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11	SUSAN DAVIA,	Case No. CIV 1604011	
12	Plaintiff,	SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT	
13	v.	PURSUANT TO C.C.P. SECTION 664.6 AS TO DEFENDANT	
14	FONEGEAR, LLC and DOES 1-150,	FONEGEAR, LLC	
15	Defendants.	Action Filed: November 3, 2016 Trial Date: None Assigned	
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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 The Parties

This settlement agreement pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 664.6 ("Agreement" or "Settlement Agreement") is entered into by and between Susan Davia, ("Davia") and Fonegear, LLC ("Fonegear") with Davia and Fonegear collectively referred to as the "Parties."

#### 1.2 Plaintiff

Davia is an individual residing in the State of California who seeks to promote awareness of exposure to toxic chemicals and improve human health by reducing or eliminating hazardous substances contained in consumer products.

### 1.3 Fonegear, LLC

Fonegear, LLC is a person in the course of doing business for purposes of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, California Health & Safety Code §§ 25249.6 et seq. ("Proposition 65"). Fonegear, LLC is alleged to have been responsible for the manufacture or distribution of the products subject to this Agreement.

### 1.4 General Allegations

Davia alleges that Fonegear participated in the manufacture (or other acquisition), distribution, and/or sale in the State of California, of vinyl-type AV cable products, which products exposed users to diisononyl phthalate ("DINP") without first providing "clear and reasonable warning" under Proposition 65. DINP is listed as a carcinogen pursuant to Proposition 65. DINP shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Listed Chemical." Fonegear denies that the AV cables expose a consumer to DINP from their reasonably anticipated use such that a warning is required.

#### 1.5 Notice of Violation

On March 22, 2016, Davia served Fonegear, LLC, and various public enforcement agencies with a document entitled "60-Day Notice of Violation" that provided public enforcers and the noticed entities with notice of alleged violations of Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 for failing to warn consumers of the presence of DINP, a toxic chemical found in Covered Products sold in California. Fonegear received the March 22, 2016, 60-Day Notice of Violation. The Parties each represent that, as of the date that it executes this Agreement, it is not aware of any public enforcer

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enter into this Agreement as a full and final settlement pursuant to Section 664.6 of any and all claims between the Parties for the purpose of avoiding the cost of prolonged litigation. This

Products, as identified in the 60-Day Notice.

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Settlement Agreement is the product of negotiation and compromise, and is accepted by the Parties for purposes of settling, compromising, and resolving issues disputed in this action. Fonegear denies the material, factual, and legal allegations contained in the Notice and in the operative

Complaint; maintains that the products that Fonegear has imported, distributed, wholesaled, or retailed for sale in California, including the Covered Products, have been and are in compliance with all laws, including but not limited to Proposition 65, and denies that the AV cable products

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For purposes of this Agreement only, the Parties stipulate that the Marin County Superior Court has jurisdiction over the Parties as to the allegations in the 60-Day Notice received from

expose a consumer to DINP from their reasonably anticipated use such that a warning is required.

Nothing in this Settlement Agreement is or shall be construed as an admission by the Parties of any

fact, conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation of law, nor shall compliance with the Settlement

Agreement constitute or be construed as an admission by the Parties of any fact, conclusion of law,

issue of law, or violation of law. However, notwithstanding the foregoing, this section shall not

diminish or otherwise affect the Parties' obligations, responsibilities, and duties under this

that is diligently prosecuting a Proposition 65 enforcement action related to DINP in the Covered

California, filed a Complaint in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of

Marin, Case No. CIV 1604011, alleging violations by Fonegear, LLC and Does 1-150 of Health &

Safety Code § 25249.6 based, inter alia, on the alleged exposures to DINP contained in certain AV

On November 3, 2016, Davia, allegedly acting in the interest of the general public in

This Agreement resolves claims that are denied and disputed by Fonegear. The Parties

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Davia, the allegations in the operative Complaint, and this Agreement, that venue is proper in County of Marin and that the Marin County Superior Court has jurisdiction to approve the Settlement Agreement and to enforce the provisions of the Settlement Agreement. As an express part of this Agreement, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 664.6, the Marin County Superior Court has jurisdiction over the parties to enforce the Settlement Agreement until performance in full of the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

#### **DEFINITIONS** 2.

- 2.1 The term "Covered Product" shall mean all FUSE brand audio/video cables, including, but not limited to #07676, #7502, #07507 and #07508.
- 2.2 The term "DEHP Free" shall mean less than or equal to 1,000 parts per million ("ppm") of each DEHP, DINP, DIDP, DnHP and DBP, in any component of any Covered Product, as determined by a minimum of duplicate quality controlled tests by an accredited U.S. laboratory using Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") testing methodologies 3580A and 8270C or equivalent methodologies utilized by federal or state agencies to determine the presence of, and measure the quantity of, phthalates in a solid substance for regulatory purposes.
- The term "Effective Date" shall mean the date on which the Court approves this 2.3 Agreement.
- 2.4 The term "Complaint" shall mean the November 3, 2016, Complaint, Marin County Superior Court Case No. civ 1604011.

#### 3. **NON-MONETARY RELIEF**

#### Products No Longer in Fonegear's Control 3.1

As a material term of this Agreement, Fonegear represents that, promptly after receipt of the 60-Day Notice from Davia in this case, Fonegear contacted California customer Bass Pro Shops and Bass Pro Shops removed all Covered Products from sale in California or to California customers. If at any time prior to July 1, 2017, Fonegear becomes aware that any California retail customer maintains any inventory of non-reformulated Covered Product, Fonegear shall send a letter, electronic or otherwise ("Notification Letter") to such customer advising that the Covered Products

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"contain DINP, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer," and request that the recipient return, at Fonegear' sole expense, all units of the Covered Product to Fonegear.

#### 3.2 **Product Reformulation Commitment**

- 3.2.1 No later than February 1, 2017, Fonegear shall provide the Phthalate Free phthalate concentration standards of Section 2.2 to the a) manufacturer or vendors of the Covered Products, and b) the vinyl components thereof, if known, and instruct each such entity not to incorporate into any of the Covered Products any raw or component materials that do not meet the Phthalate Free Fonegear shall maintain copies of all vendor concentration standards of Section 2.2. correspondence relating to the phthalate concentration standards for a period of two years from the date of any such correspondence. Fonegear shall produce copies of such correspondence within 30 days of an informal written request from Davia, provided that Davia may only make one request under this section.
- After the Effective Date, or February 1, 2017, whichever is later, Fonegear shall provide the Phthalate Free phthalate concentration standards of Section 2.2 to any new manufacturer or vendor of the Covered Products, any vinyl component thereof (if known), and any vendor of raw material used in any vinyl component thereof (if known), and instruct such manufacturer or vendor not to incorporate into the Covered Products any raw or component materials that do not meet the Phthalate Free concentration standards of Section 2.2. Prior to manufacture of any Covered Product, Fonegear shall obtain a written confirmation and accompanying laboratory test result from the new vendor of Covered Product demonstrating compliance with the Phthalate Free phthalate concentration standard. For every Covered Product Fonegear manufactures, causes to be manufactured, orders, causes to be ordered, or otherwise obtains from a new vendor after the Effective Date, Fonegear shall maintain copies of all testing of such products demonstrating compliance with this section and all vendor correspondence relating to the Phthalate Free concentration standards for a period of two years from such testing or correspondence.. Fonegear shall produce copies of such testing and correspondence within 30 days of an informal written request from Davia, provided that Davia may only make one request under this section.

3.2.3 After the Effective Date, or February 1, 2017, whichever is later, Fonegear shall not manufacture or cause to be manufactured, order or cause to be ordered, or distribute or cause to be distributed any Covered Product that is not Phthalate Free to any consumer in California.

# 3.3 Product Warnings for Existing Inventory

As of December 15, 2016, Fonegear shall not sell or ship any Covered Product to a California vendor or retailer, or sell or ship any Covered Product to a vendor or retailer that Fonegear reasonably understands maintains retail outlets in the California, unless such Covered Products are sold or shipped with one of the clear and reasonable warnings set forth hereafter.

Each warning shall be prominently placed with such conspicuousness as compared with other words, statements, designs, or devices as to render it likely to be read and understood by an ordinary individual under customary conditions *before* purchase or use. Each warning shall be provided in a manner such that the consumer or user understands to which *specific* Covered Product the warning applies, so as to minimize the risk of consumer confusion.

# (a) California Distribution.

(i) **Product Labeling.** For all Covered Products sold to any entity that Fonegear reasonably understands either maintains retail outlets in California or is a distributor for any entity that maintains retail outlets in the California, Fonegear shall affix a warning to the labeling of the Covered Product that states:

**WARNING:** This product contains DINP, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

- (b) Catalog and Internet Sales. For all Covered Products sold or offered for sale by Fonegear via catalog or the Internet to customers located in the United States any such catalog or Internet site offering any Covered Product for sale shall include a warning in the catalog or within the website, identifying the specific Covered Product to which the warning applies, as specified in Sections 3.2(b)(i) and (ii) below.
- (i) Mail Order Catalog Warning. Any warning provided in a mail order catalog must be in the same type size or larger than the Covered Product description text within the catalog. The following warning shall be provided on the same page and in the same

location as the display and/or description of the Covered Product:

**WARNING:** This product contains DINP, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

Where it is impracticable to provide the warning on the same page and in the same location as the display and/or description of the Covered Product, Fonegear may utilize a designated symbol to cross reference the applicable warning and shall define the term "designated symbol" with the following language on the inside of the front or back cover of the catalog or on the same page as any order form for the Old Covered Product(s):

**WARNING:** Certain products identified with this symbol ▼ contain DINP, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

The designated symbol must appear on the same page and in close proximity to the display and/or description of the Covered Product. On each page where the designated symbol appears, Fonegear must provide a header or footer directing the consumer to the warning language and definition of the designated symbol.

If Fonegear elects to provide warnings in any mail order catalog, then the warnings must be included in all catalogs offering to sell one or more Covered Products printed after the Effective Date.

(ii) Internet Website Warning. A warning must be given in conjunction with the sale, or offer of sale, of any Covered Products by Fonegear via the Internet, provided it appears either: (a) on the same web page on which a Covered Product is displayed; (b) on the same web page as the order form for a Covered Product; (c) on the same page as the price for any Covered Product; or (d) on one or more web pages displayed to a purchaser during the checkout process. The following warning statement shall be used and shall appear in any of the above instances adjacent to or immediately following the display, description, or price of the Covered Product for which it is given in the same type size or larger than the Covered Product description text:

**WARNING:** This product contains DINP, a chemical known to the State of California to cause

Alternatively, the designated symbol may appear adjacent to or immediately following the display, description, or price of the Covered Product for which a warning is being given, provided that the following warning statement also appears elsewhere on the same web page, as follows:

**WARNING:** Products identified on this page with the following symbol ▼ contain DINP, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

After February 1, 2017, Fonegear shall not distribute or otherwise sell any Covered Product to a California customer or retailer, or sell or ship any Covered Product to a customer or retailer that Fonegear reasonably understands maintains retail outlets in California unless it is Phthalate Free and shall not sell any Covered Product that is not Phthalate Free to a California customer or retailer, or sell or ship any Covered Product that is not Phthalate Free to a customer or retailer that Fonegear reasonably understands maintains retail outlets in California regardless of whether a Proposition 65 warning accompanies the product.

#### 4. MONETARY PAYMENTS

# 4.1 Civil Penalty Payment Pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b)

As a condition of settlement of all the claims referred to in this Agreement, Fonegear shall pay a total of \$6,000 in civil penalties in accordance with California Health & Safety Code § 25249.12(c)(1) & (d).

# 4.2 Augmentation of Penalty Payments

For purposes of the penalty assessment under this Agreement, Davia is relying entirely upon Fonegear for accurate, good faith reporting to Davia of the nature and amounts of relevant sales activity. If within nine (9) months of the Effective Date, Davia discovers and presents to Fonegear evidence that the Covered Products have been distributed by Fonegear in sales volumes materially different than those identified by Fonegear prior to execution of this Agreement, then Fonegear shall be liable for an additional penalty amount of \$10,000.00. Fonegear shall also be liable for any reasonable, additional attorney fees expended by Davia in discovering such additional retailers or sales. Davia agrees to provide Fonegear with a written demand for all such additional penalties and attorney fees under this Section. After service of such demand, Fonegear

shall have thirty (30) days to agree to the amount of fees and penalties owing by Fonegear and submit such payment to Davia in accordance with the method of payment of penalties and fees identified in Section 4.1 and 4.4. Should this thirty (30) day period pass without any such resolution between the parties and payment of such additional penalties and fees, Davia shall be entitled to file a formal legal claim for civil penalties pursuant to this Section and shall, if the prevailing party, be entitled to all reasonable attorney fees and costs relating to such claim. If Fonegear is a prevailing party on any claim filed by Davia under this section, then Fonegear shall be entitled to all reasonable attorney fees and costs relating to such claim.

# 4.3 Reimbursement of Plaintiff's Fees and Costs

The Parties acknowledge that Davia and her counsel offered to resolve this dispute without reaching terms on the amount of fees and costs to be reimbursed to them, thereby leaving this fee issue to be resolved after the material terms of the agreement had been settled. Fonegear then expressed a desire to resolve the fee and cost issue shortly after the other settlement terms had been finalized. The Parties then attempted to (and did) reach an accord on the compensation due to Davia and her counsel under general contract principles and the private attorney general doctrine codified at California Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5, for all work performed in this matter, except fees that may be incurred on appeal. Under these legal principles, Fonegear shall pay Davia's counsel, on or before the Effective Date, the amount of \$39,000 for fees and costs incurred investigating, litigating and enforcing this matter. Such payment shall be made payable to "Sheffer Law Firm".

#### 4.4 Payment Timing, Payments Held In Trust

Fonegear shall deliver all settlement payment checks required by this Agreement to its counsel within one week of the date that this Agreement is fully executed by the Parties. Fonegear's counsel shall confirm receipt of settlement checks in writing to plaintiff's counsel and, thereafter, hold the checks until such time as the Court approves this settlement contemplated by Section 7.

Within five business days of the date a) the Court approves the settlement and b) Davia's counsel informs counsel for Fonegear that the settlement has been approved, Fonegear's counsel

amounts due and owing from it under Section 4.2 that are not received by Sheffer Law Firm within five business days of the due date for such payment.

# 4.5 Issuance of 1099 Forms

After this Agreement has been executed, Fonegear shall transmit to its counsel simultaneously with the checks three separate 1099 forms, as follows:

- (a) The first 1099 shall be issued to the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, P.O. Box 4010, Sacramento, CA 95814 (EIN: 68-0284486) in the amount paid pursuant to Sections 4.1 and 4.2;
- (b) The second 1099 shall be issued to Davia in the amount paid pursuant to Sections 4.1 and 4.2, whose address and tax identification number shall be furnished upon request; and
- (c) The third 1099 shall be issued to the Sheffer Law Firm (EIN: 55-08-58910) in the amount paid pursuant to Section 4.2 and Section 4.3.

Fonegear's counsel shall transmit the 1099 forms to counsel for plaintiff at the same time that it transmits the checks to counsel for plaintiff.

#### 5. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASE

#### 5.1 Davia's Releases of Settling Defendants

- 5.1.1 This Agreement is a full, final, and binding resolution between Davia, acting on her own behalf and in the public interest, and Fonegear and each of its predecessors, directors, officers, employees, contractors, agents, and attorneys ("Defendant Releasees") and each entity to whom Defendant Releasees directly or indirectly distribute or sell the Covered Products ("Downstream Releasees") of any violation of Proposition 65 that has been or could have been asserted against Defendant Releasees and Downstream Releasees based on their failure to warn about alleged exposures to the Listed Chemical contained in the Covered Products sold by Fonegear before the Effective Date.
- 5.1.2 In further consideration of the promises and agreements herein contained, Davia, acting on her own behalf and in the public interest, releases Defendant Releasees and Downstream Releasees from all claims for violations of Proposition 65 with respect to the Listed Chemical in the

Covered Products manufactured, distributed, sold and/or offered for sale by Defendant Releasees and Downstream Releasees before the Effective Date as set forth in the 60-Day Notice of Violation identified in Section 1.5 of this Agreement. Settling Defendant's compliance with this Agreement shall constitute compliance with Proposition 65 with respect failure to warn about the alleged exposures to the Listed Chemical in the Covered Products after the Effective Date.

The Parties further understand and agree that this Section 5.1 release shall not extend upstream to any entities that manufactured any Covered Product or any component parts thereof, or any distributors or suppliers who sold any Covered Products or any component parts thereof to Defendants.

5.1.3 Upon court approval of the Agreement, the Parties waive their respective rights to a hearing or trial on the allegations of the Complaint.

# 5.2 Fonegear's Release of Davia

- 5.2.1 Fonegear waives any and all claims against Davia, her attorneys, and other representatives for any and all actions taken or statements made (or those that could have been taken or made) by Davia and her attorneys and other representatives, whether in the course of investigating claims or otherwise seeking enforcement of Proposition 65 against it in this matter, and/or with respect to the Covered Products.
- 5.2.2 Each Party also provides a general release herein which shall be effective as a full and final accord and satisfaction, as a bar to all actions, causes of action, obligations, costs, expenses, attorneys' fees, damages, losses, claims, liabilities and demands of any Party of any nature, character or kind, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, arising out of the subject matter of the Action as to Covered Products sold by Fonegear before the Effective Date. Each Party acknowledges that it is familiar with Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which provides 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 OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR.

Each Party expressly waives and relinquishes any and all rights and benefits that it may

have under, or which may be conferred on it by the provisions of Section 1542 of the California 1 Civil Code as well as under any other state or federal statute or common law principle of similar 2 effect, to the fullest extent that it may lawfully waive such rights or benefits pertaining to the 3 released matters. In furtherance of such intention, the release hereby given shall be and remain in 4 effect as a full and complete release notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such 5 additional or different claims or facts arising out of the released matters.

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#### **SEVERABILITY** 6.

If, subsequent to court approval of this Agreement, any of the provisions of this Agreement are determined by a court to be unenforceable, so long as all parties agree, the validity of the enforceable provisions remaining shall not be adversely affected, unless the Court finds that any unenforceable provision is not severable from the remainder of the Agreement.

#### 7. **COURT APPROVAL**

This Agreement is effective upon execution but must also be approved by the Court. Defendant agrees to accept service of notice of entry of any order on Plaintiff's motion to approve the settlement and/or enter judgment by electronic mail delivery to settling Defendant's counsel of record or other electronic mail recipient expressly designated for purposes of this section.

If this Agreement is not approved by the Court in its entirety, the Parties shall meet and confer to determine whether to modify the terms of the Agreement and to resubmit it for approval. In meeting and conferring, the Parties agree to undertake any actions reasonably necessary to amend and/or modify this Agreement in order to further the mutual intention of the Parties in entering into this Agreement.

The Agreement shall become null and void if, for any reason, it is not approved and entered by the Court, as it is executed, within one year after it has been fully executed by all Parties. If this Agreement is not entered by the Court, and the Parties have exhausted their meet and confer efforts pursuant to this Section 7, upon 15 days written notice, the law firm holding Settling Defendant's funds in trust shall refund any and all payments made into its trust account by Settling Defendant as requested.

2	The terms of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.
3	9. NOTICES
$_4$	When any Party is entitled to receive any formal notice under this Agreement, except the
5	Notice to counsel contemplated by Section 4.4, the notice shall be sent by certified mail or by
6	overnight mail with a recipient signature required to the following:
7	For Fonegear, LLC, to:
8	Matt Damman, President
9	Fonegear, LLC 2139 Austin Ave.,
10	Rochester Hills, MI 48039
11	With a copy to their counsel:
12	Thomas H. Clarke, Jr. Ropers, Majeski, Kohn & Bentley PC
13	1001 Marshall Street, Suite 500
14	Redwood City CA 94063-2052 E-Mail: <u>Thomas.Clarke@rmkb.com</u>
15	Fax: 650-780-1701
16	For Davia to:
17	Proposition 65 Coordinator Sheffer Law Firm
18	81 Throckmorton Ave., Suite 202 Mill Valley, CA 94941
19	E-Mail: sheffesq@aol.com
20	A courtesy copy may be sent by E-Mail and/or by facsimile to counsel for the parties. However,
21	the provision of a courtesy notice shall not diminish the requirement that notice be given to the
22	Party as noted.
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24	10. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 25249.7(F)
25	Davia agrees to comply with the reporting form requirements referenced, in California
26	Health & Safety Code §25249.7(f) and to file a motion for approval of this Agreement.
27	11. MODIFICATION
28	This Agreement may only be modified only by a signed, written agreement of Davia and

**GOVERNING LAW** 

Fonegear.

#### 12. ADDITIONAL POST-EXECUTION ACTIVITIES

The parties acknowledge that, pursuant to Health & Safety Code §25249.7, a noticed motion is required to obtain judicial approval of this Agreement. In furtherance of obtaining such approval, Davia and Fonegear, and their respective counsel, agree to mutually employ reasonable efforts to support the entry of this Agreement as a settlement agreement and obtain approval of the Agreement - sufficient to render an order approving this agreement - by the Court in a timely manner. Any effort by Fonegear to impede judicial approval of this Agreement shall subject such impeding party to liability for attorney fees and costs incurred by plaintiff or her counsel in their efforts to meet or oppose Fonegear's impeding conduct.

#### 13. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Settlement contains the sole and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the entire subject matter hereof, and any and all prior discussions, negotiations, commitments, and understandings related hereto. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those contained herein have been made by any Party hereto. No other agreements not specifically referred to herein, oral or otherwise, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the Parties. No supplementation, modification, waiver, or termination of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by the Party to be bound. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any of the other provisions whether or not similar, nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver

#### 14. ATTORNEY'S FEES

14.1 Should Davia prevail on any motion, application for order to show cause or other proceeding to enforce a violation of this Agreement, Davia shall be entitled to her reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred as a result of such motion, order or application, consistent with C.C.P. §1021.5. Should a Settling Defendant prevail on any motion, application for order to show cause or other proceeding to enforce a violation of this Consent Judgment, a Settling Defendant shall be entitled to its reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred as a result of such motion, order or application.

- 14.2 Except as specifically provided in the above paragraph and in Section 4.3, each Party shall bear its own costs and attorney's fees in connection with this action.
- 14.3 Nothing in this Section 14 shall preclude a Party from seeking an award of sanctions pursuant to law.

#### 15. Neutral Construction

All Parties and their counsel have participated in the preparation of this Agreement and this Agreement is the result of the joint efforts of the Parties. This Agreement was subject to revision and modification by the Parties and has been accepted and approved as to its final form by all Parties and their counsel. Accordingly, any uncertainty or ambiguity existing in this Agreement shall not be interpreted against any Party as a result of the manner of the preparation of this Agreement. Each Party to this Agreement agrees that any statute or rule of construction providing that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting Party should not be employed in the interpretation of this Agreement and, in this regard, the Parties hereby waive California Civil Code Section 1654.

# 16. COUNTERPARTS, FACSIMILE SIGNATURES

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts and by facsimile or portable document format (PDF), each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same document.

### 17. AUTHORIZATION

The undersigned parties are authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of their respective Parties and have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

#### 18. OTHER TERMS

- 18.1 This Stipulated Settlement Agreement shall apply to and be binding upon Davia, Fonegear, and the successors or assigns of any of them.
- 18.2 Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall release, or in any way affect any rights Fonegear might have against any other party, including but not limited to Defendant Releasees and Distributor Releasees.

IT IS SO AGREED	
Dated: January 1, 2017	Dated: January <u>31</u> , 2017
Plaintiff Susan Davia	Matt Damman, President Fonegear, LLC
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