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9	SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
10	COUNTY OF	ALAMEDA	
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12	THE CHEMICAL TOXIN WORKING	Case No.: RG20079464	
13	GROUP, INC.,	(Reassigned for all purposes to:	
14	Plaintiff,	Judge Noel Wise, Dept. 21)	
15	V.	[PROPOSED] AMENDED	
16	WHOLE FOODS MARKET CALIFORNIA, INC. ; AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC ;	STIPULATED CONSENT JUDGMENT	
17	and DOES 1 to 50, inclusive,	California Health & Safety Code,	
18	Defendants.	sections 25249.5 et seq.]	
19		Complaint Filed: November 06, 2020	
20		Court Trial Date: None	
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22	1. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>		
23		ulated Concent Judgment ("Concent Judgment")	
23	1.1 <u>The Parties</u> . This Amended Stipulated Consent Judgment ("Consent Judgment")		
	is entered into by and between Plaintiff THE CHEMICAL TOXIN WORKING GROUP, INC.		
25	("CTWG" or "Plaintiff"), on the one hand, and Defendants WHOLE FOODS MARKET		
26 27	CALIFORNIA, INC. ("Whole Foods") and AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC ("Amazon")		
27	(Amazon and Whole Foods together, the "Defend	dants"), on the other hand (Amazon and Whole	
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1	Foods together, the "Defendants"). CTWG, Whole Foods, and Amazon are collectively referred		
2	as the "Parties" and each individually referred to as a "Party."		
3	1.1.1 CTWG is a California non-profit corporation, doing business as Healthy		
4	Living Foundation Inc., dedicated to, among other causes, providing information to consumer		
5	regarding the hazards of toxins in products, protecting public health and enforcing state and feder		
6	environmental laws and regulations through citizen suits.		
7	1.1.2 Defendants each employ ten or more persons. For the purposes of this		
8	Consent Judgment and litigation, Plaintiff alleges that Defendants are each a person in the course		
9	of doing business for purposes of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986		
10	California Health & Safety Code § 25249.5, et seq. and its implementing regulations (collectively		
11	"Proposition 65").		
12	1.2 <u>Notice of Violation</u> .		
13	1.2.1 On or about June 25, 2020, CTWG served Defendants, and various public		
14	enforcement agencies, with a document entitled "Sixty-Day Notice of Intent to Sue for Violations		
15	of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (California Health & Safety Cod		
16	Section 25249.5 et seq.)" (the "Notice"), which provided the recipients with notice of allege		
17	violations of Proposition 65 for allegedly failing to warn individuals in California of exposures t		
18	Lead contained in 365 Everyday Value Ginger 500 mg Dietary Supplement (the "Covere		
19	Product").		
20	1.2.2 To the best of the Parties' knowledge, no public enforcer has commenced or		
21	is diligently prosecuting the allegations set forth in the Notice.		
22	1.3 <u>The Action</u> . On November 6, 2020, CTWG filed a Complaint against Defendants		
23	in Alameda County Superior Court, pending as Case No. RG20079464, seeking civil penalties and		
24	injunctive relief in connection with the allegations set forth in the Notice (the "Complaint" and/o		
25	the "Action," respectively).		
26	1.4 <u>Allegations</u> . CTWG brought the Action pursuant to Proposition 65, seeking		
27	injunctive relief, penalties, and reimbursement of its reasonable attorney's fees and costs. CTWO		
28	contends in the Complaint that Defendants knowingly and intentionally exposed California		

1 consumers to Lead, a substance known to cause reproductive harm, through the sale of the Covered 2 Product, without providing clear and reasonable warnings required by Proposition 65.

- 3 1.6 **Consent to Jurisdiction**. For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, the Parties 4 stipulate: (i) that this Court has jurisdiction over each of the Defendants as to the allegations 5 contained in the Complaint; (ii) that venue is proper in the County of Alameda for the Action; and 6 (iii) that this Court has jurisdiction over all the Parties to approve, enter, and oversee the 7 enforcement of this Consent Judgment pursuant to law, including Proposition 65.
- 8 1.7 No Effect on Future Proceedings. Except as expressly set forth herein, nothing in 9 this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive, or impair any right, remedy, argument or defense the 10 Parties may have in any other or future legal proceedings which do not arise out of the Action 11 and/or the Covered Product.

12 1.8 This Consent Judgment resolves claims that are denied and No Admission. 13 disputed. Defendants deny the material, factual, and legal allegations asserted in the Notice, the 14 Complaint, and the Action, and maintain that all of the products it has manufactured, sold, or 15 distributed for sale in California, including the Covered Product, have been, and are, in compliance 16 with all laws. The Parties enter into this Consent Judgment pursuant to a full and final settlement 17 of any and all claims between the Parties for the purpose of avoiding prolonged litigation. Nothing 18 in this Consent Judgment shall be construed as an admission by the Parties of any allegation made 19 in the Notice, the Complaint, or the Action, or of any fact, conclusion of law, issue of law or 20 violation of law of any kind, including without limitation, any admission concerning the Covered 21 Product and/or any alleged or actual violation of Proposition 65 or any other statutory, regulatory, 22 common law, or equitable doctrine, including but not limited to the meaning of the terms 23 "knowingly and intentionally expose" or "clear and reasonable warning" as used in HSC section 24 25249.6. Nothing in this Consent Judgment, nor compliance with its terms, shall constitute or be 25 construed as an admission by the Parties of any fact, conclusion of law, issue of law, or violation 26 of law, or of fault, wrongdoing, or liability by Defendants and their respective officers, directors, 27 employees, or parent, subsidiary, or affiliated corporations, or be offered or admitted as evidence 28 in any administrative or judicial proceeding or litigation in any court, agency, or forum.

Furthermore, nothing in this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive, or impair any right, remedy,
 argument, or defense the Parties may have in any other or future legal proceeding, except as
 expressly provided in this Consent Judgment.

4 2. <u>CERTAIN DEFINITIONS</u>

5 2.1 <u>Covered Product</u>. As noted above, the term "Covered Product" means the product
6 called: 365 \_\_Everyday \_\_Value \_\_Ginger \_\_500 mg \_\_Dietary Supplement. The Covered
7 Product was and/or is manufactured, distributed and/or offered for sale in California.

8 2.2 <u>Effective Date</u>. The term "Effective Date" means the date that this Consent
9 Judgment is approved by the Court.

10 2.3 <u>Compliance Date.</u> The term "Compliance Date" means ninety (90) calendar days
 11 after the Effective Date.

12 2.4 <u>Execution Date.</u> The term "Execution Date" shall mean the date of the last
 13 signature to this Consent Judgment.

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#### 3. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF: REFORMULATION AND WARNINGS

3.1 <u>Threshold for Warnings</u>. On or after the Compliance Date, Defendants shall not
sell, offer for sale, distribute, or manufacture for sale, in the State of California, the Covered Product
if it exceeds exposure of 0.50 micrograms of Lead per the maximum daily dose recommended on
the label of the Covered Product (referred to as a "Daily Exposure Level") utilizing the formula
and methodology explained in <u>Section 3.7</u> below, unless the Covered Product meets the warning
requirements under <u>Section 3.3</u> below.

3.2 <u>Reformulated Covered Product</u>. A "Reformulated Covered Product" is a Covered
Product for which the exposure level does not exceed the Daily Exposure Level as determined by
the formula, testing and quality control methodology described in this <u>Section 3.2</u> and/or Section
<u>3.7</u>. For purposes of determining if a warning is required pursuant to <u>Section 3.2</u> and/or Section
<u>3.7</u>, the highest Lead (Pb) concentration of three (3) samples of the Covered Product randomly
selected from different lot numbers by the applicable Defendant (or from as many lots as are
available for testing if there are fewer than three (3)) shall be used. Plaintiff reserves the right to

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1	test reformulated product and, if the results are violative of Sections 3.2 or 3.7, to assert any new		
2	claims that may arise, subject to the provisions of Section 5.		
3	3.3 <u>Clear and Reasonable Warning</u> . On or after the Compliance Date, and except for		
4	Reformulated Covered Product, for any Covered Product that requires a Proposition 65 warning		
5	under this Consent Judgment, Defendants shall, and/or cause their manufacturers to, utilize one of		
6	the following warning statements, as applicable for the Covered Product:		
7	3.3.1 Option 1 (must be set off from other surrounding information and enclosed		
8	in a box pursuant to 27 Cal. Code Regs. ("CCR") § 25607.1):		
9	A WARNING: Consuming this product can expose you to chemicals including lead, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information, go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/food.		
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11	3.3.2 Option 2:		
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13	<b>WARNING:</b> Cancer and Reproductive Harm – www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.		
14	3.3.3 Option 3. In lieu of Option 1 or Option 2 set forth in Sections 3.3.1 and 3.3.2		
15	above, the Covered Product may be labeled with any warning authorized by regulation applicable		
16	to the Covered Product and chemical at issue in effect on or after the Effective Date, including,		
17	without limitation 27 CCR § 25607.2.		
18	3.3.4 <u>Pictograms Format</u> . The pictograms depicted in <u>Sections 3.3.1</u> and <u>3.3.2</u>		
19	shall be in yellow with a black exclamation mark; provided however, the pictogram may be instead		
20	in white in order to accomplish uniform packaging if the Covered Product label does not contain		
21	the color yellow.		
22	3.3.5 <u>Text Format</u> . Respecting the warnings defined in <u>Sections 3.3.1</u> and <u>3.3.2</u> ,		
23	the warning must be in a type size no smaller than the largest type size used for other product		
24	specific required consumer labeling information on the packaging. In no case shall the warning		
25	appear in a type size smaller than 6-point type. If the warning is printed on the label, the warning		
26	shall be set off from other surrounding information in the label and enclosed in a box.		
27	3.4 <u>Internet Sales</u> . In addition to Whole Foods affixing, or causing its manufacturer to		
28	affix, the warning or alternative warning as provided for above to the Covered Product's packaging		
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or labeling, the warning or alternative warning shall be posted on websites where Defendants offer the Covered Product for sale to consumers in California. The requirements of this Section shall be satisfied if the warning or alternative warning, or a clearly marked hyperlink using the word "WARNING," appears on the product description page, or by otherwise "prominently displaying" the warning to the purchaser prior to completing the purchase. For purposes of this subsection, a warning is not "prominently displayed" if the purchaser must search for it in the general content of the website.

8 3.5 Language Other than English. Where the label or packaging of the Covered Product
 9 used to provide a warning includes consumer information about the Covered Product in a language
 10 other than English, the warning must also be provided in that language in addition to English.

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#### 3.6 Compliance.

3.6.1 Defendants shall be deemed to be in compliance with the warning
requirements of this Consent Judgment by either adhering to Section 3.3, Section 3.4, and Section
<u>3.5</u>, as applicable, of this Consent Judgment or by complying with any of the safe harbor warning
requirements applicable to the Covered Product and chemical at issue as set forth in the regulations
of the State of California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and
in effect after the Effective Date.

3.6.2 For the avoidance of doubt, Amazon shall be deemed to be in compliance
 with the warning requirements of this Consent Judgment by adhering to Section 3.4 and has no
 obligation to place warnings on the physical label or packaging of the Covered Product.

3.6.3 Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment shall constitute
 compliance with Proposition 65 by Defendants and the Releasees (hereinafter defined) with respect
 to the alleged or actual failure to warn about exposures to lead from the Covered Product, as alleged
 (or that could have been alleged) in the Notice or Complaint.

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### 3.7 Formula, Testing and Quality Control Methodology.

3.7.1 For purposes of this Consent Judgment, the "Daily Exposure Level" for Lead
(Pb) shall be measured in micrograms, and shall be calculated using the following formula:
micrograms of Lead (Pb) per gram of Covered Product, multiplied by grams of Covered Product

per serving of the product (using the largest serving size appearing on the product label), multiplied
 by servings of the Covered Product per day (using the largest number of recommended daily
 servings on the product label), which equals micrograms of Lead (Pb) exposure per day.

3.7.2 All testing performed pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be performed
using a laboratory method that complies with the performance and quality control factors
appropriate for the method used, including limit of detection, limit of quantification, accuracy, and
precision and meets the following criteria: Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICPMS) achieving a limit of quantification of less than or equal to 0.010 mg/kg or any other testing
method subsequently agreed upon in writing by the Parties.

3.7.3 All testing performed pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be performed
 by an independent third-party laboratory certified by the California Environmental Laboratory
 Accreditation Program for the analysis of heavy metals or a laboratory that is approved by,
 accredited by, or registered with the United States Food & Drug Administration.

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#### 4. MONETARY TERMS

4.1 <u>Total Amount of Settlement</u>. In full satisfaction of all potential civil penalties and
 CTWG's attorney's fees, expert fees, and all other costs and expenses incurred, including, without
 limitation, pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 1021.5, with respect to the Action and
 the Covered Product, upon receipt of a W9 issued by Khansari Law Corporation, Defendants shall
 pay the total settlement amount of One Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars
 (§131,750) (the "Settlement Amount"), with each of Amazon and Whole Foods individually liable
 to pay Sixty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$65,875), as follows:

4.1.1 <u>Civil Penalty</u>. Of the Settlement Amount, Defendants shall pay Twenty
Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$20,500) as a civil penalty pursuant to HSC § 25249.7(b), to be
apportioned in accordance with HSC § 25192, with 75% of these funds (\$15,375) payable to
OEHHA and the remaining 25% of the funds (\$5,125) payable to "Khansari Law Corporation Trust Account" in trust for CTWG as provided by HSC § 25249.12(d), as follows: each of Amazon
and Whole Foods shall pay Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents
(\$7,687.50) payable to OEHHA, and each of them shall pay Two Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-

Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$2,562.50) payable to "Khansari Law Corporation - Trust Account"
 in trust for CTWG.

4.1.2 <u>Attorneys' Fees and Costs</u>. Of the Settlement Amount, Defendants shall
pay One Hundred Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$111,250) as reimbursement of
CTWG's attorney's fees and costs incurred in the Action and with respect to the Notice payable to
"Khansari Law Corporation – Trust Account" as follows: each of Amazon and Whole Foods shall
pay Fifty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$55,625) payable to "Khansari Law
Corporation – Trust Account."

9 4.2 <u>Delivery of Settlement Payments</u>. The Settlement Amount payments called for in
10 <u>Section 4.1</u> above shall be made within thirty (30) calendar days of the Effective Date and
11 Defendants' receipt of a current W-9 from Plaintiff or its counsel, as applicable (via email from
12 CTWG's counsel), whichever date is later, as follows:

4.2.1 Defendants' respective payments of the civil penalty to OEHHA shall be
delivered by United States Mail, with tracking information, or other Overnight express mail service,
with tracking information, directly to OEHHA (with an electronic copy and tracking number
emailed to <u>andre@khansarilaw.com</u>) at the following address or such other address as updated by
OEHHA at the time of payment:

Mike Gyurics Fiscal Operations Branch Chief Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment P.O. Box 4010 Sacramento, CA 95812-4010

4.2.2 Defendants' respective payments of the civil penalty to CTWG, and for
CTWG's attorney's fees and costs, shall be delivered via electronic wire (wire instructions to be
provided by CTWG upon request by either of the Defendants), or check made payable to: "Khansari
Law Corp. - Client Trust Account," and sent via overnight mail with tracking information to the
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following address, or any other address provided by CTWG's counsel (via email) if there is an

2 address change:

Andre A. Khansari, Esq. KHANSARI LAW CORPORATION 16133 Ventura Blvd., Suite 1200 Encino, CA 91436

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# 5. <u>RELEASE OF CLAIMS; BINDING EFFECT</u>

7 5.1 Plaintiff's Private Release. CTWG, acting on its own behalf and on behalf of each 8 of its past, current, and future agents, owners, principals, shareholders, officers, directors, 9 employees, parents, subsidiaries, successors, assigns, and legal representatives (collectively 10 referred to as "CTWG Releasors") fully releases and waives any right to participate (directly or 11 indirectly) in any litigation against the Defendants (namely Whole Foods and/or Amazon), and (a) 12 each of their respective equity owners, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, sister and related companies, 13 (b) each of their upstream suppliers and all downstream entities in the stream of commerce 14 including but not limited to distributors, wholesalers, customers, retailers, franchisees, cooperative 15 members, and licensees, and (c) the employees, shareholders, officers, directors, members, 16 managers, equity owners, insurers, attorneys, predecessors, successors, and assigns of any of the 17 entities identified in subsections (a) and (b) (Defendants and the entities identified in subsections 18 (a), (b) and (c) above collectively referred to as "Released Parties"), from all claims, actions, suits, 19 demands, liabilities, damages, penalties, fees (including but not limited to attorneys' fees, 20 investigator fees, and expert fees), costs, and expenses (collectively referred to as "Claims") that 21 have been brought, or which could have been brought, in the Action, whether known or unknown, 22 suspected or unsuspected, up to and including the Effective Date.

- 5.2 <u>Plaintiff's Public Release</u>. Plaintiff on behalf of itself, and in its representative
  capacity in the public interest under Health & Safety Code Section 25249.7, hereby releases and
  discharges the Released Parties from any and all Claims, actions, causes of action, suits, demands,
  liabilities, damages, penalties, fees (including but not limited to attorneys' fees, investigator fees,
  and expert fees), costs and expenses asserted, or that could have been asserted with respect to any
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1	alleged violation of Proposition 65 arising from the failure to provide Proposition 65 warnings		
2	about exposures to Lead (Pb) from the Covered Product, through and including the Effective Date.		
3	5.3 <u>Release of Unknown Claims.</u> It is possible that other claims not known to the		
4	Parties arising out of the facts contained in the Notice or alleged in the Complaint relating to the		
5	Covered Product will hereafter be discovered. Plaintiff, on behalf of itself only, on the one hand,		
6	and Defendants, on the other hand, acknowledge that this Consent Judgment is expressly intended		
7	to cover and include all such claims through and including the Effective Date, including all rights		
8	of action thereon. Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge that the claims released in Sections 5.1		
9	and 5.2 may include unknown claims, and nevertheless intend to release such claims, and in doing		
10	so waive California Civil Code § 1542 which reads as follows:		
11	A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS		
12	THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT		
13	KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT		
14	THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF		
15	KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY		
16	AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR		
17	OR RELEASED PARTY		
18	Plaintiff understands and acknowledges that the significance and consequence of this		
19	waiver of California Civil Code § 1542 is that even if Plaintiff suffers future damages arising out		
20	of, resulting from, or related to the Covered Product, Plaintiff will not be able to make any claim		
21	for those damages against any of the Released Parties except as permitted under this Consent		
22	Judgment.		
23	5.4 <u>Release of Plaintiff.</u> Defendants waive any and all claims against Plaintiff, its		
24	attorneys, and representatives, for any and all actions taken, or statements made (or those that could		
25	have been taken or made) by Plaintiff and its attorneys and other representatives, whether in the		
26	course of investigating claims or otherwise seeking enforcement of Proposition 65 arising out of or		
27	related to the Notice and/or the Action.		
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#### 1 6. **INTEGRATION**

2 This Consent Judgment contains the sole and entire agreement of the Parties and any and 3 all prior oral and/or written negotiations and understandings related hereto shall be deemed to have been merged within it. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those 4 contained herein exist or have been made by any Party with respect to the other Party or the subject 5 matter hereof. No other agreements not specifically referred to herein, oral, or otherwise, shall be 6 deemed to exist or to bind any of the Parties. 7

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#### **GOVERNING LAW**

The terms of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by the laws of the State of California 9 and apply within the State of California. In the event that Proposition 65 is repealed, preempted, or 10 is otherwise rendered inapplicable by amendment or reason of law generally, and/or as to the 11 Covered Product, and/or any of the alleged violations set forth in the Notice, the Complaint, or the 12 Action, then Defendants may seek modification of this Consent Judgment pursuant to Section 12 13 below. None of the terms of this Consent Judgment shall be interpreted to relieve Defendants from 14 their obligation to comply with any other applicable state or federal law or regulation. The Parties 15 agree that if OEHHA changes any of its applicable regulations, including its warning regulations, 16 then Defendants may either conform with the revised regulations or continue to conform with the 17 terms provided in this Consent Judgment if the new implementing regulations so allow. 18

8. NOTICES

8.1 Unless otherwise specified herein, all correspondence and notices required or that 20 may be provided to either Party to this Consent Judgment by the other shall be in writing and sent 21 to the following agents listed below by email and by either (a) first-class, registered, or certified 22 mail; (b) recognized overnight courier; or (c) personal delivery, on any Party by the other at the 23 following addresses: 24

- For CTWG:
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David Steinman The Chemical Toxin Working Group, Inc. 1801 Chart Trail Topanga, CA 90290

1	With a copy to:	
2	Andre A. Khansari, Esq. Khansari Law Corporation	
3	16133 Ventura Blvd., Suite 1200 Encino, CA 91436	
4	Email: andre@khansarilaw.com	
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6	For <u>Whole Foods</u> :	
7	John H. Hempfling II Whole Foods Market Services, Inc.	
8	828 W. 6 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200 Austin, Texas 78703	
9	john.hempfling@wholefoods.com	
10	With a copy to:	
11	Wells Blaxter Blaxter Blackman LLP	
12	601 Montgomery Street, Suite 1110 San Francisco, CA 94111	
13	wblaxter@blaxterlaw.com	
13	For Amazon:	
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16	Amazon.com, Inc. Amazon Legal Department 410 Terry Avenue N	
17	Seattle, WA 98109	
18	With a copy to:	
19	Gregory Doll, Esq. DOLL AMIR & ELEY LLP	
20	725 S. Figueroa St., Suite 3275 Los Angeles, CA 90017	
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22	8.2 Any Party, from time to time, may specify in writing to the other party a change of	
23	address to which all notices and other communications shall be sent.	
24	9. <u>COUNTERPARTS; FACSIMILE/ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES</u>	
25	This Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts, and by facsimile or portable	
26	document format (PDF) signature, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which	
27	taken together shall be deemed to constitute one document. A facsimile or .pdf signature sent via	
28	email shall be construed as valid as the original signature.	
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# 1 10. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.7(f); COURT 2 APPROVAL

10.1 CTWG agrees to comply with the requirements set forth in HSC § 25249.7(f) and to bring a Motion for Approval of this Consent Judgment. The Parties agree to act in good faith to obtain Court approval of the Consent Judgment. Upon entry of the Consent Judgment, the Parties waive their respective rights to a hearing and trial on the allegations in the Notice and Complaint.

7 If this Consent Judgment is not approved in full by the Court: (a) this Consent 10.2 8 Judgment and any and all prior agreements between the Parties merged herein shall terminate and 9 become null and void, and the actions shall revert to the status that existed prior to the execution 10 date of this Consent Judgment; provided, however, no term of this Consent Judgment or any draft 11 thereof, or of the negotiation, documentation, or other part or aspect of the Parties' settlement 12 discussions, shall have any effect, nor shall any such matter be admissible in evidence for any 13 purpose in either the Action, or in any other proceeding; and, the Parties agree to meet and confer 14 to determine whether to modify the terms of the Consent Judgment and to resubmit it for approval.

15 10.3 If the Court approves this Consent Judgment and is reversed or vacated by an
appellate court, the Parties shall meet and confer as to whether to modify the terms of this Consent
Judgment. If the Parties do not jointly agree on a course of action to take, the case shall proceed
on its normal course on the trial court's calendar.

19 11. <u>DRAFTING</u>. The terms of this Consent Judgment have been reviewed by the respective
 20 counsel for each Party to this settlement prior to its signing, and each Party has had an opportunity
 21 to fully discuss the terms with counsel. The Parties agree that, in any subsequent interpretation and
 22 construction of this Consent Judgment entered thereon, the terms and provisions shall not be
 23 construed against any Party.

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#### 12. MODIFICATION

12.1 This Consent Judgment may be modified only by further written stipulation of the
Parties and the approval of the Court or upon the granting of a motion brought to the Court by either
Party, or upon a successful motion of any Party as provided by law and upon entry of a modified
Consent Judgment by the Court thereon.

1	12.2 Any Party seeking to modify this Consent Judgment shall attempt in good faith	
2	meet and confer with the other Party prior to filing a motion to modify the Consent Judgment.	
3	12.3 Any motion to modify shall be served on all Parties and the Office of the Attorne	
4	General.	
5	13. <u>ATTORNEY'S FEES.</u>	
6	Except as explicitly provided herein each Party is to bear its own fees and costs with respect	
7	to the Action.	
8	14. <u><b>RETENTION OF JURISDICTION; ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT JUDGMENT;</b></u>	
9	CURE AND GOOD FAITH	
10	14.1 This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to implement and enforce the terms	
11	of this Consent Judgment under Code of Civil Procedure section 664.6.	
12	14.2 Only after it complies with Section 14.4 below may any Party, by motion or	
13	application for an order to show cause filed with this Court, enforce the terms and conditions	
14	contained in this Consent Judgment.	
15	14.3 If either or both Defendants distribute for sale in the State of California, or directly	
16	sell in the State of California the Covered Product without a Proposition 65 warning in the future,	
17	and subsequently CTWG alleges that any such product is not in compliance with this Consent	
18	Judgment,, CTWG agrees to advise the relevant Defendant(s) of such alleged breach in the manner	
19	set forth in Section 8 above. For any alleged sale that CTWG alleges is out of compliance, CTWG	
20	agrees to provide, with its notice, a screenshot of the Covered Product's label, or online listing on	
21	amazon.com, or any other website, its test results, and an explanation as to why CTWG believes it	
22	is a Covered Product and not in compliance. CTWG agrees to provide each Defendant, as	
23	applicable and relevant to that party, with thirty (30) business days' notice (calculated from the date	
24	notice is provided) to cure any alleged violation of this Consent Judgment (the "Notice to Cure").	
25	The Parties shall first attempt to resolve the matter prior to any CTWG taking any further legal	
26	action with the Court.	
27	14.4 If a dispute arises with respect to any Party's compliance with the terms of this	
28	Consent Judgment entered by the Court, the Parties shall meet in person or by telephone and	

1 endeavor to resolve the dispute in an amicable manner. No action, legal proceeding or motion may 2 be filed in the absence of such a good faith attempt to resolve the dispute beforehand. Where a 3 Party is non-responsive to such effort, a meet and confer email and fifteen (15) days response time 4 are sufficient to demonstrate a good faith effort. 5 In any proceeding brought by either Party to enforce this Consent Judgment, the 14.5 6 prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorney's fees and costs. 7 **NO EFFECT ON OTHER SETTLEMENTS** 15. 8 Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall preclude Plaintiff from resolving any claim against 9 another entity or resolving any claim with the same Defendants for products other than the Covered 10 Product, on terms that are different from those contained in this Consent Judgment. 11 16. AUTHORIZATION 12 The undersigned are authorized to execute this Consent Judgment on behalf of their 13 respective Parties and have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this document and certify that he or she is fully authorized by the Party he or she represents to execute 14 15 the Consent Judgment on behalf of the Party represented and legally bind that Party. 16 [Signatures Appear on the Following Page] 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 15

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1 2	IT IS SO STIPULATED:	
1	Dated. 11/25 . 2024	THE CHEMICAL TOXIN WORKING GROUP, INC.
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5		By Adre ELVINNEN
6		David Steinman. Director
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9	Dated 11 22 . 2024	WHOLE FOODS MARKET CALIFORNIA, INC.
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11		By:Name:_John H. Hempling
12		Its:VP, AGC Litigation
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14	Dated: December 4, 2024	AMAZON.COM SERVICES LLC
15		Signed by:
16		By: Name: Alexissee Bilins
17		Its: Authorized Representative
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