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NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION

TO THE CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL AND ALL PARTIES AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on December 10, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., in the Superior Court of Alameda, Department 20, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612, the Honorable Robert B. Freedman presiding, Plaintiff Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc., will and hereby does move for judicial approval of two proposed consent judgments in this matter, one of which is with Defendants Central Garden & Pet Company, Inc.; Farnam Companies, Inc.; Petco Animal Supplies Stores, Inc.; Drs. Foster & Smith, Inc.; Fins, Furs & Feathers, Inc. d/b/a Petstore.com; Ralphs Grocery Company; Jeffers, Inc.; KV Vet Supply, Inc.; Lee's Pet Club, Inc. d/b/a Pet Club Stores; Red Cart Market, Inc. d/b/a Pet Club Stores; Orchard Supply Hardware LLC; Pet Food Express LTD; Petsmart Inc.; Petsmart Store Support Group, Inc.; Wellmark International, Inc.; and the second of which is with Sergeant's Pet Care Products, Inc.; Albertsons, Inc.; New Albertsons, Inc.; PETCO Animal Supplies Stores, Inc.; Petsmart, Inc.; PetSmart Store Support Group, Inc.; Lee's Pet Club, Inc., d/b/a Pet Club Stores; Red Cart Market, Inc., d/b/a Pet Club Stores; and Ralphs Grocery Co.

This motion is brought pursuant to Health & Safety Code §25249.7(f)(4) on the grounds that the settlement of the claims pursuant to these two proposed consent judgments meets all of the requirements of Proposition 65. Pursuant to Health & Safety Code §25249.7(f)(5), this motion and all supporting papers are being served on the Attorney General. If the Attorney General does not object or otherwise respond, that does not mean that the Attorney General endorses or concurs in the settlement. See 11 C.C.R. §3003(a).

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

In this action brought pursuant to Proposition 65, Plaintiff Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. ("NRDC") sued 19 companies that manufactured, distributed, or sold propoxur-containing flea-and-tick collars for sale or use within the State of California. NRDC now seeks the Court's approval of two settlement agreements with all but one of those Defendants.¹

One settlement agreement is between NRDC, flea-and-tick collar manufacturers Central Garden & Pet Company, Inc. ("Central"), Farnam Companies, Inc. ("Farnum"), and Wellmark International, Inc. ("Wellmark"), and certain retailers that sold and sell collars manufactured by those Central, Farnum, and Wellmark. These Defendants are referred to collectively as the "Central Settling Defendants." The second settlement agreement is between NRDC, flea-and-tick collar manufacturer Sergeant's Pet Care Products, Inc. ("Sergeant's"), and certain retailers that sold or sell collars manufactured by Sergeant's. These Defendants are referred to collectively as the "Sergeant's Settling Defendants."

The settling Defendants have agreed to proposed consent judgments. In negotiating the terms of these proposed consent judgments, all settling parties have been represented by experienced counsel. The settlements are the result of substantial arms-length negotiations between counsel, and constitute fair and reasonable resolutions of the claims raised. The proposed consent judgments have been submitted for review to the California Attorney General, and are in full compliance with the statutory and regulatory requirements of Proposition 65. The consent judgments are in the interests of the general public and should be approved.

II. BACKGROUND

A. Statutory and Procedural Background

This is an action to enforce the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, Health & Safety Code §25249.5, also known as "Proposition 65." Proposition 65 prohibits any

¹ Defendant Virbac Corporation ("Virbac") is not a party to either of the proposed consent judgments for which NRDC here seeks approval.

person in the course of doing business from knowingly and intentionally exposing any individual to a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, without first giving clear and reasonable warning of such exposure. Health & Safety Code §25249.6.

Proposition 65 establishes a procedure by which the State of California lists chemicals known by the State to cause cancer. On August 11, 2006, the Carcinogen Identification Committee placed propoxur on the list of chemicals "known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity" within the meaning of Health & Safety Code §25249.8(b); and one year later, propoxur became subject to the warning requirements under Proposition 65. Health & Safety Code §25249.10(b).

NRDC has served Notices of Intent to Sue ("Notices") on Defendants and public prosecutors, including the Attorney General and all district attorneys and city attorneys in California authorized to prosecute a Proposition 65 action, in compliance with Health & Safety Code §25249.7(d)(1). Declaration of Jonathan Weissglass ("Weissglass Dec.") ¶5. The Notices identified certain propoxur-containing flea-and-tick collars manufactured, distributed and/or sold by the Defendants, which NRDC contended exposed individuals in California to propoxur without reasonable warning as required by Proposition 65. *Id.* None of the public prosecutors served with the Notices commenced an action. *Id.*

On December 7, 2009, NRDC filed a Complaint against the settling Defendants in the Alameda Count Superior Court, alleging that they violated Proposition 65 by exposing individuals in California to propoxur without providing warnings as required under Health & Safety Code §25249.6. On January 19, 2010, NRDC filed an Amended Complaint that corrected the name of one Defendant, but which was otherwise identical to the original Complaint.

B. Central Settlement Agreement

NRDC and the Central Settling Defendants have reached a settlement of NRDC's claims related to the manufacture, distribution and/or sale for use in California of certain flea-and-tick collars manufactured by Defendants Central, Farnum and Wellmark ("Central Settlement Agreement"). Weissglass Dec., Exh. A. The Central Settling Defendants are: Central; Farnum; Petco Animal Supplies Stores, Inc.; Drs. Foster & Smith, Inc.; Fins, Furs & Feathers, Inc. d/b/a

Petstore.com; Ralphs Grocery Company; Jeffers, Inc.; KV Vet Supply, Inc.; Lee's Pet Club, Inc. d/b/a Pet Club Stores; Red Cart Market, Inc. d/b/a Pet Club Stores; Orchard Supply Hardware LLC; Pet Food Express LTD; Petsmart Inc.; Petsmart Store Support Group, Inc.; and Wellmark.

The Central Settlement Agreement covers flea-and-tick collars manufactured, packaged, distributed, marketed or sold by Defendants Central, Farnam, and Wellmark, as identified in NRDC's Notices to the Central Settling Defendants. The parties to the agreement acknowledge that these flea-and-tick collars contain propoxur and that the Central Settling Defendants did not include Proposition 65 warnings for these products for some period of time within one year of the filing of the Complaint. Weissglass Dec. Exh. A ¶1.8. However, the Central Settling Defendants dispute that the manufacture, packaging, distribution, marketing, sale, or use of the products at issue results in the exposure of individuals to propoxur in amounts that would require a warning under Proposition 65. *Id.* The Central Settling Defendants also contend that they have scientific evidence to demonstrate that exposure to propoxur poses no significant risk within the meaning of Health & Safety Code §25249.10(c). *Id.* NRDC contends it has evidence to the contrary. *Id.*

After NRDC sent out its Notices, NRDC and the Central Settling Defendants engaged in informal discovery and settlement negotiations. *Id.* To prevent prolonged litigation, including extensive fact and expert discovery, NRDC and the Central Settling Defendants agreed to compromise their disputed claims. The settlement agreement provides that NRDC waives and releases all of its claims against the Central Settling Defendants that may arise from their acts relating to the products covered by the settlement and relating to propoxur in any flea and tick collar manufactured by Central, Farnam, or Wellmark. *Id.* ¶4.1. In exchange, Central, Farnam, and Wellmark will provide a warning label on the covered flea-and-tick collars that states: "NOTICE: This product contains propoxur, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer." *Id.* ¶2.1. Those manufacturers will also cease distribution of products covered by this lawsuit that do not contain such warning. *Id.* ¶2.2. Additionally, the retailers covered by the settlement will remove from their shelves in California products manufactured by Central, Farnam, or Wellmark covered by this lawsuit that do not contain a warning label. *Id.* ¶2.3.

The civil penalties under the settlement are set at \$80,000, and the reimbursement of plaintiff's attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses is set at \$40,000. *Id.* ¶¶3.2, 3.3. The civil penalties were calculated as a percentage of the profits of the Central Settling Defendants based on sworn statements regarding their estimated profits. Weissglass Dec. ¶4. The attorneys' fees are less than the fees incurred by NRDC for researching, investigating, and litigating the case, which were calculated based on a lodestar representing the actual number of hours worked multiplied by counsel's current market rates. *Id.* ¶10.

C. Sergeant's Settlement Agreement

NRDC and the Sergeant's Settling Defendants have reached a settlement of NRDC's claims related to the manufacture, distribution and/or sale for use in California of certain flea-and-tick collars manufactured by Defendant Sergeant's ("Sergeant's Settlement Agreement"). Weissglass Dec. Exh. B. The Sergeant's Settling Defendants are: Sergeant's; Albertsons, Inc.; New Albertsons, Inc.; PETCO Animal Supplies Stores, Inc.; Petsmart, Inc.; PetSmart Store Support Group, Inc.; Lee's Pet Club, Inc., d/b/a Pet Club Stores; Red Cart Market, Inc., d/b/a Pet Club Stores; and Ralphs Grocery Co.

The Sergeant's Settlement Agreement covers flea-and-tick collars that Sergeant's manufactures and sells pursuant to Registration Number 2517-61, which was issued to Sergeant's by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act ("FIFRA"), 7 U.S.C. §136 et seq. ("Sergeant's Registered Products"). Weissglass Dec., Exh. B ¶1.3. The agreement also covers flea-and-tick collars carrying the Sergeant's brand name, but which are subject to FIFRA Registration Numbers 2724-491 and 2724-493, which are held by Wellmark ("Wellmark Registered Products"). *Id.* ¶1.4. Finally, the agreement covers certain products carrying the Zema brand name ("Zema Products"). *Id.* ¶1.5.

The parties to the Sergeant's Settlement Agreement acknowledge that these covered products contain or contained propoxur. Sergeant's asserts that it changed the packages for the Sergeant's Registered Products to include Proposition 65 warning, and began shipping packaging containing this warning into California in March 2008 (id. ¶1.3); that it began shipping the

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Wellmark Registered Products with a Proposition 65 warning beginning in December 2009 (*id.* ¶1.4); and that the Zema Products were discontinued in December 2008 and are no longer sold in California (*id.* ¶1.5).

To prevent prolonged litigation, including extensive fact and expert discovery, NRDC and the Sergeant's Settling Defendants agreed to compromise their disputed claims. The settlement agreement provides that NRDC waives and releases all of its claims against the Sergeant's Settling Defendants relating to the covered products arising from the alleged failure to warn regarding the presence of propoxur in those products. *Id.* ¶1.9. In exchange, Sergeant's agrees that all products covered by the agreement that are manufactured and/or shipped for distribution to or sale in California after the agreement's effective date will carry a Proposition 65 warning. *Id.* ¶¶2.1, 2.2. The Sergeant's Settling Defendants, however, do not admit that any violation of Proposition 65, and maintain that all covered products they have sold in California and/or shipped for sale in California during the time periods relevant to NRDC's claims have been and are in compliance with Proposition 65. *Id.* ¶1.9.

The Sergeant's Settlement Agreement provides for the payment of civil penalties in the amount of \$16,292.53 and attorneys' fees, costs and expenses in the amount of \$13,703.47. *Id.* ¶¶3.1.1, 3.1.2. The civil penalties were calculated as a percentage of the profits of the Sergeant's Settling Defendants based on sworn statements regarding their estimated profits, and take into account the steps taken toward providing warning. Weissglass Dec. ¶4. The settlement agreement also provides for the payment of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses that, when added to the proposed payment from the Central Settling Defendants, are less than the fees incurred by NRDC for researching, investigating, and litigating the case, and which were calculated based on a lodestar representing the actual number of hours worked multiplied by counsel's current market rates. *Id.* ¶10.

III. ARGUMENT

Health & Safety Code §25249.7(f)(4) requires parties to submit settlements of private enforcement actions to the Court for approval by noticed motion. To approve a settlement, the Court must make three statutory findings: (1) any required warning complies with Proposition

65; (2) any penalty is reasonable based on the statutory criteria; and (3) any attorneys' fees are reasonable. Health & Safety Code §25249.7(f)(4). Here, the settlement agreements' terms and conditions readily support these findings.

A. The Consent Judgments' Warnings Comply With Proposition 65

The consent judgments with the Central Settling Defendants and the Sergeant's Settling Defendants provide for warnings that comply with Proposition 65, as required by Health & Safety Code §25249.7(f)(4)(A). Proposition 65 requires a "clear and reasonable warning." *Id.* §25249.6. Pursuant to Proposition 65 regulations, a warning is sufficient when:

(1) the text and appearance of the warning, along with a sufficient description of where the warning will appear in order to ascertain whether the warning will be "reasonably conspicuous" under the circumstances of purchase or use of the product; and (2) [there is] sufficient proof that the product causes exposure to a listed chemical to enable a finding that the warning would be truthful.

11 C.C.R. §3203(a).

Both the Central Settlement Agreement and the Sergeant's Settlement Agreement provide for warning labels that will be printed on the packaging of covered flea-and-tick collar products. These warning labels are "reasonably conspicuous" (11 C.C.R. §3203(a)), and comply with Proposition's requirement of a "clear and reasonable warning." Health & Safety Code §25249.6.²

B. The Stipulated Penalties Are Reasonable and Comply with Proposition 65

Proposition 65 provides a non-exclusive list of factors that are to be considered in assessing whether any amount of civil penalties is reasonable. These factors are (a) the nature and extent of the violations; (b) the number and severity of the violations; (c) the economic effect on the violator; (d) whether the violator took good faith measures to comply with Proposition 65 and the time those measures were taken; (e) the willfulness of the violator's misconduct; and (f)

² The Central Settlement Agreement requires that the products at issue will contain a warning label that states: "NOTICE: This product contains propoxur, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer." Weissglass Dec. Exh. A ¶2.1. The Sergeant's Settlement Agreement provides for warning labels stating: "NOTICE: This product contains a chemical (o-Isoproxyphenyl methylcarbamate) (propoxur) known to the State of California to cause cancer"; and "Notice: This product contains propoxur, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer." *Id.* Exh. B ¶1.3, 1.4, 2.1, 2.2.

the deterrent effect on both the violator and the regulated community as a whole. Health & Safety Code §25249.7(b)(2), (f).

The Central Settlement Agreement provides for \$80,000 in civil penalties, and the Sergeant's Settlement Agreement provides for \$16,292.53 in civil penalties. Weissglass Dec. Exh. A ¶3.2, Exh. B ¶3.1.1. The penalties shall be allocated between NRDC and the State of California as provided by Health & Safety Code §25249.12(c)-(d), with NRDC's portion being distributed to the Rose Foundation. *Id.*, Exh. A ¶3.2; *id.*, Exh. B ¶3.1.1. The amounts of these civil penalties are reasonable and meet all the statutory criteria and considerations set forth above.

The Central Settling Defendants and the Sergeant's Settling Defendants have provided sworn declarations outlining the steps they have taken to provide warning labels and the estimated profits they made from sales of the propoxur-containing flea collars subject to the settlement agreements. Weissglass Dec. ¶4. The civil penalties provided for in both the Central Settlement Agreement and Sergeant's Settlement Agreement were calculated as a percentage of the profits of the settling Defendants, and take into account the steps taken toward providing warning. *Id*.

The penalties also take into account Defendant manufacturers' actions in placing Proposition 65 warning labels on the covered products. *Id.* With respect to the products covered by the Central Settlement Agreement, the manufacturers have agreed to cease distribution of the covered products not containing a Proposition 65 warning as soon as the proposed consent judgment is approved and becomes the final order of the Court, and the retailers have agreed to remove all covered products from sale in California by that same date. *Id.* Exh. A ¶2.2, 2.3. The Sergeant's Settlement Agreement provides that Sergeant's will assure that all flea-and-tick collars covered by that agreement and manufactured and/or shipped for distribution to or sale in California on or after the agreement's effective date will contain a Proposition 65 warning. *Id.* Exh. B. ¶2.1. Sergeant's further asserts that it began shipping some of the covered products to California in March 2008 in packaging that contained Proposition 65 warnings; and that the packaging of other covered products shipped to California contained Proposition 65 warnings

Finally, the overall monetary relief demonstrates to the settling Defendants and other regulated entities that they must be aware of and must comply with Proposition 65 in a timely manner, but is not so severe that it will unduly impede the Defendants' business. In light of this, the relationship of the penalties to the amount of profits earned on products sold in California that did not contain Proposition 65 warnings, and the settling Defendants' actions to include Proposition 65 warnings on the packaging of the covered flea-and-tick collars, the stipulated amounts of the civil penalties are reasonable.

C. The Stipulated Awards of Attorneys' Fees, Costs And Expenses Are Reasonable

The last factor for a court's consideration of a Proposition 65 settlement is whether the proposed attorneys' fee award is "reasonable." The Central Settling Defendants have agreed to reimburse NRDC for its reasonable attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses in the amount of \$40,000; and the Sergeant's Settling Defendants have agreed to reimburse NRDC for such fees, costs and expenses in the amount of \$13,703.47. Weissglass Dec. Exh. A ¶3.3, Exh. B ¶3.1.2. For the reasons set forth below, these stipulated amounts are reasonable.

According to the Proposition 65 regulation regarding the award of attorneys' fees as part of a settlement, the relevant inquires for the Court are (1) whether the plaintiff was a "successful party"; (2) whether the settlement confers a public benefit; (3) whether there was a necessity of private enforcement; and (4) whether the fees are reasonable. 11 C.C.R. §3201(a)-(d).

NRDC seeks to recover its fees pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §1021.5. The guidelines for settlement of fee awards set forth in the Proposition 65 regulations "apply to settlements under which the basis for a fee award is provided by Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5." 11 C.C.R. §3201. The guidelines "are intended to be consistent with existing law interpreting Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5," and "provide assistance to the litigants and the court in applying them to issues commonly arising under Proposition 65." *Id*.

Code of Civil Procedure §1021.5 provides in relevant part:

Upon motion, a court may award attorneys' fees to a successful party against one or more opposing parties in any action which has resulted in the enforcement of an important right affecting the public interest if: (a) a significant benefit, whether pecuniary or nonpecuniary, has been conferred on the general public or a large

class of persons, (b) the necessity and financial burden of private enforcement, or of enforcement by one public entity against another public entity, are such as to make the award appropriate, and (c) such fees should not in the interest of justice be paid out of the recovery, if any.

C.C.P. §1021.5. This statute codifies the "private attorney general" fee-shifting doctrine, and is intended to encourage suits that benefit the public by awarding fees to the successful parties. See Woodland Hills Residents Ass'n v. City Council of Los Angeles (1979) 23 Cal.3d 917, 933. The doctrine recognizes that "privately initiated lawsuits are often essential to the effectuation of the fundamental public policies embodied in . . . statutory provisions, and that, without some mechanism authorizing the award of attorney fees, private actions to enforce such important public policies will as a practical matter frequently be infeasible." Id. Where, as here, the amount of attorneys' fees are part of a settlement, the Court may "apply[] a somewhat less exacting review of each element of the fee claim than would be applied in a contested fee application." 11 C.C.R. §3201.

NRDC meets the criteria for attorneys' fees awards under 11 C.C.R. §3201 and C.C.P. §1021.5. First, NRDC was the "successful party" in this action. The Settling Defendants have agreed to cease all sales of propoxur-containing flea collars in California without Proposition 65 warning labels.

Second, NRDC vindicated an "important right affecting the public interest," and the proposed consent judgments confer a public benefit. C.C.P. §1021.5; 11 C.C.R. §3201(b). Ensuring that consumers know the potential risks of the products they buy is fundamental under Proposition 65. Vindication of fundamental rights by definition benefits the public as a whole and satisfies this factor. See Folsom v. Butte County Ass'n of Gov'ts (1982) 32 Cal.3d 668, 684 (substantial benefit implicit when lawsuit leads to implementation of fundamental legislative policy); Los Angeles Police Protective League v. City of Los Angeles (1986) 188 Cal.App.3d 1, 13 ("What made the right 'important' in this particular instance also meant it conferred a significant benefit on a large class of persons.").

Third, "the necessity and financial burden of private enforcement . . . are such as to make the award appropriate." C.C.P. §1021.5; see also 11 CCR §3201(c). No public prosecutor took this case; the only reason it was brought was NRDC's commitment to enforce Proposition 65.

Finally, the stipulated amount of fees, costs and expenses provided for in the settlement agreements is reasonable. 11 C.C.R. §3201(d). To determine the amount of a fee award for work on the merits, the Court computes the lodestar by multiplying the number of hours reasonably expended by each attorney by the reasonable hourly rate for that attorney's services. See, e.g., Press v. Lucky Stores, Inc. (1983) 34 Cal.3d 311, 322. In this case, counsel kept contemporaneous time records. Weissglass Dec. ¶9. NRDC seeks hourly rates for attorneys and litigation assistants based on the current hourly billing rates used by Altshuler Berzon for commercial clients. Id. ¶7. These rates are consistent with market rates in the San Francisco Bay Area. Id. ¶7-8 & Exh. C. Multiplying the current hourly rates for each professional by the number of hours that professional spent results in a lodestar greater than \$53,703.47. Id. ¶10. Given that the lodestar, which does not include costs or litigation expenses, is more than the combined settlement total of \$53,703.47 allocated to NRDC's attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, there can be no question that the stipulated amounts are reasonable.³

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, NRDC respectfully requests that the Court approve the proposed consent judgments.

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³ There is also no recovery from which to pay NRDC's fees. See C.C.P. §1021.5.



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TPROPOSEST CONSENT JUDGMENT

- 1.1 Plaintiff. The Plaintiff is Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc. ("NRDC" or "Plaintiff"), a non-profit environmental organization with more than 480,000 members nationwide. NRDC is dedicated to, among other causes, protecting the environment, improving human health, and supporting environmentally sound practices.
- 1.2 Settling Defendants. The Settling Defendants are Central Garden & Pet Company; Inc. ("Central"); Farnam Companies, Inc. ("Farnam"); Petco Animal Supplies Stores, Inc. ("Petco"); Drs. Foster & Smith, Inc. ("Foster & Smith"); Fins, Furs & Feathers, Inc. d/b/a Petstore.com ("Petstore"); Ralphs Grocery Company ("Ralphs"); Jeffers, Inc. ("Jeffers"); KV Vet Supply, Inc. ("KV"); Lee's Pet Club, Inc. d/b/a Pet Club Stores ("Pet Club"); Red Cart Market, Inc. d/b/a Pet Club Stores ("Pet Club"); Orchard Supply Hardware LLC ("Orchard"); Pet Food Express LTD; Petsmart Inc. ("Pet Food"); Petsmart Store Support Group, Inc. ("Petsmart"); and Wellmark International. Inc. ("Wellmark").
- 1.3 The Parties. Plaintiff and Settling Defendants are sometimes referred to herein as the "Parties."
- name for California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, Cal. Health and Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq. (sometimes referred to as "the Act"). Plaintiff proceeds under Section 25249.7(d) as a "person in the public interest." Solely for purposes of this Consent Judgment, the Parties stipulate that Plaintiff's Notices of Intent to Sue, listed as Exhibit A to this Consent Judgment ("Plaintiff's Notices") were served upon Defendants and public prosecutors, including the Attorney General and all district attorneys and city attorneys authorized to prosecute an action to enforce the Act, accompanied by certificates of merit, in compliance with Section 25249.7(d)(1) of the Act. Plaintiff is allowed to proceed pursuant to Section 25249.7(d)(2), because none of those public officials commenced an action pursuant to Plaintiff's Notices.
- 1.5 The Complaint. On December 7, 2009, Plaintiff filed a complaint against
 Settling Defendants and others ("Defendants") in the Superior Court for the County of Alameda
 ("Complaint") alleging that Defendants violated Proposition 65 by exposing individuals in

California to a chemical known as propoxur which has been designated under the Act as "known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity" within the meaning of Section 25249.8(b) (the "Covered Chemical"), without providing Proposition 65 warnings to such individuals, as alleged to be required under Section 25249.6. According to the Complaint, the alleged exposures to the Covered Chemical occur when individuals in California place propoxur containing flea and tick collars on dogs and cats and subsequently have contact with these animals. These flea and tick collars are manufactured, packaged, distributed, marketed and/or sold by Settling Defendants for use in California. These products are identified with specificity in Plaintiff's Notices and the Complaint. For purposes of this Consent Judgment, "Covered Products" shall refer to products manufactured, packaged, distributed, marketed or sold by Defendants Central, Farnam and Wellmark, as identified in Plaintiff's Notices to these three defendants and the retailer defendants who resold those products.

- 1.6 Jurisdiction. Solely for purposes of this Consent Judgment, the Parties stipulate that the Court has personal jurisdiction over Settling Defendants as to the acts alleged in the Action; that venue is proper in the County of Alameda; that the claims in the Action present a live controversy as to the application of Proposition 65 to the Covered Products and the Covered Chemical therein; that this Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment as a resolution of all claims relating to the Covered Products alleged in the Action against Settling Defendants; and that the Court shall retain jurisdiction to implement the Consent Judgment.
- Required. Section 25249.6 of Proposition 65 provides that "[n]o person in the course of business shall knowingly and intentionally expose any individual to a chemical known to the state to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity without first giving clear and reasonable warning to such individual, except as provided in Section 25429.10." Section 25249.10(c), under the heading "Exemptions from Warning Requirement," provides that Section 25249.6 "shall not apply" to an "exposure for which the person responsible can show that the exposure poses no significant risk assuming lifetime exposure at the level in question for substances known to the state to cause cancer, and that the exposure will have no observable effect assuming exposure at one thousand

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Settlement. After Plaintiff's Notices were issued, the Parties began engaging in 1.8 informal discovery and have been engaged in extensive negotiations almost continually since that time. As a result of this exchange of information, the Parties agree on some aspects of the allegations, but disagree as to several other aspects, and thus disagree as to whether Settling Defendants have violated Proposition 65. Specifically, the Parties agree that each of the Covered Products contains the Covered Chemical, and that the Settling Defendants did not include Proposition 65 warnings with respect to the Covered Products for some period of time within one year of the filing of the Complaint. The Settling Defendants dispute, however, that the manufacture, packaging, distribution, marketing, sale or use of the Covered Products results in the exposure of individuals in California (or elsewhere) to the Covered Chemical in amounts, if any, that would require a warning under Proposition 65. Settling Defendants contend they began the required applications to change labels prior to Plaintiff's 60 Day Notices in this case. Settling Defendants also assert other affirmative defenses. Settling Defendants contend that they have scientific evidence to demonstrate that any exposure to the Covered Chemical that results from any reasonably anticipated use of the Covered Products, in the words of Section 25249.10(c), "poses no significant risk assuming lifetime exposure at the level in question for substances known to the state to cause cancer, and that the exposure will have no observable effect assuming exposure at one thousand (1000) times the level in question for substances known to the state to

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Plaintiff disputes Settling Defendants' assertions. In support of its position, Plaintiff contends it has evidence to dispute Settling Defendants' contention with respect to the Covered Chemical and Covered Products, and asserts that this evidence also demonstrates that Settling Defendants' evidence with respect to the Covered Chemical and Covered Products does not satisfy Settling Defendant's burden under Section 25249.6. Therefore, in order to avoid prolonged litigation and the waste of private and judicial resources that would arise from prosecuting, defending, and adjudicating the issues of which the Plaintiff and Settling Defendants disagree, the Parties have agreed, subject to the approval of the Court to compromise their disputed claims and defenses, and entered into a settlement agreement, the terms of which are embodied in this Consent Judgment.

No Admissions. Neither the Consent Judgment nor any of its provisions shall be construed as an admission by any Party of any fact, finding, issue of law, or violation of law, including Proposition 65 or any other statute, regulation, or common law requirement related to exposure to the Covered Chemical or other chemicals listed under Proposition 65 from the Covered Products. By executing this Consent Judgment and agreeing to provide the relief and remedies specified herein, Settling Defendants do not admit that this Action is not preempted by Federal law, or that Settling Defendants have committed any violations of Proposition 65, or any other law or legal duty and specifically deny that they have committed any such violations. Settling Defendants maintain that all Covered Products distributed, marketed and/or sold by Settling Defendants in California have at all times been in compliance with Proposition 65. Nothing in this Consent Judgment shall prejudice, waive, or impair any right, remedy, or defense that Plaintiff and Settling Defendants may have in any other or in future legal proceedings unrelated to these proceedings. Settling Defendants reserve all of their rights and defenses with regard to any claim by any person under Proposition 65 or otherwise. Nevertheless, this paragraph shall not diminish or otherwise affect the obligations, responsibilities, waivers, releases, and/or duties provided for under this Consent Judgment.

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these measures with the mutual understanding and expectation that as to such Covered Products, such measures will provide notice so as to mitigate potential individual exposure to the Covered Chemical. Each Settling Defendant is only responsible under this Consent Judgment for measures specifically agreed to by that Party below and has no obligation to ensure compliance by any other Party. Central, Farnam and Wellmark have agreed to the following measures with respect 2.1 to the Covered Products:

In the spirit of settlement and compromise, and in order to promote the public interest,

Settling Defendants have agreed to continue to take certain measures to enhance the safe use of

Covered Products by providing a notice as described hereinafter. The Parties have agreed to

Subject to paragraph 2.2 of this Consent Judgment, Central, Farnam and Wellmark state that they have changed the precautionary statements on the label for the Covered Products, that may be marketed for use in California, to include the following statement:

> NOTICE: This product contains propoxur, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

- Central, Farnam and Wellmark have agreed to take such actions as may be 2.2 necessary to cease their distribution of Covered Products not containing a Proposition 65 warning statement (such as that delineated in Section 2.1) to distributors or retailers in California following notice that this Consent Judgment has been approved and has become a final order of the Court ("Effective Date"); provided, in no event shall said Defendants be deemed in violation of this Consent Judgment or Proposition 65 where Covered Products not containing a Proposition 65 warning statement (such as that delineated in Section 2.1) were distributed or sold by said Defendants before the Effective Date (even if stocked in shelves, sold to consumers, or otherwise within the chain of distribution after the Effective Date.)
- Defendants Petco, Foster & Smith, Petstore, Ralphs, Jeffers, KV, Pet Club, 2.3 Orchard, Pet Food, and Petsmart agree they will remove any and all Covered Products not containing a Proposition 65 warning statement (such as that delineated in Section 2.1) which were

manufactured, sold, distributed, or packaged by Central, Farnam and Wellmark, from sale in California by no later than the Effective Date.

3. MONETARY PAYMENTS.

- 3.1 In settlement of this matter, Settling Defendants collectively have agreed to make the monetary payments totaling \$120,000, as described in paragraphs 3.2 and 3.3 below.
- 3.2 Civil Penalties. Within thirty (30) days following notice of approval and entry of this Consent Judgment by the Court, Settling Defendants shall pay \$80,000 representing Civil Penalties, and shall do so in the form of a check made payable to the Altshuler Berzon LLP Attorney-Client Trust Account, to be delivered to Plaintiff's counsel of record at 177 Post Street, Suite 300, San Francisco, California 94108. This amount shall be allocated between NRDC and the State of California as directed by Health and Safety Code Section 25249.12(c)-(d). NRDC's portion shall be distributed to the Rose Foundation.
- 3.3 Reimbursement of Attorneys Fees and Costs. Within thirty days (30) following notice of approval and entry of this Consent Judgment, Settling Defendants shall pay \$40,000 as reimbursement for the investigation fees and costs, testing costs, expert witness fees, attorneys fees, and other litigation costs and expenses, and shall do so in the form of a check made payable to the Altshuler Berzon LLP Attorney-Client Trust Account, to be delivered to Plaintiff's counsel of record at 177 Post Street, Suite 300, San Francisco, California 94108.

4. WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS.

Maiver And Release Of Claims Against Settling Defendants. As to those matters raised or which could have been raised in this Action, the Complaint, or in Plaintiff's Notices (and without regard to any potential disputes about the adequacy of such Notices), as to Covered Products and Covered Chemical for Central, Farnam and Wellmark and as to the Covered Products as to Defendants, Petco, Foster & Smith, Petstore, Ralphs, Jeffers, KV, Petclub, Orchard, Petfood and Petsmart, and any related actions, Plaintiff, on behalf of itself and (to the extent permitted by law) on behalf of the general public, hereby releases Settling Defendants and waives any claims against Settling Defendants for injunctive relief or damages, penalties, fines, sanctions, mitigation, fees (including fees of attorneys, experts, and others), costs, expenses or

any other sum incurred or claimed, for any claims under Proposition 65 or any related actions arising from the marketing, sale, packaging, distribution or use in California of the Covered Products, including all claims that may arise from the acts relating to the Covered Products and the Covered Chemical in any flea and tick collar manufactured by Central, Farnam or Wellmark. It is expressly understood that this waiver does not apply to flea and tick collars containing propoxur not manufactured, distributed, sold or packaged by Central, Farnam, Wellmark or their subsidiaries or affiliates.

- 4.2 Defendants' Waiver And Release Of Plaintiff. Settling Defendants hereby release Plaintiff from and waive any claims against Plaintiff for injunctive relief or damages, penalties, fines, sanctions, mitigation, fees (including fees of attorneys, experts, and others), costs, expenses, or any other sum incurred or claimed or which could have been claimed for matters related to the Action or in action RG09448605.
- 4.3 Matters Covered By This Consent Judgment/Release of Future Claims. This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between the Plaintiff, acting on behalf of itself and on behalf of the general public in the public interest pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d), and Central, Farnam Wellmark, and the other Settling Defendants, as to all claims arising from Settling Defendants' alleged failure to provide clear, reasonable, and lawful warnings of exposure to the Covered Chemical in Covered Products. Compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment resolves any issues, now and in the future, concerning compliance by the Settling Defendants with existing requirements of Proposition 65 with respect to the Covered Products and the Covered Chemical in any flea and tick collar manufactured by Central, Farnam or Wellmark.
- 4.4 Waiver of Civil Code Section 1542. Subject to Sections 4.1 and 4.3 above, this Consent Judgment is intended as a full settlement and compromise of all claims arising out of or relating to the Plaintiffs' Notices and/or the Action regarding Covered Products, except as set forth herein. No other claim is reserved as between the Parties hereto, and each Party expressly waives any and all rights which it may have under the provisions of Section 1542 of the Civil Code of the State of California, which provides:

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4.5 For purposes of this section 4, the terms "Plaintiff" and "Settling Defendants" are defined as follows. The term "Plaintiff" includes the Plaintiff as defined at paragraph 1.1 above, and also includes its subsidiaries, successors, and assigns and its directors, officers, agents, attorneys, representatives, and employees. The term "Settling Defendants" includes the Settling Defendants, as that term is defined in paragraph 1.2 above, and also includes their corporate affiliates, including any and all corporate parents and subsidiaries and their directors, officers, agents, attorneys, representatives, employees, licensors, heirs, predecessors, successors, and assigns, their suppliers, distributors and customers.

5. ENFORCEMENT OF CONSENT JUDGMENT.

- 5.1 The Parties may, by motion or other application before this Court, and upon notice having been given to all Parties in accordance with paragraph 8 below, unless waived, enforce the terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment and seek whatever fines, costs, penalties, or remedies are provided by law. The prevailing party on any such motion or application shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
- 5.2 The Parties may enforce the terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment pursuant to paragraph 5.1 only after the complaining party has first given 30 days notice to the Party allegedly failing to comply with the terms and conditions of the Consent Judgment and has attempted, in an open and good faith manner, to resolve such party's alleged failure to comply.

6. GOVERNING LAW.

- 6.1 The terms of this Consent Judgment shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California.
- 6.2 The Parties have participated jointly in the preparation of this Consent Judgment and this Consent Judgment is the result of the joint efforts of the Parties. This Consent Judgment was subject to revision and modification by the Parties and has been accepted and approved as to

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its final form by all Parties and their counsel. Accordingly, any uncertainty or ambiguity existing in this Consent Judgment shall not be interpreted against any party as a result of the manner in which this Consent Judgment was prepared. Each Party to this Consent Judgment 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 Consent Judgment and, in this regard, the Parties hereby waive the application of California Civil Code Section 1654.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT. 7.

This Consent Judgment constitutes the sole and entire agreement and understanding between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and any prior discussions, negotiations, commitments, or understandings related thereto, if any, are hereby merged herein and therein. There are no warranties, representations, or other agreements between the Parties. except as expressly set forth herein. No representations, oral or otherwise, express or implied, other than those specifically referred to herein, shall be deemed to exist or bind any of the Parties hereto. No supplementation, modification, waiver, or termination of this Consent Judgment shall be binding unless executed in writing by the Party to be bound thereby. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Consent Judgment shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any of the other provisions hereof, whether or not similar, nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver.

NOTICES. 8.

All notices or correspondence to be given pursuant to this Consent Judgment shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered or sent by first-class, registered, certified mail, overnight courier, and/or via facsimile transmission (with presentation of facsimile transmission confirmation) addressed to the Parties as follows:

For Plaintiff:

Altshuler Berzon LLP Attn: Jonathan Weissglass 1777 Post Street, Suite 200 San Francisco, CA 94108

For Settling Defendants:

Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean LLP Attn: Daniel Rapaport 1111 Broadway, 24th Floor

Oakland, CA 94607

The contacts and/or addresses above may be amended by giving notice to all Parties to this Consent Judgment. COURT APPROVAL. 9. The Court shall either approve or disapprove of this Consent Judgment in its entirety, without alteration, deletion or amendment, unless otherwise so stipulated by the Parties and their counsel. The Parties agree that they will fully support the approval of this Consent Judgment and that they will act in good faith to encourage its approval by the Court. Plaintiff will prepare and file a motion to approve this consent Judgment in full, and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure that it is entered without delay. In the event that the Court declines to approve and order entry of the Consent Judgment without any change whatsoever, this Consent Judgment shall become null and void upon the election of either party and upon written notice to all of the Parties to the Action pursuant to the notice provisions herein (unless the Parties stipulate otherwise, in writing). If the Court enters this Consent Judgment, Plaintiff shall, within 10 working days thereafter, electronically provide or otherwise serve a copy of it and the report required pursuant to 11 Cal. Code Regs. §3004 to/on the California Attorney General's Office. AUTHORIZATION. 10. The undersigned are authorized to execute this Consent Judgment on behalf of their respective Parties and have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this Consent Judgment. 111 111 III111 IIIIII

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IT IS SO ORDERED:

In accordance with the stipulation of Plaintiff and Settling Defendants, the Court hereby incorporates the terms of this Consent Judgment into this Order. If a party violates the provisions of this Consent Judgment, this Court retains jurisdiction over this matter.

Dated: <u>Pec 12, 2010</u>

Judge of the Superior Court

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, Plaintiff, v.

Defendants.

RG09487873 Case No.

CONSENT JUDGMENT WITH SERGEANT'S PET CARE PRODUCTS, INC. AND RELATED RETAILER **DEFENDANTS**

Complex Civil Case

Date: December 10, 2010

Time: 10:00 a.m. Dept.: 20

Judge: Honorable Robert B. Freedman

Action Filed: December 7, 2009

Trial Date: TBD

Reservation No.: R-1117320

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL,

Plaintiff,

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PETCO ANIMAL SUPPLIES STORES, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. RG09487873

CONSENT JUDGMENT WITH SERGEANT'S PET CARE PRODUCTS INC. AND RELATED RETAILER DEFENDANTS

Date: Time: Dept:

Judge: Hon. Robert Freedman Complaint Filed: April 23, 2009

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 On December 2, 2009, Plaintiff Natural Resources Defense Council ("NRDC") filed a complaint (the "Complaint") initiating this action (the "Action") for civil penalties and injunctive relief in the Superior Court for the County of Alameda. The Complaint named several defendants, including Sergeant's Pet Care Products, Inc. ("Sergeant's) and several retailers, and alleged that each had manufactured, distributed, and/or sold flea and tick collars containing the chemical propoxur (the "Products") in California. The Complaint further alleges that under the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, Health and Safety Code section 25249.6, also known as "Proposition 65," businesses must provide persons with a "clear and reasonable warning" before exposing individuals to propoxur, and that the defendants failed to do so.

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1.2 Sergeant's is a corporation that employs more than 10 persons, and at some time relevant to the allegations of the Complaint manufactured Products, and shipped Products for sale in California.

2517-61, issued to Sergeant's by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act ("FIFRA"), 7 U.S.C. § 136 et seq. ("Sergeant's Registered Products"). Registration Number 2517-61 sets forth the language and information that can appear on the label of a Registered Product. EPA has reviewed and approved an amendment to Registration Number 2517-61 that allows the packaging for the Registered Products to carry the following Proposition 65 warning:

NOTICE: This product contains a chemical (o-Isoproxyphenyl methylcarbamate) (propoxur) known to the State of California to cause cancer.

(the "Sergeant's Warning"). Sergeant's asserts that it changed the packages for the Sergeant's Registered Products to include this warning language, and began shipping packaging containing the Sergeant's Warning into California in March 2008.

1.4 Other Products carrying the Sergeant's brand name are covered under FIFRA

Registration Numbers 2724-491 and 2724-493, which are held by Wellmark International, another

defendant to this Action (the "Wellmark Registered Products"). Sergeant's requested that Wellmark

International, as the registrant for Registration Numbers 2724-491 and 2724-493, seek amendment of

its registration to allow Sergeant's to include the Warning on the Wellmark Registered Products. In

December 2009, after it received confirmation that Wellmark International had done so, Sergeant's

began shipping the Wellmark Registered Products with the following Proposition 65 warning:

Notice: This product contains propoxur, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

(the "Wellmark Warning"). Sergeant's asserts that, as of the Effective Date of this Consent Judgment, all Sergeant's Registered Products and Wellmark Registered Products shipped by Sergeant's carry the Sergeant's Warning or the Wellmark Warning.

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- 1.5 Sergeant's asserts that products carrying the "Zema" brand name that were formerly sold in California (the "Zema Products"), were discontinued in December 2008.
- 1.6 Sergeant's Registered Products, Wellmark Registered Products, and Zema Products are hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as the "Covered Products."
- 1.7 Albertsons, Inc., New Albertsons, Inc., PETCO Animal Supplies Stores, Inc., Petsmart, Inc., Petsmart Store Support Group, Inc., Lee's Pet Club, Inc., d/b/a Pet Club Stores, Red Cart Market, Inc., d/b/a Pet Club Stores, and Ralphs Grocery Co. are retailers named as defendants in the Complaint that sold and/or sell Covered Products. For purposes of this Consent Judgment, these defendants, only to the extent they sold and/or sell Covered Products, are referred to collectively as "Retailers."
- 1.8 For purposes of this Consent Judgment only, NRDC, Sergeant's and the Retailers (collectively, the "Parties") stipulate that this Court has jurisdiction over the allegations of violations contained in the Complaint and personal jurisdiction over Sergeant's and the Retailers as to the acts alleged in the Complaint, that venue is proper in the County of Alameda, and that this Court has jurisdiction to enter this Consent Judgment as a full and final resolution of all claims which were or could have been raised against Sergeant's and the Retailers in the Complaint based on the facts alleged therein.
- this Consent Judgment as a full and final settlement of all claims relating to the Covered Products arising from the alleged failure to warn regarding the presence of propoxur in such Covered Products. Sergeant's and the Retailers deny the material factual and legal allegations contained in the Complaint and maintain that all Covered Products they have sold in California and/or shipped for sale in California at all times relevant to the Complaint have been and are in compliance with all laws. Nothing in this Consent Judgment, including Sergeant's and the Retailers' execution of the Consent Judgment and agreement to provide the relief and remedies specified herein, shall be construed as an admission by Sergeant's or the Retailers of any fact, finding, issue of law, or violation of law, nor shall compliance with this Consent Judgment constitute or be construed as an admission by Sergeant's or the Retailers of any fact, finding, conclusion, issue of law, or violation of law, such

being specifically denied by Sergeant's and the Retailers. This Consent Judgment shall not be admissible in any action or proceeding except for proceedings to enforce or modify this Consent Judgment as set forth herein. However, this Paragraph shall not diminish or otherwise affect Sergeant's and the Retailers' obligations, responsibilities and duties to comply with this Consent Judgment.

1.10 The effective date of this Consent Judgment shall be the date on which the Consent Judgment is entered as a judgment by the Superior Court ("Effective Date").

2. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF: PROPOSITION 65 WARNINGS

- 2.1 Sergeant's shall assure that Covered Products manufactured and/or shipped for distribution to or sale in California on or after the Effective Date carry a warning, the language, location, and appearance of which is substantially similar to the Sergeant's Warning or the Wellmark Warning, consistent with Proposition 65 and the requirements of applicable FIFRA registrations issued by the EPA.
- 2.2 Beginning on the Effective Date, Sergeant's agrees that it shall not manufacture, distribute, or sell in California any Product pursuant to a FIFRA registration held by another individual or entity unless such FIFRA registration allows the inclusion of a Proposition 65 warning that is substantially similar in content and form to that set forth in section 2.1 of this Consent Judgment.

3. SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS

- 3.1 Sergeant's shall pay to NRDC the collective sum of \$30,000 as settlement proceeds ("Settlement Proceeds"). Settlement Proceeds shall be made payable to the Altshuler Berzon LLP Attorney-Client Trust Account and delivered to Altshuler Berzon LLP, at 177 Post Street, Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94108, within ten (10) business days after the Effective Date, and shall be applied as follows:
- 3.1.1 <u>Civil Penalty:</u> Sergeant's shall pay civil penalties pursuant to Health & Safety Code section 25249.12 in the amount \$16,292.53. This amount shall be allocated between NRDC and the State of California as directed by Health & Safety Code section 25249.12(c)-(d). NRDC's portion shall be distributed to the Rose Foundation.

3.1.2 Attorneys' Fees and Costs: \$13,703.47 shall be paid to reimburse NRDC for attorneys' fees and costs incurred by NRDC in litigating this matter as to the Covered Products and negotiating this Consent Judgment on behalf of itself and the general public. Sergeant's and the Retailers agree to bear their own attorneys' fees, expenses and costs associated with this Action and with NRDC v. Albertsons, Inc., et al., Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG 09448605.

4. MODIFICATION OF CONSENT JUDGMENT

4.1 This Consent Judgment may be modified by written agreement of the Parties after noticed motion and upon entry of a modified consent judgment by the Court thereon, or upon motion of either Party as provided by law and upon entry of a modified consent judgment by the Court.

Before filing an application with the Court for a modification to this Consent Judgment, the moving Party shall meet and confer with the other Party to determine whether the other Party will consent to the proposed modification, and shall submit any proposed modification to the California Attorney General for comment. If a proposed modification is agreed upon between the Parties, then the Parties will jointly present the modification to the Court by means of a stipulated modification to the Consent Judgment.

4.2 Regulatory Requirements.

Sergeant's shall notify NRDC in the event that a change to any state or federal statute or regulation governing the Covered Products or to the FIFRA registration for any Covered Product requires a change to the language or placement of the warnings required described in sections 1.3 and 1.4. Where such changes are (1) nonmaterial, or (2) are imposed by the EPA but not requested by Sergeant's, the Parties shall stipulate that this Consent Judgment will be modified to correspond to such new requirement. Any other modification of the warnings will be governed by section 4.1.

4.3 Other Settlements.

4.3.1 If NRDC agrees or has agreed in a settlement or judicially entered consent judgment with Wellmark or any other defendant to this Action that allows a Product to be shipped for sale and/or sold in California without a Proposition 65 warning; then the Parties shall stipulate that this Consent Judgment will be modified to correspond to such terms as provided in such other settlement or judicially entered consent judgment.

4.3.2 If NRDC agrees or has agreed in a settlement or judicially entered consent judgment that some or all Products (as sold by other companies) do not require a warning under Proposition 65 (based on the presence of propoxur), or if a court of competent jurisdiction renders a final judgment and the judgment becomes final, that some or all Products (as sold by other companies) do not require a warning for propoxur under Proposition 65, Sergeant's may seek a modification of this Consent Judgment to eliminate its duty to warn.

5. ENFORCEMENT

5.1 NRDC may, after meeting and conferring with Sergeant's and/or the Retailers, by motion or application for an order to show cause before this Court, enforce the terms and conditions contained in this Consent Judgment against Sergeant's and/or the Retailers. In any such proceeding, NRDC may seek whatever fines, costs, penalties, or remedies are provided by law for failure to comply with the Consent Judgment and where said violations of this Consent Judgment constitute subsequent violations of Proposition 65 or other laws independent of the Consent Judgment and/or those alleged in the Complaint, NRDC is not limited to enforcement of the Consent Judgment, but may seek in another action whatever fines, costs, penalties, or remedies are provided for by law for failure to comply with Proposition 65 or other laws. In any action brought by NRDC alleging subsequent violations of Proposition 65 or other laws, Sergeant's and/or the Retailers may assert any and all defenses that are available.

6. AUTHORITY TO STIPULATE TO CONSENT JUDGMENT

Each signatory to this Consent Judgment certifies that he or she is fully authorized by the Party he or she represents to stipulate to this Consent Judgment and to enter into and execute the Consent Judgment on behalf of the Party represented and legally to bind that party.

7. CLAIMS COVERED

This Consent Judgment is a full, final, and binding resolution between the Parties of any violation of Proposition 65 or its implementing regulations or any other statutory or common law claims that have been or could have been asserted in the Complaint against Sergeant's and the Retailers for failure to provide clear and reasonable warnings of exposure to propoxur from the use of the Covered Products, or any other claim that was or could have been raised based on the facts or

ı	conduct alleged in the Complaint as to such Covered Products. As to the Covered Products,
2	compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment resolves any issue now, in the past, and in the
3	future concerning compliance by Sergeant's, its parents, shareholders, divisions, subdivisions,
4	subsidiaries, sister companies, affiliates, cooperative members, licensees, agents and representatives,
5	and the distributors, brokers, wholesalers, retailers, or other entities who sell or formerly
6	manufactured or sold Covered Products; and the officers, directors, employees, attorneys, agents,
7	representatives, predecessors, successors, and assigns of any of them, with the requirements of
8	Proposition 65 and its implementing regulations.
9	8. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION
0	This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to implement the Consent Judgment.
1	9. PROVISION OF NOTICE
2	9.1 When any Party is entitled to receive any notice under this Consent Judgment, the
3	notice shall be sent by overnight courier service to the person and address set forth in this Paragraph.
4	Any party may modify the person and address to whom the notice is to be sent by sending each other
5	party notice by certified mail, return receipt requested. Said change shall take effect for any notice
6	mailed at least five days after the date the return receipt is signed by the party receiving the change.
7	9.2 Notices shall be sent by First Class Mail and/or overnight delivery to the following
8	when required:
9	For NRDC:
20	Jonathan Weissglass, Esq. Altshuler Berzon LLP 177 Post Street, Suite 300
21	San Francisco, CA 94108
22	For Sergeant's and the Retailers: Michèle B. Corash, Esq.
23	Morrison & Foerster LLP 425 Market Street
24	San Francisco, CA 94105
25	Kelly N. Pleas Legal Affairs Manager
26	Sergeant's Pet Care Products, Inc. 2625 South 158th Plaza
27	Omaha NE 68130

10.1 NRDC agrees to comply with the reporting requirements referenced in California Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(f). Pursuant to the regulations promulgated under that section, NRDC shall present this Consent Judgment to the California Attorney General's Office within five (5) days after receipt of all necessary signatures.

- 10.2 The Parties acknowledge that, pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25249.7, a noticed motion must be filed to obtain judicial approval of the Consent Judgment. Accordingly, NRDC shall file a motion for approval of the settlement within a reasonable period of time after the date this agreement is signed by all parties. NRDC also agrees to serve a copy of the noticed motion to approve and enter the Consent Judgment on the California Attorney General's Office, consistent with the requirements set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 11, section 3000(a).
- 10.3 If this Consent Judgment is not approved by the Court, it shall be of no force or effect and cannot be used in any proceeding for any purpose.

11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; MUTUAL DRAFTING

11.1 This Consent Judgment 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.

1	11.2 This Consent Judgment is the result of mutual drafting and no ambiguity found herein
2	shall be construed in favor of or against any party.
3	12. EXECUTION IN COUNTERPARTS
4	The stipulations to this Consent Judgment may be executed in counterparts and by means of
5	facsimile, which taken together shall be deemed to constitute one document.
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