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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

AS YOU SOW,

Plaintiff,

v.

ICREST INTERNATIONAL LLC

Defendant.

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

**[PROPOSED] CONSENT JUDGMENT**

Civil Case

This Consent Judgment is entered into by and between Plaintiff As You Sow (“AYS”) and Defendant Icrest International LLC (“Defendant”), to resolve claims against Defendant raised in the Plaintiff’s Complaint in the above-captioned action, which was filed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

This Consent Judgment shall be effective upon entry. AYS and Defendant (collectively “the Parties”) agree to the terms and conditions set forth below.

1 **1. INTRODUCTION**

2 1.1 AYS is a non-profit corporation dedicated to, among other causes, the protection of  
3 the environment, the promotion of human health, the improvement of worker and consumer rights,  
4 environmental education, and corporate accountability. AYS is based in Oakland, California and  
5 is incorporated under the laws of the State of California.

6 1.2 Defendant produces, distributes, and/or sells Yatta! Brand Roasted Seaweed Sushi  
7 Nori Half Sheet (the "Covered Product").

8 1.3 AYS alleges in the Complaint that the Covered Product contains cadmium, which  
9 is a chemical listed by the State of California as known to cause cancer, birth defects, or other  
10 reproductive harm, pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986  
11 ("Proposition 65"), California Health and Safety Code §25249.5 *et seq.*

12 1.4 On November 4, 2014, AYS sent 60-day Notices of Violation to Defendant and to  
13 public enforcers as required by Health and Safety Code section 25249.7, alleging that Defendant  
14 violated Proposition 65 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings before exposing  
15 persons to cadmium contained in the Covered Product.

16 1.5 The Parties have agreed to enter into this Consent Judgment to settle Plaintiff's  
17 claims with regard to the Covered Product and to avoid prolonged and costly litigation.

18 1.6 By executing and complying with this Consent Judgment, neither Party admits any  
19 facts or conclusions of law alleged in the Complaint, or to the existence of any other statutory,  
20 common law, or equitable claim or requirement relating to or arising from the production, sale, or  
21 distribution of the Covered Product in California.

22 1.7 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive, or impair any right,  
23 remedy, or defense that AYS and Defendant may have in any other, or in future, legal proceedings  
24 unrelated to this action. This paragraph shall not diminish or otherwise affect the obligation,  
25 responsibilities, and duties of the Parties under this Consent Judgment.

26 1.8 The term "Effective Date" means the date of entry of this Consent Judgment.  
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1 **2. JURISDICTION**

2 For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate that this Court has  
3 jurisdiction over the allegations contained in the Complaint and personal jurisdiction over  
4 Defendant; venue is proper in Alameda County; the Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent  
5 Judgment as a resolution of all claims alleged in the Complaint; and the Court shall retain  
6 jurisdiction to enforce the Consent Judgment.

7 **3. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF**

8 3.1 Beginning on September 10, 2015, or thirty days from the Effective Date of this  
9 Consent Judgment, whichever is earlier, all Covered Products produced, distributed, or sold by  
10 Defendant in the State of California shall provide the following warning statement:

11 **PROPOSITION 65 WARNING:** Ingesting this product will expose you to chemicals,  
12 including cadmium, known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects and  
13 other reproductive harm.

14 3.2 Defendant shall prominently affix or print the warning statement required in  
15 Paragraph 3.1 on the Covered Product's packaging and labeling. The warning statement shall be  
16 displayed with such conspicuousness, as compared with other words, statements, designs, or  
17 devices on the Covered Product, or its packaging or labeling, as to render the warning statement  
18 likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase  
19 and use.

20 3.3 The Parties agree, and the Court so finds, that the content and the placement of the  
21 warning statement as shown in Exhibit A hereto meets the requirements of Paragraphs 3.1 – 3.2 of  
22 this Consent Judgment.

23 **4. SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS**

24 4.1 Within thirty days of the Effective Date, Defendant shall pay \$5,750, in the form of  
25 a check made payable to As You Sow, as a civil penalty pursuant to Health and Safety Code  
26 section 25249.7(b). AYS shall remit seventy-five percent (75%) of this amount to the State of  
27 California pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25249.12(b).

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1           4.2    In Lieu Payment: Within thirty days of the Effective Date, Defendant shall pay  
2 \$5,750, in the form of a check made payable to AYS, with this amount to be used by AYS for  
3 grants to California non-profit organizations and by the AYS Environmental Enforcement Fund.  
4 These funds shall be used to reduce or remediate exposures to toxic chemicals and to increase  
5 consumer, worker, and community awareness of the health hazards posed by toxic chemicals in  
6 California. In deciding among grant proposals, the As You Sow Board of Directors ("Board")  
7 takes into consideration a number of important factors, including: (1) the nexus between the harm  
8 done in the underlying case(s) and the grant program work; (2) the potential for toxics reduction,  
9 prevention, remediation, or educational benefits to California citizens from the proposal; (3) the  
10 budget requirements of the proposed grantee and the alternate funding sources available to it for  
11 its project; and, (4) the Board's assessment of the proposed grantee's chances for success in its  
12 program work. AYS shall ensure that all funds will be disbursed and used in accordance with  
13 AYS' mission statement, articles of incorporation, bylaws, and applicable state and federal laws  
14 and regulations.

15           4.3    Within thirty days of the Effective Date, Defendant shall pay \$26,000, in the form  
16 of a check made payable to Altshuler Berzon Attorney-Client Trust Account, as reimbursement for  
17 AYS's attorneys' fees, investigation costs, and other reasonable costs and expenses.

18    **5. ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

19           The Parties may, by motion filed in this Court, enforce the terms and conditions of this  
20 Consent Judgment. In the event a dispute arises with respect to any of the provisions of this  
21 Consent Judgment, and prior to the filing of any such motion, the Parties shall meet and confer  
22 within ten days after either Party receives written notice of an alleged violation of this Agreement.  
23 The prevailing party in any dispute filed with the Court regarding compliance with the terms of  
24 this Consent Judgment shall be entitled to recover its costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

25    **6. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASE**

26           6.1    In further consideration of the promises and agreements herein contained, and for  
27 the payments to be made pursuant to this Consent Judgment, AYS on behalf of itself and in its  
28 representative capacity, its past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, successors, and/or

1 assignees, and in the interest of the general public, hereby waives all rights to institute or  
2 participate in, directly or indirectly, any form of legal action and releases all claims, including,  
3 without limitation, all actions, and causes of action, in law or in equity, suits, liabilities, demands,  
4 obligations, damages, costs, fines, penalties, losses, or expenses (including, but not limited to,  
5 investigation fees, expert fees, and attorney's fees) of any nature whatsoever, whether known or  
6 unknown, fixed or contingent (collectively "claims"), against Defendant, and each of its  
7 wholesalers, licensors, licensees, auctioneers, retailers, distributors, franchisees, dealers,  
8 customers, owners, purchasers, anyone who Defendant directly or indirectly sells the Covered  
9 Product to, users, parent companies, predecessors, successors, corporate affiliates, subsidiaries,  
10 ~~and their respective past and present members, officers, directors, attorneys, representatives,~~  
11 ~~shareholders, agents, and employees, including but not limited to Itochu International, Inc.~~  
12 (collectively "Releasees"), arising from the failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings regarding  
13 alleged exposures to cadmium in the Covered Product manufactured, distributed, or sold before  
14 the Effective Date.

15         6.2 Defendant hereby releases AYS from, and waives any claims against, AYS and its  
16 employees, parents, subsidiaries, officers, directors, employees, agents, insurers and  
17 representatives, and its successors and assigns ("AYS Releasees") for injunctive relief or damages,  
18 penalties, fines, sanctions, mitigation, fees (including fees of attorneys, experts, and others), costs,  
19 expenses, or any other sum incurred or claimed or which could have been claimed for matters  
20 related to the Notices or Complaint.

21         6.3 Defendant's compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall constitute  
22 compliance with Proposition 65 with respect to Defendant's alleged failure to warn about  
23 cadmium in the Covered Product.

24         6.4 Upon entry of the Consent Judgment, the Parties waive their respective rights to a  
25 hearing or trial on the allegations of the Complaint.

26 **7. GOVERNING LAW AND CONSTRUCTION**

27         7.1 This Consent Judgment shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with,  
28 the laws of the State of California.

1           7.2     The Parties, including their counsel, have participated in the preparation of this  
2 Consent Judgment which is the result of the joint efforts of the Parties. This Consent Judgment  
3 was subject to revision and modification by the Parties and has been accepted and approved as to  
4 form by the Parties and their counsel. Accordingly, any uncertainty or ambiguity existing in this  
5 Consent Judgment shall not be interpreted against any Party as a result of the manner of the  
6 preparation of this Consent Judgment.

7 **8.     MODIFICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

8           This Consent Judgment may be modified only upon written agreement of the Parties with  
9 approval of the Court, or pursuant to court order issued upon noticed motion of a Party for good  
10 cause shown and upon entry of a modified Consent Judgment by the Court. Any Party seeking to  
11 modify this Consent Judgment shall meet and confer in good faith with the other Party, and  
12 attempt to resolve any differences, prior to filing a motion to modify the Consent Judgment.

13 **9.     COURT APPROVAL**

14           9.1     The Court shall either approve or disapprove of this Consent Judgment in its  
15 entirety, without alteration, deletion or amendment, unless otherwise so stipulated by the Parties  
16 and their counsel. Defendant agrees not to oppose this Consent Judgment.

17           9.2     In the event the Court fails to approve and order entry of the Consent Judgment  
18 without any change (unless otherwise so stipulated by the Parties), this Consent Judgment shall  
19 become null and void upon the election of any Party and upon written notice to all of the Parties to  
20 the Action pursuant to the notice provisions herein, and shall not be introduced into evidence or  
21 otherwise used in any proceeding for any purpose.

22 **10.    ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

23           The Parties declare and represent that no promise, inducement or other agreement has been  
24 made conferring any benefit upon any Party except those contained herein and that this agreement  
25 contains the entire agreement pertaining to the subject matter hereof. This agreement supersedes  
26 any prior or contemporaneous negotiations, representations, agreements and understandings of the  
27 Parties with respect to such matters, whether written or oral. The Parties acknowledge that each  
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1 has not relied on any promise, representation or warranty, expressed or implied, not contained in  
2 this agreement.

3 **11. DURATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

4 This Consent Judgment shall terminate five years from the Effective Date unless the term  
5 of this Consent Judgment is extended. This Consent Judgment shall be extended only by a  
6 stipulation of the Parties that is entered by the Court.

7 **12. APPLICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT**

8 This Consent Judgment shall apply to and be binding upon the Parties hereto, their  
9 divisions, subdivisions and subsidiaries, and the successors or assigns of any of them.

10 **13. ATTORNEYS' FEES**

11 Except as specifically provided in this Consent Judgment, each Party shall bear its own  
12 attorneys' fees and costs incurred in connection with the 60-day Notices and Plaintiff's Complaint.

13 **14. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE §25249.7**

14 14.1 Plaintiff shall comply with the reporting requirements referred to in Health and  
15 Safety Code section 25249.7(f) (and established in Title 11 of the California Code of Regulations  
16 sections 3000-3008), and shall move for approval of this Consent Judgment pursuant to the terms  
17 thereof.

18 14.2 Defendant will reasonably cooperate in obtaining approval of this Consent  
19 Judgment.

20 **15. PROVISION OF NOTICE**

21 All correspondence and notices required by this Consent Judgment to the Parties shall be  
22 sent to:

23 Plaintiff As You Sow

24 As You Sow Foundation  
25 Attn: Danielle Fugere, President and Chief Counsel  
1611 Telegraph Street, Suite 1450  
Oakland, CA 94612  
26 Tel: (510) 735-8158

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With a copy to:

Barbara Chisholm  
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Altshuler Berzon LLP  
177 Post Street, Suite 300  
San Francisco, CA 94108  
Tel: (415) 421-7151

Defendant Icrest International LLC

725 S Figueroa St. #3050  
Los Angeles, CA 90017

With a copy to:

Shelley Hurwitz  
Holland & Knight  
400 South Hope Street, 8th Fl.  
Los Angeles, CA 90071  
Tel: (213) 896-2400

**16. EXECUTION AND COUNTERPARTS**

This Consent Judgment may be executed in one or more counterparts and by means of facsimile or portable document format (.pdf), which taken together shall be deemed to constitute one document.

**17. AUTHORIZATION**

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 and to enter into and execute the Consent Judgment on behalf of the Party represented and legally bind that Party. The undersigned have read, understand, and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

Dated: September 15, 2015

**ALTSHULER BERZON LLP**

By




BARBARA J. CHISHOLM

Attorneys for Plaintiff AS YOU SOW



1 Dated: August 14 2015

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

2 By   
3 SHELLEY G. HURWITZ

4 Attorneys for Defendant Icrest International LLC

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6 **SO AGREED:**

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8 Dated: Sept 15, 2015

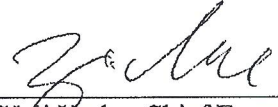
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10 By: 

11 Name: Andrew Beard  
12 Title: CEO

13 Dated: August 13, 2015

ICREST INTERNATIONAL LLC

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15 By:   
16 Yuji Urabe, Chief Executive Officer

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18 **IT IS SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:**

19 The Court hereby incorporates the terms of this Consent Judgment into this Order. If a  
20 Party violates the provisions of this Consent Judgment, this Court retains jurisdiction over this  
21 matter.  
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23 Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

24 HON. \_\_\_\_\_  
25 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

# EXHIBIT A



### What is YATTA! Brand?

YATTA! means "cheer" in Japanese and is a declaration to express achievement of happiness. YATTA! Brand offers a quality line of Japanese food products and is committed to providing our customers with a satisfying YATTA! cooking experience. Use our products to create your favorite Japanese dishes and you will feel YATTA! when you taste the results.

# Roasted Seaweed SUSHI NORI

Half Sheet

## SUSHI HAND ROLLS

### 1 package YATTA! Sushi Nori Half Sheets

4 cups Sushi rice (see recipe for preparation)

Your favorite filling (see our recipe book for)

**Sushi Rice** YATTA! cups.

2 cups short grain rice

2 cups plus 4 oz. water

### Sushi rice vinegar mixture:

1 cup rice vinegar 2 1/2 cup sugar 3 tablespoon salt

Wash and rinse rice. Cook in automatic rice cooker following manufacturer's instructions. (Recommended, for stove top rice cooking instructions see below.)

While rice is cooking, combine equal parts of rice vinegar, sugar and salt. Stir well. High heat until sugar and salt is dissolved. Bring to a boil. Remove from heat and add remaining amount of rice vinegar. Let cool to room temperature. Any remaining vinegar mixture can be used for dressing or as a dipping sauce.

When rice is done, place cooked rice into a large wooden or non-stick (see recipe book) 8 cup vinegar. Toss rice with hot rice vinegar. Wash any fish carefully, gently cut against the rice. Dry fish to maximize flavor. Spread out evenly, but do not touch the rice mixture.

**Assembly:**

1. Place one hot rice sheet in center middle of mat.

2. Add about 2/3 cup of your favorite fillings center of rice.

3. Roll over from inside of mat to make strips of a cone.

**For most top rice cooking method:**

(cook time: 3 min., Cook time: 40 min.)

Place uncooked rice in a vacuum and bamboo steamer basket. Add 1/2 cup of water. Place in a pot with a tight fitting lid over medium high heat and come bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium low and let simmer for approximately 20 minutes. Note: Do not uncover during this cooking period. Turn off heat and let sit covered for an additional 10 minutes. With a lid (wooden spoon) or any flat utensil, flip rice from top to bottom for another 5 min.

Cooked rice is ready to use.

## Nutrition Facts

Serving Size 2 sheets (2.5g)

Servings Per Container 5

### Amount Per Serving

Calories 5 Calories from Fat 0

% Daily Value\*

Total Fat 0g 0%

Saturated Fat 0g 0%

Trans Fat 0g 0%

Cholesterol 0mg 0%

Sodium 13mg 1%

Total Carbohydrate 1g 0%

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# SUSHI NORI

Roasted Seaweed



BRAND

YATTA!

2007/4/27 原 色 印刷複製・文字・円形ロゴ等!

RESEALABLE BAG

hot rice evenly. With any flat utensil, gently "cut" vinegar into rice. Try not to leave any clumps. Spread out evenly. Let cool to room temperature.

**Assembly:**

1. Place small ball of sushi rice in center middle of nori
2. Add about 2-3 oz. of your favorite fillings center of rice
3. Fold over both ends of seaweed to make shape of a cone.

**For stove top rice cooking method:**

**(prep time: 5 min. Cook time: 40 min.)**

Place uncooked rice in a colander and bowl; rinse until water becomes clear. Place rinsed rice and water in a pot with a tight fitting lid over medium-high heat and cover. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and let simmer for approximately 20 minutes. Note: Do not uncover during this cooking period. Turn off heat and let sit covered for an additional 10 minutes. With a flat wooden spoon or any flat utensil, fluff rice then replace cover for another 5 min. Cooked white rice is ready to use.

Sodium	less than	2,400mg	2,400mg
Total Carbohydrate		300g	375g
Dietary Fiber		25g	30g
Calories per gram			
Fat 9	•	Carbohydrate 4	• Protein 4

INGREDIENT: ROASTED SEAWEED

IMPORTED BY ICREST INTERNATIONAL LLC  
CARSON, CA 90746  
PRODUCT OF CHINA



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