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REPORT OF SETTLEMENT

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PARTIES TO THE ACTION	PLAINTIFF(S)				
	DEFENDANT(S) INVOLVED IN SETTLEMENT				
CASE INFO	COURT DOCKET NUMBER			COURT NAME	
	SHORT CASE NAME				
REPORT INFO	INJUNCTIVE RELIEF				
	PAYMENT: CIVIL PENALTY		PAYMENT: ATTORNEYS FEES		PAYMENT: OTHER
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8 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

9 COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

10 SHEFA LMV, INC.,

11 Plaintiff,

12 vs.

13 SPRAYCO CONSUMER PRODUCTS and
14 DOES 1 through 100, Inclusive,

15 Defendant.

) Case No. RG18892812
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) **[PROPOSED] CONSENT JUDGMENT**
) **AS TO SPRAYCO CONSUMER**
) **PRODUCTS**

) Action Filed: February 13, 2018
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1 **1. INTRODUCTION**

2 **1.1 Parties**

3 This consent judgment (“**Consent Judgment**”) is entered into by and between plaintiff
4 Shefa LMV, Inc. (“**Shefa**” or “**Plaintiff**”) and Sprayco Consumer Products (“**Defendant**,” with
5 Shefa and **Defendant** individually referred to as a “**Party**” and collectively as the “**Parties.**”)

6 **1.2 Plaintiff**

7 Shefa is a public benefit non-profit corporation that seeks to promote awareness of
8 exposures to toxic chemicals and to improve human health by reducing or eliminating hazardous
9 substances contained in consumer products.

10 **1.3 Settling Defendant**

11 Defendant employs ten or more persons and is a person in the course of doing business for
12 purposes of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, Health and Safety Code
13 §25249.6 *et seq.* (“**Proposition 65**”).

14 **1.4 Products Covered**

15 The products covered by this Consent Judgment are plastic passport case products
16 manufactured by or for Defendant, imported by or for Defendant, or distributed or sold by or for
17 Defendant, including, but not limited to, Miamica® Upgrade Me Passport Case; Model: M40021;
18 UPC: 046412090260, and plastic luggage tag products manufactured by or for Defendant, imported
19 by or for Defendant, or distributed or sold by or for Defendant, including, but not limited to, Nice!®
20 On The Move Jelly Luggage Tag; (W10453-115-F); UPC: 049022891647 (collectively, the
21 “**Covered Products**”).

22 **1.5 General Allegations**

23 Shefa alleges that Defendant manufacture, import, sell, or distribute, for sale in the state of
24 California plastic passport case products and plastic luggage tag products that contain DEHP
25 without first providing a clear and reasonable warning required by Proposition 65. DEHP (CAS #
26 68515-48-0) is a chemical listed under Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the state to cause
27 cancer or reproductive toxicity.
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1 **1.6 Notice of Violation**

2 On May 8, 2017 and May 26, 2017, Shefa served Defendant and the requisite public
3 enforcement agencies with a 60-Day Notice of Violation (the “**Notices**”) alleging that Defendant
4 violated Proposition 65 when it failed to warn its customers and consumers in California that the
5 Covered Products expose users to DEHP. To the best of the Parties’ knowledge, no public enforcer
6 has commenced and is diligently prosecuting the allegations set forth in the Notices.

7 **1.7 Complaint**

8 On February 13, 2018 Shefa filed the instant complaint in the Superior Court in and for the
9 County of Alameda against Defendant and DOES 1-100, alleging violations of California Health &
10 Safety Code § 25249.6, based on exposures to DEHP contained in the Covered Products sold in the
11 State of California (the “**Complaint**”).

12 **1.8 No Admission**

13 Defendant deny the material, factual, and legal allegations contained in the Notices and
14 Complaint and maintains that all the products it has manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale in
15 California, including the Covered Products, have been, and are, in compliance with all laws.
16 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission by Defendant of any fact,
17 finding, conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation of law; nor shall compliance with this Consent
18 Judgment constitute or be construed as an admission by Defendant of any fact, finding, conclusion
19 of law, issue of law, or violation of law, the same being specifically denied by Defendant. This
20 section shall not, however, diminish or otherwise affect Defendant’ obligations, responsibilities, and
21 duties under this Consent Judgment.

22 **1.9 Consent to Jurisdiction**

23 For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties stipulate this Court has jurisdiction
24 over Defendant as to the allegations in the Complaint, that venue is proper in the County of
25 Alameda, the Defendant agree that they employ or have employed ten (10) or more persons during
26 time periods relevant to the Complaint and that this Court has jurisdiction over the Parties to enter
27 and enforce the provisions of this Consent Judgment pursuant to Proposition 65.

1 **1.10 Effective Date**

2 For purposes of this Consent Judgment, the term “**Effective Date**” shall mean the date the
3 Consent Judgment is approved and entered by the Court.


4 **2. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF: COMPLIANT PRODUCTS AND WARNINGS**

5 **2.1 Reformulation Standards**

6 As of the Effective Date, Defendant shall not manufacture for sale in California any Covered
7 Products unless such Covered Products contain DEHP in concentrations less than or equal to 1000
8 parts per million (“ppm”) when analyzed pursuant to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency testing
9 methodologies 3580A and 8270C or any other scientifically reliable methodology for determining
10 the concentration of DEHP in the Covered Products.

11 **2.2 Warning Standards**

12 As of the Effective Date, Defendant agree, promise, and represent that, to the extent they
13 ship or sell Covered Products that do not meet the reformulation standards set forth above in
14 Section 2.1, Defendant will provide warnings on such Covered Products that comply with
15 Proposition 65. The warnings shall be provided in a conspicuous and prominent manner such that
16 they will be likely to be read or seen by the consumer prior to or at the time of the sale or purchase.
17 The Parties agree that the warning set forth below shall constitute compliance with Proposition 65
18 with respect to any Covered Products that are not reformulated:

19 “  **WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals, including Di-[2-
20 Ethylhexyl] Phthalate (DEHP), which are known to the State of California to cause birth
21 defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to
22 www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.”

23 **2.3 Covered Products in the Stream of Commerce.**

24 Any Covered Products that have been distributed, shipped, or sold by Defendant prior to the
25 Effective Date, shall not be subject to the requirements of Section 2.1.

1 **3. MONETARY SETTLEMENT TERMS**

2 **3.1 Payment from Defendant.** Within ten (10) business days of the Effective Date,
3 Defendant shall make the Total Settlement Payment of **\$23,000.00**.

4 **3.2 Allocation of Payments.** The Total Settlement Payment shall be paid in three (3)
5 separate checks made payable and allocated as follows:

6 **3.2.1 Civil Penalty.** Defendant shall pay \$6,000.00 as a civil penalty
7 pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(b). The civil penalty shall be apportioned in
8 accordance with Health & Safety Code § 25249.12 (25% to Shefa and 75% to the State of
9 California’s Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (“OEHHA”). Accordingly, the
10 OEHHA portion of the civil penalty payment in the amount of \$4,500.00 shall be made payable to
11 OEHHA and associated with taxpayer identification number 68-0284486. This payment shall be
12 delivered as follows:

13 For United States Postal Service Delivery:

14 Attn: Mike Gyurics
15 Fiscal Operations Branch Chief
16 Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
17 P.O. Box 4010, MS #19B
18 Sacramento, CA 95812-4010

19 For Non-United States Postal Service Delivery:

20 Attn: Mike Gyurics
21 Fiscal Operations Branch Chief
22 Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
23 1001 I Street, MS #19B
24 Sacramento, CA 95814

25 The Shefa portion of the civil penalty payment in the amount of \$1,500.00 shall be made
26 payable to Shefa LMV, Inc. and associated with taxpayer identification number 81-0907002.
27 This payment shall be delivered to the Law Office of Daniel N. Greenbaum, 7120 Hayvenhurst
28 Ave, Suite 320, Van Nuys, CA 91406.

3.2.2 Attorney’s Fees and Costs. A reimbursement of Shefa's attorney’s
fees and costs in the amount of \$17,000.00 payable to the “Law Office of Daniel N. Greenbaum,”

1 and associated with taxpayer identification number 46-4580172. This payment shall be delivered to
2 the Law Office of Daniel N. Greenbaum, 7120 Hayvenhurst Ave, Suite 320, Van Nuys, CA 91406.

3 **4. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASED**

4 **4.1 Public Release**

5 This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between Shefa and Defendant
6 of any violation of Proposition 65 that was or could have been asserted by Shefa, acting on behalf of
7 itself and in a representative capacity in the public interest under Health & Safety Code § 25249.7,
8 against Defendant, its parents, subsidiaries, affiliated entities, manufacturers, suppliers, directors,
9 officers, employees, attorneys, and the predecessors, successors, or assigns of each of them, and
10 each entity to whom Defendant directly or indirectly exports, distributes or sells the Covered
11 Products, including, without limitation, distributors, wholesalers, customers, retailers, franchisees,
12 cooperative members, and licensees, including but not limited to Walgreen Company, Marshalls
13 and The TJX Companies, Inc., (“**Releasees**”), based on failure to warn of alleged exposures to
14 DEHP from Covered Products manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale in California by Defendant
15 prior to the Effective Date. The release in this Section 4.1 applies to all Covered Products that
16 Defendant manufactured, distributed, or sold prior to the Effective Date, regardless of the date any
17 other Releasee distributes or sells the Covered Products.

18 Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall constitute compliance with
19 Proposition 65 by Defendant and the Releasees with respect to DEHP in Covered Products
20 manufactured, sold, or distributed on and after the Effective Date.

21 **4.2 Shefa’s Individual Release of Claims**

22 In further consideration of the promises and agreements herein contained, Shefa, on its own
23 behalf and on behalf of its past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, successors, and/or
24 assignees, hereby waives all rights to institute or participate in, directly or indirectly, any form of
25 legal action, and releases all claims that it may have against Defendant and Releasees, including,
26 without limitation, all actions and causes of action, suits, liabilities, demands, obligations, damages,
27 costs, fines, penalties, losses, or expenses, including, without limitation, investigation fees, expert
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1 fees, and attorneys' fees arising under Proposition 65 for unwarned exposures to DEHP from
2 Covered Products manufactured, sold, or distributed for sale by Defendant prior to the Effective
3 Date. The releases in Section 4.2 are provided in Shefa's individual capacity and are not releases on
4 behalf of the public.

5 **4.3 Defendant's Release of Shefa**

6 Defendant, on its own behalf and on behalf of its past and current agents, representatives,
7 attorneys, successors, and assignees, hereby waives any and all claims that it may have against
8 Shefa and its attorneys and other representatives, for any and all actions taken or statements made
9 by Shefa and its attorneys and other representatives in the course of investigating the claims set
10 forth in the Complaint or otherwise seeking to enforce Proposition 65 against it in this matter.

11 **4.4 Release of Unknown Claims**

12 It is possible that other claims not known to the Parties arising out of the facts contained in
13 the Notice, or alleged in the Complaint, relating to the Covered Products, will hereafter be
14 discovered or developed. Shefa, on behalf of itself only, acknowledges that this Consent Judgment
15 is expressly intended to cover and include all such claims through and including the Effective Date,
16 including all rights of action therefor. Shefa acknowledges that the claims released in Sections 4.1
17 and 4.2 may include unknown claims, and nevertheless Shefa intends to release such claims, and in
18 doing so waives California Civil Code § 1542, which reads as follows:

19 **A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE**
20 **CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR**
21 **AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM**
22 **OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT**
23 **WITH THE DEBTOR.**

24 Shefa understands and acknowledges that the significance and consequence of this waiver of
25 California Civil Code § 1542 is that, even if Shefa suffers future damages arising out of or resulting
26 from, or related directly or indirectly to, in whole or in part, the Covered Products, including but not
27 limited to any exposure to, or failure to warn with respect to exposure to, the Covered Products,
28 Shefa will not be able to make any claim for those damages against Defendant or any of the

1 Releasees.

2 **5. COURT APPROVAL**

3 This Consent Judgment is not effective until it is approved and entered by the Court.

4 **6. GOVERNING LAW**

5 The terms of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by the laws of the State of California
6 and apply within the State of California. In the event that Proposition 65 is repealed or is otherwise
7 rendered inapplicable by reason of law generally, or as to the Covered Products, then Defendant
8 may provide written notice to Shefa of any asserted change in the law, and with the exception of
9 Sections 3.1 and 3.2 above, have no further obligations pursuant to this Consent Judgment, with
10 respect to, and to the extent that, the Covered Products are so affected. None of the terms of this
11 Consent Judgment shall have any application to Covered Products sold outside of the State of
12 California.

13 **7. NOTICE**

14 Unless specified herein, all correspondence and notices required to be provided pursuant to
15 this Consent Judgment shall be in writing and sent by: (i) personal delivery; (ii) first-class,
16 registered or certified mail, return receipt requested; or (iii) a recognized overnight courier on any
17 Party by the other at the following addresses:

18 To Defendant:

19 Jean-Paul Cart, Esq.
20 SCHIFF HARDIN LLP
21 One Market
22 Spear Street Tower, Suite 3100
23 San Francisco, CA 94105

To Shefa:

Daniel N. Greenbau, Esq.
LAW OFFICE OF DANIEL GREENBAUM
7120 Hayvenhurst Ave., Suite 320
Van Nuys CA 91406

23 Any Party may, from time to time, specify in writing to the other Party a change of address to which
24 all notices and other communications shall be sent.

25 **8. COUNTERPARTS; FACSIMILE AND PDF SIGNATURES**

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

2 **9. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 25249.7(f)**

3 Plaintiff agrees to comply with the reporting form requirements referenced in California
4 Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(f).

5 **10. POST EXECUTION ACTIVITIES**

6 **10.1** The Parties acknowledge that, pursuant to California Health & Safety Code
7 § 25249.7(f), Shefa is obligated to file a noticed motion to obtain judicial approval of this Consent
8 Judgment.

9 **10.2** Upon the Parties' execution of this Consent Judgment, Shefa promptly shall
10 proceed to submit this Consent Judgment to the Court with a motion seeking Court approval.

11 **11. MODIFICATION**

12 **11.1** In the event that any future settlement agreement or court approved consent
13 judgment entered into by Shefa involving another party, any future court-approved consent
14 judgment entered into by any enforcer of Proposition 65 involving another party, or the State of
15 California adopts or sets out a reformulation or compliance standard that is less stringent than that
16 in Section 2.1 above for DEHP, then upon written notice to Shefa, Defendant is entitled to a
17 corresponding modification to the reformulation standard set forth in section 2.1 of this Consent
18 Judgment, regarding the Covered Products.

19 **11.2** This Consent Judgment may only be modified by a written instrument executed by
20 the Party or Parties to be bound thereby, and after approval by the Court upon a noticed motion.
21 Any motion to modify shall be served on all Parties and the Office of the Attorney General.

22 **12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

23 If Shefa determines at a future date that a violation of this Consent Judgment has occurred,
24 Shefa shall provide notice to Defendant. Prior to bringing any action to enforce any requirement of
25 this Consent Judgment, the party alleging a violation of this Consent Judgment shall provide the
26 other party with written notice of the grounds for such allegation together with all supporting
27 information as well as a complete demand for the relief sought. The Parties shall then meet and
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1 confer regarding the basis for the allegation to resolve the matter informally, including providing
2 the party alleged to be in violation with a reasonable opportunity of at least thirty (30) days to cure
3 any alleged violation. Should such attempt at informal resolution fail, the party alleging a violation
4 may file its lawsuit seeking the proposed relief.

5 **13. AUTHORIZATION**

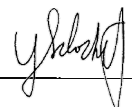
6 The undersigned are authorized to execute this Consent Judgment on behalf of their
7 respective Parties and have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this
8 Consent Judgment.

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10 AGREED TO:

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12 Date: 3/5/2018

Date: 2/26/2018

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15 By: 
16 SHEFA LMV, INC.

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19 By: 
20 SPRAYCO CONSUMER PRODUCTS

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1 **[PROPOSED] JUDGMENT**

2 Please note that on _____, 2018 at _____, Plaintiff Shefa LMV Inc.'s ("Plaintiff")
3 Motion for Court Approval of Settlement Agreement and Entry of Consent Judgment as to Defendant
4 Sprayco Consumer Products came for hearing before this Court in Department ____, the Honorable
5 _____ presiding. Counsel for Plaintiff did [not] appear; counsel for Defendant did
6 [not] appear.

7 After full consideration of the points and authorities and related pleadings submitted, the Court
8 GRANTED Plaintiff's Motion pursuant to and in accordance with Health & Safety Code
9 §25249.7(f)(4). The Court reviewed the above Settlement Agreement and makes the following
10 findings pursuant to Health & Safety Code § 25249.7(f)(4):

- 11 a. The injunctive relief required by the Settlement Agreement complies with Health &
12 Safety Code § 25249.7;
- 13 b. The reimbursement of fees and costs to be paid pursuant to the Settlement
14 Agreement is reasonable under California law; and
- 15 c. The civil penalty amount to be paid pursuant to Settlement Agreement is reasonable.

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17 The Settlement Agreement is hereby approved, and the clerk is directed to ENTER
18 JUDGMENT in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement above.

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20 _____
21 Date Judge of the Superior Court