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11	UNLIMITED CIVIL JURISDICTION		
12	SUSAN DAVIA,	Case No. CIV2104125	
13	Plaintiff,	CONSENT TO JUDGMENT SETTLEMENT	
14	v.	AGREEMENT	
15	COMPASS HEALTH BRANDS CORP., 4MD	Action Filed: December 9, 2021 Trial Date: None Assigned	
16	MEDICAL SOLUTIONS LLC AND DOES 1- 150,		
17	Defendants.		
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- 1	CONSENT TO JUDGMENT SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT		

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Parties

This consent to judgment settlement agreement ("Agreement" or "Settlement Agreement") is entered into by and between noticing party Susan Davia ("Davia") and noticed party Compass Health Brands ("Compass"), with Davia and Compass each referred to as a "Party" and collectively referred to as the "Parties."

1.2 Davia

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 Compass

Compass Health Brands ("Compass") 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").

1.4 General Allegations

Davia alleges that Compass is responsible for the design, manufacture, distribution and/or sale, in the State of California, of oxygen cylinder carry bags with vinyl windows that are alleged to expose users to di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate ("DEHP") without first providing "clear and reasonable warning" under Proposition 65. Pursuant to Proposition 65, DEHP is listed as a carcinogen and reproductive toxin. DEHP shall be referred to hereinafter as the "Listed Chemical."

1.5 Notice of Violation

On September 14, 2021, Davia served Compass 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 DEHP found in the oxygen cylinder shoulder bag products with vinyl windows sold in California (AG Notice 2021-02292). This September 14, 2021, Notice of Violation shall hereafter be referred to as "Notice." Compass represents that, as of the date it executes this

Agreement, it is not aware of any public enforcer that is diligently prosecuting a Proposition 65 enforcement action related to DEHP in the oxygen cylinder shoulder bag products as identified in the Notice.

1.6 Complaint

On December 9, 2021, Davia filed a Complaint in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Marin, Case No. CIV2104125, alleging violations by Defendants of Health and Safety Code § 25249.6 based on the alleged exposures to DEHP in the Covered Products (the "Action").

1.7 No Admission

This Agreement resolves claims that are denied and disputed by Compass. The Parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to a full and final settlement of any and all claims between the Parties for the purpose of avoiding prolonged litigation. Compass denies the material factual and legal allegations contained in the Notice, maintains that it did not knowingly or intentionally expose California consumers to the Listed Chemical through the reasonably foreseeable use of the Covered Products and otherwise contends that, all Covered Products it has manufactured, distributed and/or sold in California have been and are in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, including Proposition 65. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as an admission by Compass of any fact, finding, issue of law, or violation of law, nor shall compliance with this Agreement constitute or be construed as an admission by Compass of any fact, finding, conclusion, issue of law, or violation of law, such being specifically denied by Compass. However, notwithstanding the foregoing, this section shall not diminish or otherwise affect Compass' obligations, responsibilities, and duties under this Agreement.

1.8 Consent to Jurisdiction

For purposes of this Agreement only, the Parties stipulate that the Marin County Superior Court has jurisdiction over Compass as to this Agreement, that venue for any action to enforce this Agreement is proper in County of Marin, that this Agreement shall be construed as made pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 664.6 and the Marin County Superior Court shall be considered to have jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this Agreement until performance in full of the terms

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "Covered Product" shall mean all "Zephyr" or "Air Lift" branded oxygen cylinder carry bags with vinyl windows containing DEHP distributed by Compass in California, including, but not limited to, AirLift Comfort Shoulder Bag for D Cylinder (Model No. 32N), AirLift Comfort Shoulder Bag for M9/C Cylinder (Model No. 34N) and Air Lift Shoulder Bag for M7 Cylinders (Model No. 38N).
- 2.2 "Phthalate Free" Covered Products shall mean any accessible component of any Covered Product contains less than or equal to 1,000 parts per million ("ppm") of DEHP, DINP, din-butyl phthalate ("DBP"), di-isodecyl phthalate ("DIDP"), di-n-hexyl phthalate ('DnHP") or butyl benzyl phthalate ('BBP") as determined by a minimum of duplicate quality controlled test results using Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") testing methodologies 3580A and 8270C or equivalent methodologies utilized by federal or state agencies to determine the presence and measure the quantity of phthalates in solid substances.
- **2.3** "California Customer" means any direct customer of Compass with a California ship to or billing address or any retail customer who Compass reasonably believes sells products into California.
 - **2.4** "Effective Date" shall mean May 15, 2023.

3. INJUNCTIVE-TYPE RELIEF

3.1 Products No Longer in Compass's Control

No later than the Effective Date, Compass shall send a letter, electronic or otherwise ("Notification Letter") to the manager for any retail California Customer to which Compass has distributed or sold Covered Products since September 1, 2020, and which retail California Customer Compass reasonably believes continues to maintain any inventory of Covered Products that are not labelled with a clear and reasonable Proposition 65 warning equivalent to one of those in Section 3.3.. The Notification Letter shall advise the recipient that Covered Products "have been tested for the presence of phthalates and found to contain DEHP, a chemical known to the State of California

3.2 Product Reformulation Commitment

3.2.1 No later than the Effective Date, Compass shall provide the Phthalate Free concentration standards of Section 2.2 to its then-current vendors or manufacturers of any Covered Product and request such entities not to incorporate any raw or component materials that do not meet the Phthalate Free concentration standards of Section 2.2 into any Covered Product or to supply any Covered Product to Compass that is not Phthalate Free. For a period of two years after the Effective Date, Compass shall maintain copies of all vendor correspondence relating to the Phthalate Free concentration standards and shall produce such copies to Davia within fifteen (15) days of receipt of written request from Davia, which request may be made no more than one time per calendar year.

Effective Date and shall promptly produce copies of such records upon Davia's written request.

3.2.2 After the Effective Date, Compass shall provide the Phthalate Free concentration standards of Section 2.2 to any new vendors or manufacturers of any Covered Product and request such entities not to incorporate any raw or component materials that do not meet the Phthalate Free concentration standards of Section 2.2 into any Covered Product. Prior to purchase and acquisition of any Covered Product from any new vendor, Compass shall obtain a laboratory test result from the new vendor demonstrating compliance with the Phthalate Free concentration standard in all materials comprising the Covered Product. For every Covered Product Compass manufactures, causes to be manufactured, orders, causes to be ordered or otherwise obtains from a new vendor after the Effective Date, Compass shall maintain copies of all testing of such products demonstrating compliance with this section, shall maintain copies of all vendor correspondence relating to the

Phthalate Free concentration standards for two (2) years from the Effective Date. Compass shall produce such copies to Davia within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of written request from Davia, which request may be made no more than one time per calendar year.

3.2.3 As of June 30, 2023, Compass shall not manufacture, cause to be manufactured, purchase or otherwise obtain any Covered Product unless such Covered Product either meets the Phthalate Free concentration standards of this Agreement or is made with components containing no other Proposition 65 listed phthalate besides DEHP.

3.3 Covered Product Warnings

3.3.1 As of the Effective Date, Compass shall not distribute, sell or ship, or cause to be distributed, sold or shipped, any Covered Product to a California Customer unless such Covered Product is either (1) confirmed to be Phthalate Free or (2) is made with components containing no other Proposition 65 listed phthalate besides DEHP in concentrations above 1,000 ppm and is labelled with a Covered Product warning pursuant to this section when sold or distributed in California.

Each such warning utilized by Compass for any Covered Product shall be prominently placed either on the product, its labeling or its packaging 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 either be printed directly on the Covered Product consumer cardboard packaging or shall be affixed to the consumer cardboard packaging. Each warning shall include the yellow triangle with an internal exclamation point and state:

▲ WARNING: The vinyl materials of this product can expose you to chemicals, including DEHP, that are 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.

or

▲ WARNING: Cancer and Reproductive Harm. - www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

3.4 Internet Ecommerce Covered Product Warnings

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A warning must be given in conjunction with the sale, or offer of sale, by Compass of any Covered Product not confirmed by Compass to be Phthalate Free via any ecommerce website owned, operated, managed or controlled by Compass. A warning will satisfy this requirement if 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. One of the following warning statements 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, or through a hyperlink using the word "WARNING", in the same type size or larger than the Covered Product description text:___

▲WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals, including DEHP, that are 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.

Alternatively, the following "short form" warning may be used on the ecommerce website, but only if the same warning language also appears on the product label or consumer packaging of the Covered Product itself.

△WARNING: Cancer and Reproductive Harm - www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

4. MONETARY PAYMENTS

4.1 Civil Penalty

As a condition of settlement of all the claims referred to in this agreement, Compass shall pay a total of \$3,200 in civil penalties in accordance with California Health & Safety Code § 25249.12(c)(1) & (d), with 75% of the funds remitted to the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and the remaining 25% of the penalty remitted to Davia.

4.2 Augmentation of Penalty Payments

For purposes of the penalty assessment under this Agreement, Davia is relying entirely upon

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4.3 Reimbursement of Davia'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. Compass 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, Compass shall pay Davia's counsel the amount of \$28,500 for fees and costs incurred investigating, litigating and enforcing this matter.

4.4 Payment Procedures

No later than fifteen (15) days after execution of this Judgment, Compass shall deliver all

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settlement payment funds required by this Judgment to its counsel. Within one (1) week of receipt of the settlement funds, Compass' counsel shall confirm receipt in writing to plaintiff's counsel and, thereafter, hold Compass' settlement payment checks or payment(s) until such time as the Court approves this settlement as contemplated by Section 6. Within five (5) business days of the date plaintiff provides electronic mail notice to counsel for Defendants that the Court has approved this settlement, Compass' counsel shall deliver the settlement payments to plaintiff's counsel as follows:

a civil penalty check payable to "OEHHA" (EIN: 68-0284486, Memo line "Prop 65 Penalties, 2021-02292"), in the amount of \$2,400;

a civil penalty check payable to "Susan Davia" (Tax ID to be supplied, Memo line "Prop 65 Penalties, 2021-02292") in the amount of \$800;

an attorney fee and cost reimbursement check payable to "Sheffer Law Firm" (EIN 55-08-58910, Memo line "2021-02292") in the amount of \$28,500.

All Section 4.1 and Section 4.3 civil penalty and attorney fee/cost payments shall be delivered to plaintiff's counsel at the following address:

> Sheffer Law Firm Attn: Proposition 65 Controller 232 E. Blithedale Avenue, Suite 210 Mill Valley, CA 94941

All Section 4.2 civil penalty and attorney fee/cost payments, if any, shall be delivered to plaintiff's counsel at the following address on or before the date agreed upon pursuant to that section or as ordered by the Court:

> Sheffer Law Firm Attn: Proposition 65 Controller 232 E. Blithedale Avenue, Suite 210 Mill Valley, CA 94941

Compass shall be liable for payment of interest, at a rate of 10% simple interest, for all amounts due and owing from it under this Section that are not received by Sheffer Law Firm within two business days of the due date for such payment.

While the obligations of this agreement are binding upon execution, the Release of Compass shall not become effective until after all monetary payments have been made by Compass and all

4.5 Issuance of 1099 Forms

After this Agreement has been executed and the settlement funds have been transmitted to Davia's counsel, Compass shall issue three separate 1099 forms, as follows:

- (a) 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) 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) issued to the Sheffer Law Firm (EIN: 55-08-58910) in the amount paid pursuant to Section 4.2 and 4.3.

5. RELEASES

5.1 DAVIA'S RELEASE OF COMPASS

- **5.1.1** Plaintiff acting on her own behalf and in the public interest releases Compass, 4MD Medical Solutions, LLC, and each of their directors, officers, employees, attorneys, agents, parents, and subsidiaries ("Releasees") from all claims for violations of Proposition 65 up through the Effective Date based on exposure to DEHP from the Covered Products as set forth in the Notice of Violation. Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment constitutes compliance with Proposition 65 with respect to exposures to DEHP from Covered Products as set forth in the Notice of Violations.
- **5.1.2** Davia also, in her individual capacity and on behalf of her past and current representatives, agents, attorneys, successors and/or assigns, 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 Davia, of any nature, character or kind, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, arising out of the subject matter of the Notice as to Covered Products manufactured, distributed or sold by Compass or Releasees before the Effective Date. Davia acknowledges that she is familiar with section

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Davia, in her individual capacity and on behalf of her past and current representatives, agents, attorneys, successors and/or assigns expressly waives and relinquishes any and all rights and benefits that she may have under, or which may be conferred on her by the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code as well as under any other state or federal statute or common law principle of similar effect, to the fullest extent that she may lawfully waive such rights or benefits pertaining to the released matters. In furtherance of such intention, excepting Section 4.2, the release hereby given shall be and remain in effect as a full and complete release notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different claims or facts arising out of the released matters.

5.1.3 This section 5.1 release shall not extend upstream to any entities, other than Compass, that manufactured the Covered Products or any component parts thereof, or any distributors or suppliers who sold the covered products or any component parts thereof to Compass.

5.2 Compass's Release of Davia

The Release by Davia is mutual. Compass, each on behalf of itself, its past and current agents, representatives, attorneys, successors, and/or assignees, hereby waives any and all claims against Davia and 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, otherwise seeking to enforce Proposition 65 against it in this matter, or with respect to the Covered Products. Compass 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 THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT

TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASING PARTY.

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

6. COURT APPROVAL

This Judgment is effective upon execution but must also be approved by the Court. If the Court does not approve this Judgment in its entirety, the Parties shall meet and confer to determine whether to modify the terms of the Judgment and to resubmit it for approval. In meeting and conferring, the Parties agree to negotiate in good faith to reach agreement on any actions reasonably necessary to amend and/or modify this Judgment in order to further the mutual intention of the Parties in entering into this Judgment. The Judgment 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. The Parties agree that, upon Court approval, a Court judgment shall be entered on the terms of this Judgment.

7. SEVERABILITY

If any of the provisions of this Agreement are found by a court to be unenforceable, the validity of the enforceable provisions remaining, after express agreement of the Parties, shall not be adversely affected, unless the Court finds that any unenforceable provision is not severable from the remainder of the Agreement.

8. GOVERNING LAW

The terms of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.

9. 1 **NOTICES** 2 3 4

When any Party is entitled to receive any notice under this Agreement, the notice shall be sent by certified mail or electronic mail to the following:

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Kallie Booth, Chief Financial Officer Compass Health Brands 6753 Engle Road Middleburg Heights, OH 44130

With a copy to its counsel:

Chris M. Amantea, Esq. Law Offices of Chris M. Amantea 7590 Fay Ave., Suite 520 La Jolla, CA 92037 camantea@ca-envirolaw.com

For Davia to:

Proposition 65 Coordinator Sheffer Law Firm 232 E. Blithedale Ave., Suite 210 Mill Valley, CA 94941 gregs@sheffer-law.net

Any Party may modify the person and address to whom the notice is to be sent by sending each other Party notice by certified mail and/or other verifiable form of written communication.

10. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 25249.7(F)

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

11. **MODIFICATION**

This Agreement may be modified only by written agreement of the Parties.

12. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement 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

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or not similar, nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver. 13. ATTORNEY'S FEES

- 13.1 Should either Party prevail on any motion, application for order to show cause or other proceeding to enforce a violation of this Agreement, that Party shall be entitled to its reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred as a result of such motion, order or application, consistent with C.C.P. §§ 1021 and 1021.5.
- **13.2** Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, each Party shall bear its own costs and attorney's fees in connection with the Notice.
- 13.3 Nothing in this Section shall preclude a Party from seeking an award of sanctions pursuant to law.

14. NEUTRAL CONSTRUCTION

Both 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.

15. 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.

16. AUTHORIZATION

The undersigned 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.

IT IS SO AGREED

Dated: April 17, 2023 Kallie Booth, Chief Financial Officer Compass Health Brands	Dated: April, 2023
	Susan Davia

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