
26 Motion for Court Approval. The Parties shall use their best efforts to support entry of this  
27 Consent Judgment.

28 **11.2** If the California Attorney General objects to any term in this Consent Judgment,  
the Parties shall use their best efforts to resolve the concern in a timely manner, and if possible  
prior to the hearing on the motion.

**11.3** If this Stipulated Consent Judgment is not approved by the Court despite the  
Parties' best efforts, it shall be null and void and have no force or effect.

**12. EXECUTION AND COUNTERPARTS**

This Stipulated Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts, which taken together

1 shall be deemed one document. A facsimile or .pdf signature shall be construed as valid and as  
2 the original signature.

3 **13. ENTIRE AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZATION**

4 **13.1** This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding  
5 of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter herein, and any and all prior discussions,  
6 negotiations, commitments and understandings related hereto. No representations, oral or  
7 otherwise, express or implied, other than those contained herein have been made by any Party.  
8 No other agreements, oral or otherwise, unless specifically referred to herein, shall be deemed to  
9 exist or to bind any Party.

10 **13.2** Each signatory to this Consent Judgment certifies that he or she is fully authorized  
11 by the Party he or she represents to stipulate to this Consent Judgment. Except as explicitly  
12 provided herein, each Party shall bear its own fees and costs.

13 **14. GOOD FAITH ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE DISPUTES**

14 **14.1** If a dispute arises with respect to either Party's compliance with the terms of this  
15 Consent Judgment entered by the Court, the Parties shall meet in person or by telephone and  
16 endeavor to resolve the dispute in an amicable manner. No action or motion may be filed in the  
17 absence of such a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute beforehand. In the event an action or  
18 motion is filed, however, the prevailing party may seek to recover costs and attorney's fees. As  
19 used in the preceding sentence, the term "prevailing party" means a party who is successful in  
20 obtaining relief more favorable to it than the relief that the other party was amenable to providing  
21 in writing and with specificity during the Parties' good faith attempt to resolve the dispute that is  
22 the subject of such enforcement action.

23 **15. REQUEST FOR FINDINGS AND FOR APPROVAL**

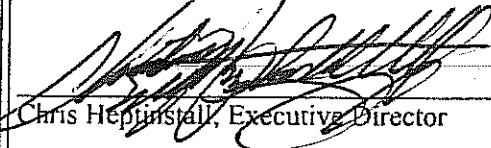
24 **15.1** This Consent Judgment has come before the Court upon the request of the Parties.  
25 The Parties request the Court to fully review this Consent Judgment and, being fully informed  
26 regarding the matters which are the subject of this action, to:

27 (a) Find that the terms and provisions of this Consent Judgment represent a good  
28 faith settlement of all matters raised by the allegations of the Complaint, that the matter has been

1 diligently prosecuted, and that the public interest is served by such settlement; and  
2 (b) Make the findings pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section  
3 25249.7(f)(4), and approve the Settlement, and this Consent Judgment.

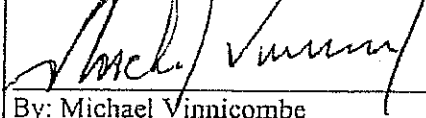
4 **IT IS SO STIPULATED:**

5 **ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER**

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8 Chris Heppinstall, Executive Director

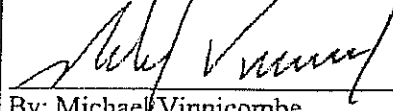
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9 **DEFENDANTS**  
10 **BRIGHT PEOPLE FOODS, INC. doing business**  
11 **as DR. McDOUGALL'S RIGHT FOODS**

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14 By: Michael Vinnicombe  
15 Its: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: 7/23/14

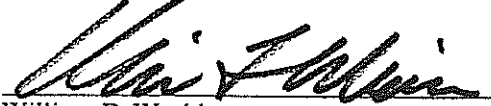
16 **SAN FRANCISCO SPICE CO., INC.**

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18 \_\_\_\_\_  
19 By: Michael Vinnicombe  
20 Its: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: 7/23/14

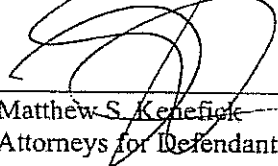
21 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

22 **WRAITH LAW**

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25 William F. Wraith  
26 Counsel for Environmental Research Center

Dated: 7/24/2014

27 **JEFFER MANGELS BUTLER & MITCHELL, LLP**

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Dated: 7/24/2014

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**ORDER AND JUDGMENT**

Based upon the Parties' Stipulation, and good cause appearing therefor, this Consent Judgment is approved and judgment is hereby entered according to its terms.  
IT IS SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge, Superior Court of the State of California

# **EXHIBIT “A”**

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September 17, 2012

## **NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.5 ET SEQ. (PROPOSITION 65)**

Dear Alleged Violators and the Appropriate Public Enforcement Agencies:

I represent Environmental Research Center (“ERC”), 3111 Camino Del Rio North, San Diego, CA 92108; Tel. (619) 500-3090. ERC’s Executive Director is Chris Heptinstall. ERC is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes, helping safeguard the public from health hazards by bringing about a reduction in the use and misuse of hazardous and toxic chemicals, facilitating a safe environment for consumers and employees, and encouraging corporate responsibility.

ERC has identified violations of California’s Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (“Proposition 65”), which is codified at California Health & Safety Code §25249.5 *et seq.*, with respect to the products identified below. These violations have occurred and continue to occur because the alleged Violators identified below failed to provide required clear and reasonable warnings with these products. This letter serves as a notice of these violations to the alleged Violators and the appropriate public enforcement agencies. Pursuant to Section 25249.7(d) of the statute, ERC intends to file a private enforcement action in the public interest 60 days after effective service of this notice unless the public enforcement agencies have commenced and are diligently prosecuting an action to rectify these violations.

**General Information about Proposition 65.** A copy of a summary of Proposition 65, prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, is an attachment with the copy of this letter served to the alleged Violators identified below.

**Alleged Violators.** The names of the companies covered by this notice that violated Proposition 65 (hereinafter “the Violators”) are:

**Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods, Inc.  
San Francisco Spice Co.**

**Consumer Products and Listed Chemicals.** The products that are the subject of this notice and the chemical in those products identified as exceeding allowable levels are:

**Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods Vegan Hot & Sour Ramen - Lead**

**Dr. McDougall's Right Foods Vegan Miso Ramen - Lead**

**Dr. McDougall's Right Foods Asian Entrée Spicy Szechuan Noodle- Lead**

**Dr. McDougall's Right Foods Asian Entrée Thai Peanut Noodle - Lead**

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**Dr. McDougall's Right Foods Asian Entrée Spicy Kung Pao Noodle - Lead**

**Dr. McDougall's Right Foods Vegan Chicken Ramen - Lead**

On February 27, 1987, the State of California officially listed lead as a chemical known to cause developmental toxicity, and male and female reproductive toxicity. On October 1, 1992, the State of California officially listed lead and lead compounds as chemicals known to cause cancer.

It should be noted that ERC may continue to investigate other products that may reveal further violations and result in subsequent notices of violations.

**Route of Exposure.** The consumer exposures that are the subject of this notice result from the purchase, acquisition, handling and recommended use of these products. Consequently, the primary route of exposure to these chemicals has been and continues to be through ingestion, but may have also occurred and may continue to occur through inhalation and/or dermal contact.

**Approximate Time Period of Violations.** Ongoing violations have occurred every day since at least September 17, 2009, as well as every day since the products were introduced into the California marketplace, and will continue every day until clear and reasonable warnings are provided to product purchasers and users or until these known toxic chemicals are either removed from or reduced to allowable levels in the products. Proposition 65 requires that a clear and reasonable warning be provided prior to exposure to the identified chemicals. The method of warning should be a warning that appears on the product label. The Violators violated Proposition 65 because it failed to provide persons handling and/or using these products with appropriate warnings that they are being exposed to these chemicals.

Consistent with the public interest goals of Proposition 65 and a desire to have these ongoing violations of California law quickly rectified, ERC is interested in seeking a constructive resolution of this matter that includes an enforceable written agreement by the Violators to: (1) reformulate the identified products so as to eliminate further exposures to the identified chemicals, or provide appropriate warnings on the labels of these products; and (2) pay



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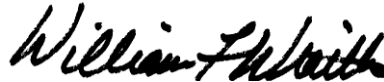
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an appropriate civil penalty. Such a resolution will prevent further unwarned consumer exposures to the identified chemicals, as well as an expensive and time consuming litigation.

ERC has retained me as legal counsel in connection with this matter. **Please direct all communications regarding this Notice of Violations to my attention at the law office address and telephone number indicated on the letterhead.**

Sincerely,



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William F. Wraith

Attachments

Certificate of Merit

Certificate of Service

OEHHA Summary (to Dr. McDougall's Right Foods, Inc., San Francisco Spice Co., and each Registered Agent for Service of Process only)

Additional Supporting Information for Certificate of Merit (to AG only)

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT**

**Re: Environmental Research Center's Notice of Proposition 65 Violations by Dr. McDougall's Right Foods, Inc. and San Francisco Spice Co.**

I, William F. Wraith, declare:

1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached 60-day notice in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notice violated California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.

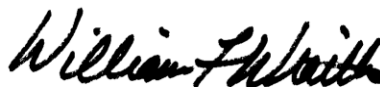
2. I am an attorney for the noticing party.

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 exposure to the listed chemicals that are the subject of the notice.

4. Based on the information obtained through those consultants, 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 that 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. Along with the copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General is attached additional factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in California 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.

Dated: September 17, 2012



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William F. Wraith

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true and correct:

I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of 18 years of age, and am not a party to the within entitled action. My business address is 306 Joy Street, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia 30742. I am a resident or employed in the county where the mailing occurred. The envelope or package was placed in the mail at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

On September 17, 2012, I served the following documents: **NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; “THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY”** on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it in a US Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Certified Mail:

President or CEO Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods, Inc. 101 Utah Avenue South San Francisco, CA 94080	James Ahrens (Registered Agent for Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods, Inc.) 101 Utah Avenue South San Francisco, CA 94080
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President or CEO Dr. McDougall’s Right Foods, Inc. 105 Associated Road South San Francisco, CA 94080	Michael Vinnicombe (Registered Agent for San Francisco Spice Co.) 105 Associated Road South San Francisco, CA 94080
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President or CEO  
San Francisco Spice Co.  
P.O. Box 426  
South San Francisco, CA 94083

On September 17 2012, I served the following documents: **NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AS REQUIRED BY CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.7(d)(1)** on the following parties by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to the party listed below and depositing it in a US Postal Service Office with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Certified Mail:

Office of the California Attorney General  
Prop 65 Enforcement Reporting  
1515 Clay Street, Suite 2000  
Post Office Box 70550  
Oakland, CA 94612-0550

On September 17, 2012, I served the following documents: **NOTICE OF VIOLATION, CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §25249.5 ET SEQ.; CERTIFICATE OF MERIT** on

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each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope, addressed to each of the parties on the Service List attached hereto, and depositing it with the U.S. Postal Service with the postage fully prepaid for delivery by Priority Mail.

Executed on September 17, 2012, in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amber Schaub", written in a cursive style.

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Amber Schaub

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