### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

COLONY INSURANCE COMPANY,	)
Plaintiff,	)
v.	) No.
EVANGER'S DOG AND CAT FOOD COMPANY, INC., NUTRIPACK, LLC, PARTY ANIMAL, INC., WENDY BLACK, and NICOLE and GUY MAEL,	) ) ) )
Defendants.	)

### COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND RESCISSION

NOW COMES the Plaintiff, COLONY INSURANCE COMPANY, by and through its attorneys, Cray Huber Horstman Heil and VanAusdal LLC, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2201, et seq., and for its complaint for declaratory judgment against the Defendants EVANGER'S DOG AND CAT FOOD COMPANY, INC., NUTRIPACK, LLC, PARTY ANIMAL, INC., WENDY BLACK, and NICOLE AND GUY MAEL, states as follows:

### I. PARTIES

- 1. COLONY is a Virginia corporation with its principal place of business located in Richmond, Virginia. At all relevant times, COLONY was authorized to do business and was doing business as an insurance company in the state of Illinois, and issued policies of insurance as set forth more fully below.
- 2. Defendant EVANGER'S DOG AND CAT FOOD COMPANY, INC. is an Illinois corporation with its principal place of business located in Wheeling, Cook County,

Illinois. EVANGER'S is the named insured under certain policies of commercial general liability insurance issued by COLONY.

- 3. Defendant NUTRIPACK, LLC is an Illinois limited liability company with its principal place of business located in Markham, Cook County, Illinois. NUTRIPACK has been named along with EVANGER'S in certain lawsuits, as more fully set forth below.
- 4. COLONY'S investigation indicates the members of NUTRIPACK, LLC are citizens of the state of Illinois. Holly Sher and Joel Sher appear to be members of NUTRIPACK, LLC and/or Sher Services Company, Incorporated, the entity listed by the Illinois Secretary of State as the manager of NUTRIPACK, LLC. The Illinois Secretary of State lists Joel A. Sher as the President of Sher Services Company, Incorporated and Holly Sher as its secretary, with both having addresses in Lincolnwood, Cook County, Illinois.
- 5. Defendant PARTY ANIMAL, INC. is a California corporation with its principal place of business located in West Hollywood, California. PARTY ANIMAL has sued EVANGER'S in one of the underlying lawsuits, and is named as a defendant in another of the underlying lawsuits.
- 6. Defendant WENDY BLACK is a citizen of the state of Texas and is the named class representative in one of the underlying lawsuits. WENDY BLACK is joined herein as a nominal defendant. In the event WENDY BLACK agrees in writing to be bound by the outcome of this case, COLONY will voluntarily dismiss her.
- 7. Defendants NICOLE and GUY MAEL are citizens of the state of Washington and are named as the class representatives in one of the underlying lawsuits. NICOLE and GUY MAEL are joined herein as nominal defendants. In the event NICOLE and GUY MAEL agree in writing to be bound by the outcome of this case, COLONY will voluntarily dismiss them.

### II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 8. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. Section 1332 (a)(1) because plaintiff and defendants are citizens of different states and the matter in controversy exceeds the sum or amount of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs.
- 9. Venue is proper under 28 U.S.C. Section 1391(b)(2) and (b)(3) because a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred in this District, and because one or more Defendants are subject to this Court's personal jurisdiction in this District.

### III. THE UNDERLYING LAWSUITS

- 10. On May 15, 2017, PARTY ANIMAL filed suit in the United States District Court for the Central District of California against EVANGER'S and NUTRIPACK (the Party Animal Lawsuit). A true and accurate copy of the complaint in the Party Animal Lawsuit, without exhibits, is attached to this Complaint and incorporated by reference as Exhibit A.
- 11. In general terms, the Party Animal Lawsuit alleges PARTY ANIMAL had an ongoing business relationship with EVANGER'S over the last ten years, and that EVANGER'S manufactured and labeled pet food products to specification for PARTY ANIMAL, which pet food products were in turn sold to PARTY ANIMAL's customers.
- 12. PARTY ANIMAL further alleges it was informed by a Texas retailer in April 2017 that samples of certain dog food sold by PARTY ANIMAL had tested positive for pentobarbital, a barbiturate commonly used for medical purposes. In large doses, it is commonly used to euthanize animals. PARTY ANIMAL alleges that EVANGER'S and/or NUTRIPACK were responsible for the presence of pentobarbital in pet food products which PARTY ANIMAL received from EVANGER'S and then sold or distributed to its customers unknowingly. As a result of the above, PARTY ANIMAL alleges it was forced to initiate a recall.

- 13. On June 6, 2017, WENDY BLACK filed a class action suit in the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, California against EVANGER'S and NUTRIPACK (the Black Lawsuit). A true and accurate copy of the Black Lawsuit, without exhibits, is attached to this Complaint and incorporated by reference as Exhibit B.
- 14. In general terms, WENDY BLACK alleges that EVANGER'S provided private label services to PARTY ANIMAL and that EVANGER'S manufactured, canned, and labeled the PARTY ANIMAL branded pet food under a written contract with PARTY ANIMAL. WENDY BLACK alleges she bought PARTY ANIMAL brand pet food produced by EVANGER'S for her dog in January 2017. On February 1, 2017, BLACK'S dog fell ill. BLACK continued to feed her dog the pet food produced by EVANGER'S in the following weeks and the dog remained ill. It is further alleged that the dog developed diabetes as a result.
- 15. The Black Lawsuit further alleges generally that testing has shown the PARTY ANIMAL pet food produced by EVANGER'S did not contain at least one ingredient advertised to be present in the food. In addition, the Black lawsuit alleges a systematic campaign of false advertising wherein EVANGER'S and PARTY ANIMAL sold low quality, inorganic food stuff and produced pet food products which were falsely represented to be healthy, organic, and free from contamination.
- 16. On June 16, 2017, NICOLE and GUY MAEL filed a class action suit in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (the Mael Lawsuit). A true and accurate copy of the Mael Lawsuit, without exhibits, is attached to this Complaint and incorporated by reference as Exhibit C.
- 17. In general terms the Mael Lawsuit alleges NICOLE and GUY MAEL owned several pets that consumed pet food products manufactured by EVANGER'S. Some of these pets

allegedly became sick and one died. NICOLE and GUY MAEL allege EVANGER'S promoted its pet foods as "human grade" despite knowingly purchasing and utilizing meat marked unsafe for human consumption.

### IV. THE COLONY POLICIES

- 18. COLONY issued Policy NO. 103 GL 0010808-00 to EVANGER'S as named insured for the period August 15, 2015, to August 15, 2016 (the 2015-16 Policy). The 2015-16 Policy provided commercial general liability coverage subject to certain terms and provisions. A true and correct copy of the 2015-16 Policy is attached as Exhibit D.
- 19. COLONY issued Policy No. 103 GL 0010808-01 to EVANGER'S as named insured for the period August 15, 2016, to August 15, 2017 (the 2016-17 Policy). The 2016-17 Policy provided commercial general liability coverage subject to certain terms and provisions. A true and correct copy of the 2016-17 policy is attached as Exhibit E.
- 20. The Policies contain the following insuring agreement for Coverage A Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability:

# COVERAGE A - BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY

### 1. Insuring Agreement

a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any "occurrence" and settle any claim or "suit" that may result...

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- **b.** This insurance applies to "bodily injury" and "property damage" only if:
  - (1) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" is caused by an "occurrence" that takes place in the "coverage territory";
  - (2) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs during the policy period; and
  - (3) Prior to the policy period, no insured listed under Paragraph

    1. of Section II Who Is An Insured and no "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim, knew that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" had occurred, in whole or in part. If such a listed insured or authorized "employee" knew, prior to the policy period, that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurred, then any continuation, change or resumption of such "bodily injury" or "property damage" during or after the policy period will be deemed to have been known prior to the policy period.
- 21. The Policies contain the following exclusions under Coverage A Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability:

#### **Exclusions:**

[This insurance does not apply to:]

### a. Expected Or Intended Injury

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" expected or intended from the standpoint of the insured. This exclusion does not apply to "bodily injury" resulting from the use of reasonable force to protect persons or property.

### **b.** Contractual Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the insured is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages:

- (1) That the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement; or
- (2) Assumed in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract", provided the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs subsequent to the execution of the contract or agreement . . .

### n. Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property

Damages claimed for any loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others for the loss of use, withdrawal, recall, inspection, repair, replacement, adjustment, removal or disposal of:

- (1) "Your product";
- (2) "Your work"; or
- (3) "Impaired property";

if such product, work, or property is withdrawn or recalled from the market or from use by any person or organization because of a known or suspected defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in it.

22. In Section II – Who Is An Insured, the Policies state as follows:

No person or organization is an insured with respect to the conduct of any current or past partnership, joint venture or limited liability company that is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations.

- 23. The Policies contain the following relevant definitions:
  - **3.** "Bodily injury" means bodily injury, sickness or disease sustained by a person, including death resulting from any of these at any time.
  - **13.** "Occurrence" means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions.
  - **14.** "Personal and advertising injury" means injury, including consequential "bodily injury", arising out of one or more of the following offenses:
    - **a.** False arrest, detention or imprisonment;
    - **b.** Malicious prosecution;
    - **c.** The wrongful eviction from, wrongful entry into, or invasion of the right of private occupancy of a room, dwelling or premises that a person occupies, committed by or on behalf of its owner, landlord or lessor;
    - **d.** Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that slanders or libels a person or organization or

disparages a person's or organization's goods, products or services;

- **e.** Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that violates a person's right of privacy;
- **f.** The use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement"; or
- **g.** Infringing upon another's copyright, trade dress or slogan in your "advertisement".

### **16**. "Products-completed operations hazard":

- **a.** Includes all "bodily injury" and "property damage" occurring away from premises you own or rent and arising out of "your product" or "your work" except:
  - (1) Products that are still in your physical possession . . .
- **b.** Does not include "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (1) The transportation of property, unless the injury or damage arises out of a condition in or on a vehicle not owned or operated by you, and that condition was created by the "loading or unloading" of that vehicle by any insured;
  - (2) The existence of tools, uninstalled equipment or abandoned or unused materials; or
  - (3) Products or operations for which the classification, listed in the Declarations or in a policy Schedule, states that products completed operations are subject to the General Aggregate Limit.

### **17.** "Property damage" means:

- **a.** Physical injury to tangible property, including all resulting loss of use of that property. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the physical injury that caused it; or
- **b.** Loss of use of tangible property that is not physically injured. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the "occurrence" that caused it.

#### **21**. "Your product":

**a.** Means:

- (1) Any goods or products, other than real property, manufactured, sold, handled, distributed or disposed of by:
  - (a) You;
  - (b) Others trading under your name; or
  - (c) A person or organization whose business or assets you have acquired; and
- (2) Containers (other than vehicles), materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such goods or products.

#### **b**. Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your product"; and
- (2) The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions...
- 24. The Policies contain an endorsement titled, "Exclusion Personal and Advertising Injury." This endorsement states as follows:

# THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

### **EXCLUSION - PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART.

COVERAGE B (Section I) does not apply and none of the references to it in the Coverage Part apply.

25. The Policies contain an endorsement titled, "Exclusion – Products-Completed Operations Hazard." This endorsement states as follows:

## THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## EXCLUSION - PRODUCTS - COMPLETED OPERATIONS HAZARD

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

#### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" included within the "products – completed operations hazard".

26. On or about August 17, 2015, in applying for coverage to COLONY, EVANGER'S, through its vice president, Joel Sher, answered "no" to the following questions in the application:

DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS (TEN IN R.I.), HAS ANY APPLICANT BEEN INDICTED FOR OR CONVICTED OF ANY DEGREE OF THE CRIME OF FRAUD, BRIBERY, ARSON OR ANY OTHER ARSON-RELATED CRIME IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OR ANY OTHER PROPERTY?

#### PRODUCTS UNDER LABEL OF OTHERS?

- 27. The representations made by EVANGER'S, as reflected in its answers to the questions quoted in the preceding paragraph, were false and were made with intent to deceive COLONY.
- 28. Alternatively, EVANGER'S misrepresentations, as reflected in its answers to the questions quoted in paragraph 26, materially affected the acceptance of the risk by COLONY, in that COLONY would not have issued the Policies had it known the truth of the representations made by EVANGER'S.
- 29. Pursuant to 215 ILCS Section 5/154 (West 2017) and principles of common law and equity, the Policies should be ordered rescinded by the Court.
- 30. COLONY warrants that, upon rescission of the Policies, COLONY is prepared to refund the premiums paid by EVANGER'S for the Policies.

### V. BASIS FOR RELIEF

- 31. COLONY owes no duty to defend or indemnify EVANGER'S or NUTRIPACK against the Party Animal Lawsuit, the Black Lawsuit or the Mael Lawsuit (the Underlying Lawsuits) under the Policies for one or more of the following reasons:
  - a. There is no coverage to the extent the Underlying Lawsuits seek equitable relief or other non-monetary damages, including but not limited to restitution, declaratory, and injunctive relief;
  - b. There is no coverage for the attorney's fees sought in the Underlying Lawsuits as they do not constitute "damages because of 'bodily injury' or 'property damage'" within the meaning of the Policies;
  - c. There is no coverage to the extent the Underlying Lawsuits do not seek recovery of "bodily injury" or "property damage" as defined in the Policies;
  - d. The claims alleged in the Underlying Lawsuits do not constitute an accidental "occurrence" as that term is defined and used in the Policies;
  - e. There is no coverage for the Underlying Lawsuits to the extent "bodily injury" or "property damage," if any, did not take place during the Policy period of one or both of the Policies;
  - f. There is no coverage to the extent one or more employees of EVANGER'S and/or NUTRIPACK who were authorized to give or receive notice of an occurrence or claim, knew prior to the inception of one or both of the Policies that "bodily injury" or "property damage," if any, had occurred;
  - g. There is no coverage to the extent there was a known loss or loss-inprogress at the inception date of one or more of the Policies;
  - h. One or more of the exclusions contained in the Policies apply to bar coverage, if any were otherwise present, for the Underlying Lawsuits including without limitation the following exclusions:

exclusion (a) (Expected Or Intended Injury);

exclusion (b) (Contractual Liability); and

exclusion (n) (Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property);

- i. There is no coverage for the Underlying Lawsuits to the extent they allege "personal and advertising injury" as defined in the Policies, because any such coverage is expressly excluded by the "Exclusion Personal and Advertising Injury" endorsement contained in the Policies;
- j. There is no coverage for the Underlying Lawsuits to the extent they allege "bodily injury" or "property damage" falling within the "products-completed operations hazard" as defined in the Policies, because any such coverage is expressly excluded by the "Exclusion Products-Completed Operations Hazard" endorsement contained in the Policies, and because EVANGER'S specifically requested and received a quotation for products coverage for the Policy period August 15, 2016, to August 15, 2017, and expressly declined such coverage in a letter dated August 15, 2016, signed by Joel Sher;
- k. There is no coverage for NUTRIPACK, LLC because it is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations of the Policies;
- 1. There is no coverage to the extent the Underlying Lawsuits seek punitive damages which are not covered as a matter of law and/or public policy;
- m. EVANGER'S made one more material misrepresentations in its August, 2015, application for insurance, including but not limited to answering "no" to the question: "Products under label of others?" and the question "During the last five years…has any applicant been indicted for or convicted of any degree of the crime of fraud, bribery, arson or any other arson related crime in connection with this or any other property?"
- 32. The above contentions of COLONY are, on information and belief, denied by the Defendants.
- 33. An actual controversy exists between the parties, and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2201, et seq., this Court is empowered to declare the rights and obligations of the parties.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff COLONY INSURANCE COMPANY prays that this Court grant judgment in its favor, finding and declaring as follows:

a. That COLONY has no duty to defend EVANGER'S DOG AND CAT FOOD COMPANY, INC. or NUTRIPACK, LLC against the Party Animal lawsuit, the Black lawsuit, or the Mael lawsuit;

- b. That COLONY has no duty to indemnify EVANGER'S DOG AND CAT FOOD COMPANY, INC. or NUTRIPACK, LLC against the Party Animal lawsuit, the Black lawsuit, or the Mael lawsuit;
- c. That COLONY has no obligations whatsoever to PARTY ANIMAL, INC., WENDY BLACK, or NICOLE and GUY MAEL;
- d. That the COLONY Policies are rescinded, void *ab initio*, and of no further force and effect; and
- f. That this Honorable Court grant COLONY such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper under all the facts and circumstances.

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By: <u>/s/ Jeffrey A. Siderius</u> Jeffrey A. Siderius

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# **EXHIBIT A**

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 Breach of Oral Contract v. 14 EVANGER'S DOG AND CAT FOOD 3. Breach of the Implied CO., INC., an Illinois Corporation; NUTRIPACK, LLC, an Illinois Limited Liability Company; and DOES Covenant of Good Faith and 15 Fair Dealing 16 4. Fraud 1 through 100, inclusive, 5. Negligent Misrepresentation 6. Breach of Implied Warranty 17 Defendants. of Merchantability and Fitness 18 for a Particular Purpose 7. Breach of Express Warranties 19 8. Implied Indemnity 20 DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL 21 22 23 COMPLAINT 24 Party Animal Inc. ("Plaintiff") complains and alleges as follows: 25 **PARTIES** 26 1. Plaintiff is incorporated under the laws of the State of California, with its principal place of business in West Hollywood, California. Plaintiff supplies pet 27 28 food to retailers throughout the United States. **EXHIBIT** COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

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- Defendant Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Co., Inc. ("Evanger's") is 2 incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois, with its principal place of business in Wheeling, Illinois. Evanger's is engaged in the business of manufacturing and selling pet food under its own brand names, as well as manufacturing pet food to specification for other companies, including Plaintiff.
  - 3. Defendant Nutripack, LLC ("Nutripack") is a limited liability company organized and operating under the laws of the State of Illinois, with its principal place of business in Markham, Illinois. Nutripack is engaged in the business of manufacturing and selling pet food under its own brand names, as well as manufacturing pet food to specification for other companies, including Plaintiff.
- Plaintiff has had an ongoing business relationship with Evanger's for 4. 12 approximately ten (10) years. In February 2017, Plaintiff started receiving invoices from Nutripack instead of Evanger's. Plaintiff's representative spoke to Holly Sher (a representative of both Evanger's and Nutripack) by phone in early April 2017 and asked why the invoices recently changed to reflect Nutripack and to whom payment should be made. Ms. Sher stated that they were afraid of getting sued because of the recent recalls, and they were taking money out of Evanger's. She also stated that they did not want to receive any money into Evanger's and would instead run all operations under Nutripack.
  - 5. Evanger's and Nutripack are collectively referred to herein as "Defendants." At all times mentioned herein, each of the Defendants were the agents, servants, alter egos, employees, employers, masters, principals and/or associates of each other, and, as such, were acting within the time, place, purpose, and scope of said agency, service, employment, partnership and/or association. In addition, Defendants worked together to defund Evanger's and move its assets into Nutripack in an effort to avoid liability, as stated by Ms. Sher in April 2017.
  - 6. The true names, identities, or capacities, whether individual, associate, corporate, or otherwise, of defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each

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DOE in between, are unknown to Plaintiff at this time, and Plaintiff therefore sues said defendants by such fictitious names. When the true names, identities, capacities, or participation of such fictitiously designated defendants are ascertained, Plaintiff will ask leave of Court to amend the Complaint to insert said names, identities, or capacities, together with the proper charging allegations. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each of the defendants sued herein as a DOE is responsible in some manner for the events and happenings herein referred to, thereby legally causing the damages to Plaintiff as hereinafter set forth.

7. At all times mentioned herein, each of the defendants sued herein was the agent, servant, alter ego, employee, employer, master, principal and/or associate of each other and of his/her/its co-defendants, and, as such, was acting within the time, place, purpose, and scope of said agency, service, employment, partnership and/or association.

### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 8. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of all claims asserted herein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a)(1) in that it is a civil action between citizens of different states in which the amount in controversy exceeds the sum of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs.
- 9. Venue for this civil action is properly laid in this judicial district pursuant to, *inter alia*, 28 U.S.C. 1391(b)(2), in that a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claims for relief asserted herein occurred in this judicial district.

### **COMMON ALLEGATIONS**

- 10. Over the last ten (10) years Plaintiff had an ongoing business relationship with Defendants under which Plaintiff purchased pet food from Defendants and distributed it to various customers throughout the United States.
- 11. At all times Defendants represented and warranted that the pet food products sold to Plaintiff were fit for animal consumption.

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http://ktla.com/2017/04/28/california-based-company-recalls-dog-food-that-1 2 may-contain-euthanasia-drug/ 3 http://pets.webmd.com/dogs/news/20170428/dog-food-recalled-euthanasia-4 drug 5 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION 6 (Breach of Written Contract - Against Defendants and 7 DOES 1 through 100, inclusive) 8 19. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 20. 10 On or about July 27, 2015, Plaintiff entered into a written contract with 11 Defendants to purchase 394 cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Beef & Turkey 12 dog food (Lot #0136E15204 04, best by July 2019). The cans were to be fit for 13 pet/animal consumption and unadulterated. 14 21. On or about August 27, 2015, Plaintiff entered into a written contract with Defendants to purchase 389 cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Chicken & 15 Beef dog food (Lot #0134E15 237 13, best by August 2019). The cans were to be fit 17 for pet/animal consumption and unadulterated. 18 22. On or about April 13, 2017, Plaintiff was informed that samples of these products were sent to a lab, and that they tested positive for pentobarbital. 19 23. 20 Plaintiff performed its part of the agreement by paying for the products. Defendants breached their part of the agreement by supplying cans that 24. 21 contained pentobarbital, which is neither fit for pet/animal consumption nor 22 unadulterated. 23 24 25. Plaintiff has suffered damage from Defendants' breach. Given that 25 Defendants shipped pet food that was contaminated with pentobarbital, Plaintiff has 26 been required to recall products manufactured by Defendants. In addition to the loss 27 relating to the products it cannot sell and costs associated with the recall, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its commercial reputation. This damage to its 28

reputation has led to a significant loss of retailers and consumers. Plaintiff's 1 2 monetary damages exceed \$20,000,000. 3 SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION 4 (Breach of Oral Contract - Against Defendants and 5 DOES 1 through 100, inclusive) 26. 6 Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 8 27. On or about July 27, 2015, Plaintiff entered into an oral contract with Defendants to purchase unadulterated pet food fit for pet/animal consumption. 10 28. On or about August 27, 2015, Plaintiff entered into an oral contract with Defendants to purchase unadulterated pet food fit for pet/animal consumption. 11 12 29. On or about April 13, 2017, Plaintiff was informed that samples of these 13 products were sent to a lab, and that they tested positive for pentobarbital. 14 30. Plaintiff performed its part of the agreement by paying for the products. 15 31. Defendants breached their part of the agreement by supplying cans that contained pentobarbital, which is neither fit for pet/animal consumption nor 16 17 unadulterated. 18 32. Plaintiff has suffered damage from Defendants' breach. Given that Defendants shipped pet food that was contaminated with pentobarbital, Plaintiff has 20 been required to recall products manufactured by Defendants. In addition to the loss 21 relating to the products it cannot sell and costs associated with the recall, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its commercial reputation. This damage to its 22 23 reputation has led to a significant loss of retailers and consumers. Plaintiff's monetary damages exceed \$20,000,000. 24 25 26 27 28

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### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of the Implied Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing – Against Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 33. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 34. Plaintiff and Defendants have had an ongoing business relationship for approximately ten (10) years.
- 35. On or about July 27, 2015, Plaintiff entered into a written contract with Defendants to purchase 394 cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Beef & Turkey dog food (Lot #0136E15204 04, best by July 2019). The cans were to be fit for pet/animal consumption and unadulterated.
- 36. On or about August 27, 2015, Plaintiff entered into a written contract with Defendants to purchase 389 cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Chicken & Beef dog food (Lot #0134E15 237 13, best by August 2019). The cans were to be fit for pet/animal consumption and unadulterated.
- 37. On or about April 13, 2017, Plaintiff was informed that samples of these products were sent to a lab, and that they tested positive for pentobarbital.
- 38. In every contract, there is an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. Defendants breached this covenant by producing products which were not fit for pet/animal consumption and adulterated.
- 39. Plaintiff has suffered damage from Defendants' breach. Given that Defendants shipped pet food that was contaminated with pentobarbital, Plaintiff has been required to recall products manufactured by Defendants. In addition to the loss relating to the products it cannot sell and costs associated with the recall, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its commercial reputation. This damage to its reputation has led to a significant loss of retailers and consumers. Plaintiff's monetary damages exceed \$20,000,000.

### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION 1 2 (Fraud – Against Defendants and 3 DOES 1 through 100, inclusive) 40. 4 Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth 5 herein. б 41 In July and August 2015, Defendants' Office Manager, Cynthia Stoner, 7 represented that the cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Beef & Turkey dog food 8 (Lot #0136E15204 04, best by July 2019) sold on or about July 27, 2015 and the cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Chicken & Beef dog food (Lot #0134E15 237 10 13, best by August 2019) sold on or about August 27, 2015 were fit for pet/animal 11 consumption and USDA certified organic by Oregon Tilth. 12 Since these products tested positive for pentobarbital, they were not fit 42. 13 for pet/animal consumption and the representation was false. Defendants knew the representation was false and intended to deceive Plaintiff. Plaintiff justifiably relied 14 on the representation and purchased these products, believing them to be fit for 15 16 pet/animal consumption. 17 43. Plaintiff has suffered damage from Defendants' fraud. Given that Defendants shipped pet food that was contaminated with pentobarbital, Plaintiff has 18 19 been required to recall products manufactured by Defendants. In addition to the loss 20 relating to the products it cannot sell and costs associated with the recall, Plaintiff has 21 suffered extensive damage to its commercial reputation. This damage to its 22 reputation has led to a significant loss of retailers and consumers. Plaintiff's 23 monetary damages exceed \$20,000,000. 24 FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION 25 (Negligent Misrepresentation - Against Defendants and 26 DOES 1 through 100, inclusive) 27 44. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth 28 herein. COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

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- 46. Defendants made such representations without reasonable grounds for believing them to be true and with the intent to induce Plaintiff to purchase the products. In reliance on Defendants' representation, Plaintiff purchased these products. Since these products tested positive for pentobarbital, they were not fit for pet/animal consumption and the representation was false.
- 47. Plaintiff has suffered damage from Defendants' misrepresentation. Given that Defendants shipped pet food that was contaminated with pentobarbital, Plaintiff has been required to recall products manufactured by Defendants. In addition to the loss relating to the products it cannot sell and costs associated with the recall, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its commercial reputation. This damage to its reputation has led to a significant loss of retailers and consumers. Plaintiff's monetary damages exceed \$20,000,000.

### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of Implied Warranty of Merchantability and Fitness for a Particular Purpose – Against Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 48. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 49. Plaintiff has done business with Defendants for approximately ten (10) years. Defendants know that Plaintiff is in the business of selling pet food.
- 50. Defendants were aware that the products they manufactured for Plaintiff must be fit for Plaintiff's purpose of supplying them for ultimate consumption by pets/animals.

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(Breach of Express Warranties - Against Defendants and

- Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth
- 54. Defendants expressly warranted that the cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Beef & Turkey dog food (Lot #0136E15204 04, best by July 2019) sold on or about July 27, 2015 were fit for pet/animal consumption.
- 55. Defendants expressly warranted that the cases of 13-ounce-cans of Cocolicious Chicken & Beef dog food (Lot #0134E15 237 13, best by August 2019) sold on or about August 27, 2015 were fit for pet/animal consumption.
- 56. Plaintiff purchased these products from Defendants because they were represented to be fit for pet/animal consumption.

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- 57. The express warranties were breached. Since these products tested positive for pentobarbital, they were not fit for pet/animal consumption and the description was false.
- 58. Plaintiff has suffered damage from Defendants' breach. Given that Defendants shipped pet food that was contaminated with pentobarbital, Plaintiff has been required to recall products manufactured by Defendants. In addition to the loss relating to the products it cannot sell and costs associated with the recall, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its commercial reputation. This damage to its reputation has led to a significant loss of retailers and consumers. Plaintiff's monetary damages exceed \$20,000,000.

### EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

### (Implied Indemnity - Against Defendants and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 59. Plaintiff incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 60. On or about April 13, 2017, a retailer in Texas notified Plaintiff that their customer had presented samples of Plaintiff's 13-ounce-can of Cocolicious Beef & Turkey dog food (Lot #0136E15204 04, best by July 2019) and 13-ounce-can of Cocolicious Chicken & Beef dog food (Lot #0134E15 237 13, best by August 20 2019) to a testing lab, and that the results had tested positive for pentobarbital.
  - 61. Given that Defendants shipped pet food that was contaminated with pentobarbital, Plaintiff has been required to recall products received from Defendants. Plaintiff has been notified by retailers that they want refunds for both recalled and non-recalled products. Plaintiff has also been notified by consumers that they want Plaintiff to pay for their veterinarian bills.
- 62. Plaintiff is entitled to be indemnified by Defendants, and each of them, for any liability that Plaintiff incurs as a result of the contamination, including, but 28 not limited to, the costs associated with the recall, any settlement amounts.

judgments, attorneys' fees, costs of suits, and such other and further relief as this 1 2 Court may deem appropriate. 3 PRAYER FOR RELIEF WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against Defendants, and each of 4 5 them, as follows: 1. For damages according to proof; б 7 2. For punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial: 3. For pre- and post-judgment interest; 8 9 4. For costs of suit herein incurred; 5. For reasonable attorneys' fees; and, 10 6. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper. 11 12 13 Dated: May 5, 2017 BORDIN MARTORELL LLP 14 15 By: /s/ Eduardo Martorell 16 Eduardo Martorell Megan Atkinson 17 Attorneys for Plaintiff PARTY ANIMAL, INC. 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** Plaintiff hereby demands a jury trial on all issues triable of right by jury. Dated: May 5, 2017 **BORDIN MARTORELL LLP** By: /s/ Eduardo Martorell Eduardo Martorell Megan Atkinson Attorneys for Plaintiff PARTY ANIMAL, INC. COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

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# **EXHIBIT B**

Superior Court Of California County Of Los Angeles Jane M. Braugh, Bar No. 214425 1 JUN 06 2017 SICO, HOELSCHER, HARRIS & BRAUGH LLP 2 225 S. Lake Avenue, Suite 300 Sherri R. Caner, Executive Officer/Clerk Pasadena, CA 91101 3 Phone: (626) 432-5476 Fax: (626) 432-5477 4 5 Roger S. Braugh, Jr., Pro Hac Vice Pending SICO, HOELSCHER, HARRIS & BRAUGH LLP 6 802 N. Carancahua, Suite 900 Corpus Christi, Texas 78401 7 Phone: 361-653-3300 Fax: 361-653-3333 8 9 Attorneys for Plaintiffs Sico, Hoelscher, Herris & Braugh, LLP, 225 South Lake Avenue, Suite 300 Pacadena, California 91104 (628) 432-5478 10 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT 11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CALIFORNIA, CENTRAL DISTRICT 12 BC 6 6 4 1 3 8 WENDY BLACK, an individual, on behalf of ) 13 Case No. herself and all others similarly situated; 14 **CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT** Plaintiffs, 15 1. BREACH OF IMPLIED VS. WARRANTY OF 16 MERCHANTIBILITY ANIMAL, INC., a California 17 2. BREACH OF EXPRESS Corporation; EVANGER'S DOG AND CAT WARRANTY 18 FOOD COMPANY. INC., an Illinois 3. NEGLIGENCE Corporation; and DOES 1 THROUGH 500. 4. NEGLIGENT 19 **INCLUSIVE** MISREPRESENTATION/OMISSION 5. STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY 20 6. VIOLATION OF THE CONSUMER Defendants. 21 LEGAL REMEDIES ACT (CAL. CIVIL CODE §§1750 et seq CIT/CASE: 7. VIOLATION OF UNFAIR TO COMPETITION LAW (CAL. BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL 22 23 CODE §§17200 et语硕于 吴 24 BC654108 8. VIOLATION OF FALSE 25 ADVERTISING LAW/UNFAIR COMPETITION LAW (CAL. 26 13 ##5.88 88.88 **EXHIBIT** CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

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) BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL ) CODE §§17500 et seq.) ) 9. UNJUST ENRICHMENT ) DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff Wendy Black, and all others similarly situated, are informed and believe, and on that basis allege as follows:

### I. NATURE OF ACTION

- 1.1 The full extent of the facts linking the fictitiously designated Defendants with this cause of action, and/or the true names and/or capacities, whether individual, plural, corporate, partnership, associate, or otherwise, of Defendants DOE 1 through DOE 500, are unknown to Plaintiffs. Therefore, Plaintiffs sue said Defendants by such fictitious names.
- 1.2 Plaintiffs are informed, believe, and allege that the conduct, acts, or omissions of each of the Defendants designated as a DOE were negligent, wanton, reckless, tortious, and/or strictly liable in such a manner so as to be legally responsible in some manner for the events and happenings herein referred to, and that such conduct, acts, omissions, mislabeled and/or defective product proximately caused the injuries and damages complained of herein. Such Defendants may include, based on discovery of additional facts, for example, suppliers and distributors of falsely-branded and labeled "organic" pet foods. Plaintiffs will seek leave of Court to amend this complaint to show the true names and capacities of such fictitiously named Defendants after the same have been ascertained.

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Party Animal organic brand dog food (hereinafter "Party Animal") in the four years prior to the filing of this complaint. Party Animal canned pet food contains substances that are toxic to animals and that have resulted in the serious illness and deaths of pets around the United States of America. Party Animal also is mislabeled as "organic" and mislabeled as to its "healthy" ingredients, such as fruits and vegetables, and simply does not contain the wholesome substances that it purports to contain.

### II. PARTIES

- 2.1 Defendant Party Animal, Inc. ("Party Animal") manufactures, distributes, markets, and sells pet foods, including Party Animal Organic brand dog food. It is a California corporation, with its principal place of business at 8491 W Sunset Blvd. #370 West Hollywood, CA 90069. It does business in California and throughout the United States of America. Party Animal has sold dog food since 2006. It has spent millions of dollars promoting trust and confidence among consumers in its pet food products. It holds itself out to the public as a manufacturer of safe, nutritious, organic and high-quality grain free pet food containing meat, fruits, vegetables, vitamins and minerals.
- 2.2 Defendant, Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc., ("Evanger's") is an Illinois Corporation with its principal place of business at 221 S. Wheeling Rd., Wheeling, IL 60090. Evanger's manufactures, distributes, markets, and sells pet foods, including Party Animal Organic brand dog food. It does business in California throughout the United States of America and in international markets. Evanger's has sold dog food since 1935. It has spent millions of dollars promoting trust and confidence among

consumers in its pet food products. It holds itself out to the public as a manufacturer of "the finest natural pet food company in the United States", "wholesome and nutritious" and "free of harmful additives and preservatives". Evanger's also provides private label services to companies such as Party Animal in both the domestic (U.S.) market and the international market. Evanger's did in fact manufacture, can and label Party Animal branded pet food under a written contract with Party Animal, Inc., which was performable in whole or part in Los Angeles County, California. Evanger's regularly, systematically and continuously does business in the state of California.

2.3 Plaintiff, Wendy Black is a resident of San Antonio, Texas.

### III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 3.1 This class action is brought pursuant to the California Code of Civil Procedure section 382. The damages and restitution sought by Plaintiffs exceed the minimal jurisdiction limit of the Superior Court and will be established according to proof at trial.
- 3.2 This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to the California Constitution, Article VI, Section 10, which grants the Superior Court "original jurisdiction in all causes except those given by statute to other courts." The statutes under which this action is brought do not specify any other basis for jurisdiction.
- 3.3 At all material times Defendant Party Animal was and is authorized to do business in the State of California, has continuously and systematically conducted business on a regular basis in the State of California, has purposefully availed itself of the privileges and benefits of conducting business in California, and has designated Van

Gerard Dichoso, 1880 Century Park East #200, Los Angeles, California 90067 as its registered agent for service of process. Therefore, the Court can exercise personal jurisdiction over Party Animal.

- 3.4 At all material times, Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc., was an Illinois Corporation having its principle place of business in Illinois. Evanger's provides private label services to companies such as Party Animal in both the domestic (U.S.) market and the international market. Evanger's did in fact manufacture, can and label Party Animal branded pet food under a written contract with Party Animal, Inc., which was performable in whole or part in Los Angeles County, California. Evanger's regularly, systematically and continuously does business in the state of California, has purposefully availed itself of the privileges and benefits of conducting business in California, and has designated Holly N. Sher as its registered agent for service of process at 221 S. Wheeling Rd., Wheeling, IL 60090.
- 3.5 Venue is proper in the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, Central District, under California Code of Civil Procedure §395(a), as the county where at least one Defendant resides or has its principal executive office.

### IV. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

4.1 All allegations in this complaint are based on information and belief that they will have evidentiary support, after a reasonable opportunity for further investigation or discovery. Whenever allegations in this complaint are contrary or inconsistent, such allegations shall be deemed to be alleged in the alternative.

4.2	Plaintiff, Wendy Black,	a consumer, is a	pet owner who	also participates	ir
pet rescue a	nd fostering animals.			.*	

- 4.3 Ms. Black was fostering a stray miniature Schnauzer named Blanca that had been rescued in December 2016.
- 4.4 In December 2016, Ms. Black took Blanca to the vet, for grooming and updates on all her healthcare needs. Blanca had medical tests performed indicating, among other things, that she was not diabetic and had normal blood sugar levels.
- 4.5 In mid January 2017, Ms. Black purchased and began feeding Blanca Party Animal branded foods. She initially purchased six cans of Party Animal "Cocolicious", three cans of Party Animal Chicken/Beef and three cans of Party Animal Beef/Turkey. Ms. Black fed these products to Blanca during January 2017.
- 4.6 On January 31, 2017 Ms. Black bought two cases of Party Animal Cocolicious, one Chicken/Beef and one Beef/Turkey. She also got two cans of Party Animal Chillin Chicken and Blazin' Beef.
- 4.7 By February 1, 2017 Blanca was lethargic. By February 2, 2017 she was very lethargic, sleeping all the time and did not want to stand up at all. Early morning Friday, February 3rd she would not eat, was vomiting, shivering uncontrollably, sweating/panting, appeared dizzy and weak and could barely walk. She was off balance and was falling down.
- 4.8 Ms. Black rushed Blanca to vet where she was put on a IV fluids, and it was thought she was going to die. The vet stabilized her and was able to get her to eat a tiny bit of canned Royal Canin later that evening.

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4.9	Ms. Black took Blanca home that evening, because the vet did not war
her unattend	ded overnight. Ms. Black observed her overnight and returned her the nex
morning for	more IV fluids and injections. Improvement was slow. Blanca ate a tiny b
more Royal	Canin the next day. The Royal Canin was fed after she was released from
the vet the a	afternoon of Feb. 4, 2017.

- 4.10 The vet X-rayed Blanca's heart to see if there were complications and also X-rayed her back to see if something was wrong because she was exhibiting pain. The bill for the visit was \$793.00.
- 4.11 Blanca was up and down over the next two weeks. It was noted that Blanca would have a few bad days and then a few ok days. Her medical status was like a roller coaster, which, unknown to Ms. Black at the time, correlated to the cans of food she was being fed.
- 4.12 By March 1, 2017, Blanca was going downhill, and on March 2, 2017 she felt horrible all day, and uncontrollably defecated in her crate that night.
- 4.13 On March 3, 2017, Blanca threw up a lot of watery vomit, and it had a foul odor. The Party Animal Cocolicious Beef and Turkey canned food is the last she had eaten and it was the last can in the case Ms. Black bought. Ms. Black kept half of the Cocolicious Beef and Turkey in the freezer, Lot # 0136E15204 04 ("best by July 2019").
- 4.14 Friday evening, March 3, 2017, Ms. Black skipped her regular feeding time at 5:00 p.m. and at 10:00 p.m. gave Blanca a half of serving of (frozen) raw Small Batch brand Beef. Blanca has been on that food ever since and is eating normally two times a day. Blanca was feeling much better than when she was sick. Since

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discontinuing feeding Cocolicious Beef and Turkey and other products. Blanca had energy and was like a different dog.

- 4.15 Having previously been cleared of diabetes or blood sugar related illnesses in December 2016, Blanca's February 3, 2017 blood work showed her sugar was slightly elevated, and she was diagnosed as diabetic as of April 13, 2017, with a resulting vet bill of \$839.00. Plaintiff alleges and contends that sub condition is a result of damage to Blanca's internal organs caused by Party Animal adulterated food.
- 4.16 Ms. Black sent written correspondence to her local pet food store expressing her concerns on March 4, 2017 and March 6, 2017 respectively.
- 4.17 On March 8, 2017, Ms. Black was then contacted by an unidentified male caller. He later identified himself as Bret Sher, and claimed he was a customer service representative of Party Animal. However, it appears that he misrepresented that fact and that he is in fact affiliated with, or owner or operator of Defendant, Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc., who is the supplier/manufacturer for the Party Animal pet foods in question.
- 4.18 At all times relevant, Bret Sher insisted that Party Animal's Cocolicious was Organic and had to go through strenuous protocols to be labeled Organic and that even though the food was made in a plant that had a prior recall, that there was no possible way the Party Animal food could be affected because it is packed by hand and the recalled food was not. Mr. Sher vehemently denied that the Party Animal pet food made by his company, Evanger's was tainted.
  - 4.19 Nonethless, Mr. Sher requested that Ms. Black put all Party Animal food in

her possession outside of her home and stated that FedEx would come pick it up and that he would replace the food with a different food at no cost. Ms. Black had nine cans of unopened the Party Animal Chicken/Beef from lot # 0134E1523713 and a 1/2 can of Beef and Turkey from lot # 0136E1520404 (best by July 2019) which was secured in Ms. Black's freezer.

- 4.20 FedEx picked up the first box and then Ms. Black found an additional can and let Bret Sher know. Sher sent FedEx again to retrieve the pet food.
- 4.21 Plaintiff insisted that the subject pet food be tested for contaminants or toxic agents, but neither Party Animal nor Evanger's would confirm that testing would or had been conducted or provide Plaintiff any further information. They were, however, very anxious to relieve Ms. Black of the food samples.
- 4.22 Fortunately, Ms. Black, did not allow Defendants to take away all the tainted pet food, and thereafter sought professional laboratory testing of the food. After considerable efforts, a qualified laboratory from Texas A&M University tested an unopened can of the suspect Party Animal food. The tested food contained the euthanasia drug, Pentobarbital.
- 4.23 Having confirmed that Party Animal's "organic food" actually contained a drug that is specifically used to kill animals, Ms. Black set about to determine if the pet food she purchased contained any of the other promised healthy and fresh ingredients. Further testing showed that Party Animal "Cocolicious" dog foods did <u>not</u> contain coconut or coconut compounds as advertised. In summary, it appears that Party Animal and Evanger are preying on unsuspecting animal lovers by falsely advertising its food as

organic, wholesome, fresh and as containing other healthy and natural ingredients, when in fact, the only thing different about the food is the label and its marketing scheme.

4.24 Plaintiff contends that defendant Evanger's purchases its meat from various sources, including Bailey Farms Stock Removal, a dead animal processor. Bailey Farms Stock Removal collects dead livestock from farms including cattle, calves or horses, including animals that have been euthanized with high doses of kill drugs, and sells the carcasses to the pet food industry.

4.25 On information and belief, Evanger's regularly, systematically and in this case did purchase rotting animal carcasses for processing into pet foods, including animals that had been euthanized with pentobarbital. Consequently, pet food made from "meat" feed stocks are contaminated with chemical agents that not only fall short of being "organic", fresh or healthy, but that are actually toxic to animals that ingest it.

4.26 After further inquiry, it appears that many dogs have been affected and injured by pentobarbital contamination of Party Animal brand dog foods manufactured and/or supplied by Evanger's and Does 1-500. In addition, many consumers such as Ms. Black have purchased the Party Animal brand dog foods manufactured and/or supplied by Evanger's and Does 1-500, based on the false advertising, misrepresentations and illegal acts and omissions of Party Animal and Evanger's and Does 1-500. Such foods were not in fact organic, not healthful and did not contain the advertised ingredients.

# V. CLASS ALLEGATIONS

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simila	rly	situa	ated	purs	uant	to	Code	of (	Civil	Proced	ure	section	382.	Plaintiff	seeks	to
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- (a) Consumer NPi<sup>1</sup> Class: All persons residing in the United States who purchased Party Animal dog food within four years from the date of the original complaint.
- (b) Consumer WPI<sup>2</sup> Class: All persons residing in the United States who purchased Party Animal dog food within four years from the date of the original complaint and who incurred any out of pocket costs due to illness, injury or death of an animal resulting from the ingestion of Party Animal brand products.
- (c) The California NPI Subclass: All persons residing in the State of California who purchased Party Animal dog food for personal or household use and not for resale within four years from the date of the original complaint.
- (d) The California WPI Subclass: All persons residing in the State of California who purchased Party Animal dog food for personal or household use and not for resale within four years from the date of the original complaint and who incurred any out of pocket costs due to illness, injury or death of an animal resulting from the ingestion of Party Animal brand products.
- 5.2 Upon information and belief, the scope of this Class definition, including its temporal scope, may be further refined after discovery of Defendants' and/or third party records.
- 5.3 Excluded from the Class are governmental entities, Defendants, any entity in which Defendants have a controlling interest, and Defendants' officers, directors, affiliates, legal representatives, employees, successors, subsidiaries, and assigns. Also

<sup>&</sup>quot;NPI" refers to "no pet injury."

<sup>2 &</sup>quot;WPI" refers to "with pet injury."

excluded from the Class is any judge, justice, or judicial officer presiding over this matter and the members of their immediate families and judicial staff.

- 5.4 All members of the Class, and any subclass that may be certified, were and are similarly affected by Defendants' conduct or omission regarding the non-disclosure of the toxic substances in the product, the false advertising and mislabeling of the product, and the relief sought herein is for the benefit of Plaintiffs and members of the Class and any subclass.
- 5.5 Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Class. Plaintiff is a member of the Class she seeks to represent. Plaintiff is a member of a Class of consumers, and the members of this Class of consumers were similarly situated and similarly affected by the conduct alleged of Defendants and incurred similar damage, as alleged in this complaint, as a result of Defendants' conduct. Members of the Class are ascertainable from Plaintiff's description of the Class and/or Defendants' records and/or records of third parties accessible through discovery.
- 5.6 The representative Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent the members of the Class and has no interests that are antagonistic to the claims of the Class. Plaintiff's interests in this action are antagonistic to the interests of Defendants, and they will vigorously pursue the claims of the Class.
- 5.7 The representative Plaintiff has retained counsel who are competent and experienced in consumer class action litigation, and have successfully represented consumers in complex class actions.

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- 5.9 There are numerous and substantial questions of law or fact common to all members of the Class that will predominate over any individual issues, including but not limited to:
  - (a) whether Defendants' pet foods contain the euthanasia drug pentobarbital;
     (b) whether Defendants were required to disclose to the Class that their pet foods contain dead animal products which may contain the euthanasia drug pentobarbital;
  - (c) whether the Defendants impermissibly and falsely labeled the products and advertised that their pet foods contained various healthful and organic products, and/or other ingredients;
  - (d) whether the Class has been damaged as a result of Defendants' conduct;
  - (e) whether the Defendants have been unjustly enriched by their conduct;
  - (f) whether Defendants' conduct violated California law or other governing laws;
  - (g) whether the Class members are the beneficiaries of a warranty and if that warranty has been breached.
- 5.10 A class action provides a fair and efficient method, if not the only method, for adjudicating this controversy. The substantive claims of the representative Plaintiff

and the Class are nearly identical and will require evidentiary proof of the same kind and application of the same law.

- 5.11 A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy because the number of Class members is believed to be at least in the thousands and individual joinder is impracticable. The expense and burden of individual litigation would make it impracticable or impossible for proposed Class members to prosecute their claims individually. Trial of Plaintiff's and the Class members' claims are manageable. Unless a Class is certified, Defendants will be unjustly enriched at the expense of Class members.
- 5.12 There is no plain, speedy, or adequate remedy other than by maintenance of this class action because Plaintiff is informed and believes that damage to each member of the Class is relatively small, making it economically unfeasible to pursue remedies other than by way of a class action.
- 5.13 The persons in the Class are so numerous that the joinder of all such persons individually in this case is impracticable, and the disposition of their claims in this case and as part of a single class action lawsuit, rather than thousands of individual lawsuits, will benefit the parties and greatly reduce the aggregate judicial resources that would be spent if this matter were handled as thousands of separate lawsuits.
- 5.14 Plaintiff knows of no difficulty that will be encountered in the management of this litigation, which would preclude its maintenance of a class action.
- 5.15 Defendants have acted on grounds generally applicable to the entire Class, thereby making final injunctive relief or corresponding declaratory relief

appropriate with respect to the Class as a whole. Prosecution of separate actions by individual members of the Class would create the risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications with respect to individual members of the Class that would establish incompatible standards of conduct for the Defendants.

- 5.16 Without a class action, Defendants will likely retain the benefit of their wrongdoing and will continue a course of action that will result in further damages to Plaintiffs and the Class. Plaintiffs envision no difficulty in the management of this action as a class action.
- 5.17 On the basis of all of the facts alleged hereinabove, Defendants' conduct and actions were despicable, and were done maliciously, oppressively and fraudulently, with a willful and conscious disregard of Plaintiffs' rights, thereby subjecting Plaintiffs to unjust hardship and distress, entitling Plaintiffs to punitive damages under *California Civil Code* section 3294. Defendants' officers, directors and managing agents were personally informed and involved in the decision making process with respect to the misconduct alleged herein and to be proven at trial.

### VI. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

# Breach of Implied Warranty On Behalf of the Class Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

- 6.1 Ms. Black and Class members reallege all prior allegations as though fully set forth herein.
- 6.2 Ms. Black and Class members purchased pet food produced by the Defendants and Does 1-500 based on the implied understanding that Party Animal brands were safe for their pets to consume.

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6.3	Party Animal was and is not safe for pets to consume and has caused pe	1
to become il	and/or die after consumption.	

- 6.4 Party Animal constitutes a "good" within the meaning of Uniform Commercial Code Article 2.
- 6.5 Defendants' and Does 1-500 conduct as described herein constitutes a breach of the implied warranty of merchantability and the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose in that Party Animal is dangerous and not fit for its purpose as a dog food.
- 6.6 As a proximate result of the aforementioned wrongful conduct and breach, Ms. Black and Class members have suffered damage in an amount to be proven at trial. Defendants and Does 1-500 had actual or constructive notice of such damages, and such damages may fairly and reasonably be considered as arising naturally from the breach or may reasonably be supposed to have been in the contemplation of the parties at the time they made warranties as to Party Animal, and the probable result of the breach of such warranties.

### VII. <u>SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION</u>

# Breach of Express Warranty On Behalf of the Class Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

- 7.1 Ms. Black and Class members reallege all prior allegations as though fully set forth herein.
- 7.2 The representations on Defendant's and Does 1-500 packaging created an express warranty that the contents shall conform to the representations of the package, including that Party Animal is fit for consumption by pets, under both common law and

section 2-313 of the Uniform Commercial Code. Said representations include, but are not limited to, Party Animal being "made with organic [meat] fruits, vegetables + vitamins and minerals". The Cocolicious Party Animal brands purchased by Ms. Black and the Class also represented that they were "made with coconut oil", when in fact, they were not.

- 7.3 Ms. Black and the Class reasonably and foreseeably relied on this warranty in the contract for purchase of Party Animal pet foods for the purpose of feeding their pets, such that the warranty became a basis of the bargain by which Ms. Black and the Class chose to purchase Party Animal.
- 7.4 Party Animal was not safe for pets to consume and caused pets to become ill and/or die. The unsafe nature of the pet food constituted a breach of the express warranty.
- 7.5 As a proximate result of the aforementioned wrongful conduct and breach, Ms. Black and Class members have suffered damage in an amount to be proven at trial. Defendants and Does 1-500 has actual or constructive notice of such damages, and such damages may fairly and reasonably be considered as arising naturally from the breach or may reasonably be supposed to have been in the contemplation of the parties at the time they made warranties as to Party Animal, and the probable result of the breach of such warranties.

# VIII. THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

Negligence
On Behalf of the Class Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

8.1	Ms. Black and	Class members	reallege	all prior	allegations	as though	n full
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- 8.2 Defendants and Does 1-500 owed a duty of care to Ms. Black and the Class to offer pet food free from deleterious and harmful effects and suitable for consumption by dogs.
- 8.3 Defendants and Does 1-500 breached this duty by selling Party Animal, which is harmful and deleterious, without adequate quality control and testing, without using proper manufacturing and production practices, without properly investigating reports of pet deaths and illnesses following consumption of Party Animal food, and without adequately warning Ms. Black and the Class of the dangers of the product. Such conduct by Defendants and Does 1-500 was negligent and/or reckless.
- 8.4 Defendants and Does 1-500 knew or should have known that Party Animal food posed a risk of harm to pets, that purchasers of Party Animal, including Ms. Black and the Class, would not recognize the risk, and that consumption of Party Animal by pets would foreseeably result in injury and death to pets, constituting property damage to Ms. Black and the Class.
- 8.5 As a proximate cause of Defendant's and Does 1-500 negligent acts alleged herein, Ms. Black and the Class members suffered injury to property, specifically in the illness and deaths of their pets and associated expenses, in an amount to be proven at trial.

## IX. FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Negligent Misrepresentation
On Behalf of the Class Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

9.1	Ms. Black and Class members reallege all prior allegations as though fully
set forth her	rein. Defendants and Does 1-500 owed Ms. Black and the Class a duty to
exercise rea	sonable care in representing the safety of Party Animal.

- 9.2 Defendants and Does 1-500 falsely represented that Party Animal was safe for consumption by dogs.
- 9.3 In reality, Party Animal caused dogs to become ill and, in some cases, to die.
- 9. 4 Ms. Black and the Class reasonably relied on the information provided by Defendants and Does 1-500 regarding the safety of Animal Party.
- 9.5 As a proximate cause of Defendants' and Does 1-500 false representations, Ms. Black and the Class members suffered injury to property, specifically in the illness and deaths of their pets and associated expenses, in an amount to be proven at trial.

## X. FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# Strict Products Liability On Behalf of the Class Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

- 10.1 Ms. Black and Class members reallege all prior allegations as though fully set forth herein.
- 10.2 Defendants and Does 1-500, as set forth above, are the manufacturers, distributors and marketers of Party Animal pet food.
- 10.3 Party Animal in all its forms is defective in design and/or manufacture in that it contains an ingredient or ingredients that are harmful to animals upon

consumption. Party Animal was further defective due to inadequate testing. Defendants and Does 1-500 knew that Party Animal would be purchased and used without inspection, or testing for defects and harmful substances by the purchaser.

10.4 Further, Party Animal was under the exclusive control of Defendants and Does 1-500, and was sold without warning as to its health risks. Defendants and Does 1-500 had a duty to warn purchasers of the health risks posed by Party Animal in an effective manner. Such warnings should have been placed on the packaging at point-of-sale or in another manner reasonably calculated to fairly warn purchasers of the danger.

10.5 The kinds of harm which befell Ms. Black, the Class and their pets were foreseeable results of the defects in Party Animal. Neither Ms. Black nor any member of the Class had any reason to know, prior to or at the time of purchase, or any time prior to the injuries to their pets, that Party Animal was defective and harmful.

## XI. SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of the Consumers Legal Remedies Act (Cal. Civ. Code §1750 et seq.)
On Behalf of the California Subclass Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

- 11.1 Ms. Black and Class members reallege all prior allegations as though fully set forth herein.
- 11.2 Defendants' and Does 1-500 sale of dangerous and defective pet food constitutes an unlawful, deceptive and unfair business act within the meaning of the Consumers Legal Remedies Act, California Civil Code section 1750 et seq.
- 11.3 Defendants and Does 1-500 are a "person" as defined under California

  Civil Code section 1761(c).

11.4	Defendants and Does 1-500 violated Civil Code sections 1770(a)(5) and
(a)(7) when it	failed to disclose that Party Animal is inherently defective and dangerous
and not fit for	its intended purpose. Defendants' and Does 1-500 sale of hazardous pe
food has the	capacity to deceive a substantial portion of the public and to affect the
public interes	•

- 11.5 As a result of the practices described herein, Defendants and Does 1-500 have committed the following violations of section 1770:
  - (a) Defendants and Does 1-500 have represented that Party Animal has characteristics or benefits that it does not have including, that it is "healthy" and offers "great nutrition" (section 1770(a)(5)); and
  - (b) Defendants and Does 1-500 have falsely represented that Party Animal is of a particular standard, quality, or grade (section 1770(a)(7)).
- 11.6 Defendants and Does 1-500 undertook their deceptive practices with the design and purpose of inducing Ms. Black and the California Subclass to purchase Party Animal, which they did.
- 11.7 Defendants and Does 1-500 engaged in marketing efforts to reach the California Subclass and persuade members to purchase Party Animal, which was defective, leading to the injuries to their pets and other damages.
- 11.8 As a result of Defendants' and Does 1-500 unfair and deceptive acts and practices, Ms. Black and the California Subclass have suffered damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

11.9 Ms. Black and the California Subclass are providing Defendants and Does 1-500 with the notice required by the Consumers Legal Remedies Act by giving notice of Defendants and Does 1-500 violation of the Act by certified mail. Ms. Black and the California Subclass at this time request only injunctive relief, until the expiration of the thirty-day period in which Defendants and Does 1-500 may respond to the notice. Such injunctive relief may include recall, among other things. Ms. Black and the California Subclass will amend the Complaint to add claims for damages in the event Defendants and Does 1-500 do not respond to the notice in the specified time. As such, Ms. Black has complied with California Civil Code section 1782(a).

#### XII. SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of the Unfair Competition Law (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §17200 et seq.)
On Behalf of the California Subclass Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

- 12.1 Ms. Black realleges all prior allegations as though fully set forth herein.
- 12.2 Defendants' and Does 1-500 practices as alleged in this Complaint constitute unlawful, unfair and fraudulent business acts and practices under the UCL, Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200, et seq. 67. The UCL prohibits acts of "unfair competition," including any unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent business act or practice.
- 12.3 A violation of another law is treated as "unlawful competition" that is independently actionable. A business practice is "unfair" if: a) the utility of Defendant's conduct is substantially outweighed by the gravity of the harm to the alleged victim; b) Defendant's practice violates public policy as declared by specific constitutional, statutory, or regulatory provisions or is immoral, unethical, oppressive, unscrupulous, or

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substantially injurious to consumers; or c) Defendant's practice would deceive a reasonable consumer.

- 12.4 Defendants and Does 1-500 committed unlawful practices because it violated the CLRA.
- 12.5 Defendants and Does 1-500 committed unfair practices because it manufactured and distributed Party Animal, which is harmful to dogs, despite knowledge of the defect, and in a manner that would deceive a reasonable consumer.
- 12.6 Defendants and Does 1-500 engaged in unfair, deceptive, untrue or misleading advertising by representing that Party Animal was safe for consumption, was organic, wholesome, healthy and/or natural and contained the advertised ingredients. despite the fact that Party Animal was not safe for consumption, was not organic. wholesome, healthy or natural and did not contain the advertised ingredients.
- 12.7 Defendants and Does 1-500 committed unfair, unlawful or fraudulent practices by: (a) representing that Party Animal was safe for dogs to consume when it was not; (b) continuing to represent the health benefits of Party Animal despite being aware of numerous complaints from users of Party Animal that their dogs had become ill or died after consuming it; and (c) by falsely representing the ingredients of the food.
- 12.8 Ms. Black and the California Subclass members relied on such statements and omissions. Had Ms. Black and the California Subclass members known that Party Animal presented a health hazard to their dogs, they never would have purchased it.

12. 9 Accordingly, Plaintiff and the Class seek an injunction requiring Defendants and Does 1-500 to cease selling Party Animal pet foods and to recall any of the product currently in distribution, restitution, and all other relief this Court deems appropriate.

#### XIII. EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of the False Advertising Law (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §17500 et seq.)
On Behalf of the California Subclass Against All Defendants and Does 1-500

- 13. 1 Ms. Black and Class members reallege all prior allegations as though fully set forth herein.
- 13.2 Defendants and Does 1-500 disseminated advertising within California and throughout the United States. Defendants and Does 1-500 disseminated or caused to be disseminated the materially untrue and misleading advertising described in this Complaint with the intent to directly or indirectly induce Ms. Black and the California Subclass to purchase Animal Party.
- 13.3 The advertising misrepresenting the Party Animal's health benefits, or omitting to state that Party Animal posed a health risk to dogs, were untrue, misleading, and deceptive as set forth in this Complaint.
- 13.4 When Defendants and Does 1-500 disseminated the advertising described here, it knew, or by the exercise of reasonable care should have known, that the statements concerning Party Animal's were untrue or misleading, or omitted to state the truth about the Party Animal, in violation of the False Advertising Law, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §17500, et seq.

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13.5 Ms. Black, on behalf of herself and the California Subclass, seeks restitution, disgorgement, injunctive relief, and all other relief allowable under §17500, et SOQ.

### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, and on behalf of the general public, pray for judgment against Defendants and Does 1-500 as follows:

- 1. For an order certifying this case as a class action, and appointing Plaintiff and her counsel to represent the Class:
- 2. For a declaratory judgment that Defendants and Does 1-500 inclusion of harmful and dangerous compounds to consumers' pet foods is unlawful;
- 3. For a declaratory judgment that Defendants and Does 1-500 omission of various advertised healthful components to consumers' pet foods is unlawful:
- For an order requiring Defendants and Does 1-500, at their own cost, to notify all Class members of the unlawful and deceptive conduct herein:
- 5. For an order requiring Defendants and Does 1-500 to make full disclosure of the actual ingredients in their pet foods on the label such that it complies with all applicable food labeling rules and regulations;
- For an order requiring Defendants and Does 1-500 to engage in corrective 6. advertising regarding the conduct discussed above:
- 7. For an order prohibiting defendants from selling pet foods contaminated with euthanasia drugs:

8.	For an	order	requiring	Defendants	to	test	and	certify	their	pet	food	a
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- 9. For an order awarding, as appropriate, compensatory damages and restitutionary disgorgement to Plaintiff and the Class;
- 10. For an order enjoining Defendants and Does 1-500 from continuing to market, advertise, distribute, and sell these products in the unlawful manner described herein, and ordering Defendants to engage in corrective action;
  - 11. For all remedies available pursuant to the Civil Code;
  - 12. For an order awarding attorneys' fees and costs;
  - 13. For an order awarding punitive damages;
  - 14. For an order awarding pre- and post-judgment interest; and
  - 15. For an order providing such further relief as this Court deems proper.

DATE: June \_\_\_\_, 2017

SICO HOELSCHER HARRIS & BRAUGH LLP

BY:

Jane M. Braugh, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

Plaintiffs hereby demand a jury trial on all causes of action.

DATE: June \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

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Plaintiffs Nicole and Guy Mael ("Plaintiffs"), by and through their undersigned attorneys, bring this action on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated, and the general public, based upon personal knowledge as to themselves and their activities, and on information and belief as to all other matters, against Defendants, Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Co. and Nutripack, LLC ("Nutripack") (collectively referred to as "Evanger's" or "Defendantss"). Evanger's produces high-end pet foods that are specifically marketed to label-conscious consumers but that, contrary to their labels, contain harmful ingredients that caused several of Plaintiffs' pets to become sick and caused one to die.

### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 1. Diversity subject matter jurisdiction exists over this class action pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-2, 119 Stat. 4 (2005), amending 28 U.S.C. § 1332, at new subsection (d), conferring federal jurisdiction over class actions involving: (a) 100 or more members in the proposed class; (b) where at least some members of the proposed class have different citizenship from Defendants; and (c) where the claims of the proposed class members exceed the sum or value of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) in the aggregate. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(d)(2) and (6).
- 2. This District Court also has jurisdiction under 28 U.S. Code § 1331 because the action arises out of a federal law of the United States, 15 U.S.C. § 2301, et seq.
- 3. While the exact number of members in each of the proposed classes is unknown at this time, Plaintiffs have reason to believe that thousands of consumers purchased Defendants' pet food throughout the United States, including in Washington, during the relevant period. The number of class members could be discerned from the records maintained by Defendants.

- 4. While the exact damages to Plaintiffs and the members of the classes are unknown at this time, Plaintiffs reasonably believe that their claims exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000) in the aggregate.
- 5. Jurisdiction is also proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367, which provides, in relevant part, that: (a) "in any action of which the district courts have original jurisdiction, the district courts shall have supplemental jurisdiction over all other claims that are so related to claims in the action within such original jurisdiction that they form part of the same case or controversy under Article III of the United States Constitution . . . includ[ing] claims that involve the joinder . . . of additional parties."
- 6. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants because it has purposefully availed itself of the privilege of conducting business in the State of Washington by selling its products to persons in Washington online and through retailers, and a substantial number of the events giving rise to the claims alleged herein took place in this District.
- 7. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because many of the acts and transactions giving rise to this action occurred in this District and because Defendants:
  - has intentionally availed itself of the laws and markets within this
     District through the promotion, marketing, distribution and sale
     of their products in this District;
  - b. does substantial business in this District, including selling its products in this District; and
  - c. is subject to personal jurisdiction in this District.
- 8. Venue is proper in this Court as to the Plaintiffs and claims under the doctrine of pendant venue.

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Plaintiffs bring this class action to obtain damages and equitable relief for themselves and all others similarly situated, both in Washington and nationwide, who purchased Defendants' Pet Foods', which were advertised as premium, "100% beef," and "human grade, USDA inspected meat," but instead were composed of low quality, non-human grade ingredients and were produced at an unsanitary, non-

USDA facility. Many of the Pet Foods were unsafe, adulterated meats, not from

animals that were identified on the labels, and contained pentobarbital, a

barbiturate used in the euthanizing of animals, the execution of humans and in physician-assisted deaths Plaintiffs' use of these products led to the sickness of

several of Plaintiffs' pets, and the death of one.

10. Defendant Evanger's produces dog and cat food products in the United States that it sells online, and through a network of distributors to retailers. Evanger's Pet Foods are aimed specifically at customers, like Plaintiffs, who want premium, safe and healthy meals for their pets, and are willing to pay a hefty price for them compared to other brands.

- 11. Evanger's touts its "premium," "human grade," "USDA inspected meats" that are "100% natural, raw meats" and do not contain "soy, corn, wheat, artificial ingredients, preservatives, harmful additives or by-products" to customers. It claims to be a "5-star" rated Pet Food.
- 12. Evanger's has one of the few canneries in the country for pet foods, and produces and packages both its own brand-named products as well as its Against the Grain brand products. Evanger's also produces and packages pet foods for other companies' brands, including Party Animal Pet Foods ("Party Animal").

As used herein, the term "Pet Foods" refers collectively to Evanger's brandnamed products and its Against the Grain brand pet foods.

- 13. Evanger's Against the Grain brand, produced at its manufacturing facility, also targets customers, like Plaintiffs, who seek to purchase products with high quality ingredients for their pets and are willing to pay a premium price compared to other brands. Against the Grain states that it uses "safe," "human grade," "highest quality," "fresh" ingredients. It also boasts that its products are gluten-free and grain-free "sourced from human grade facilities" and composed of 100% specific meat.
- 14. On December 31, 2016, relying on Defendants' representations about the Pet Foods, Plaintiffs purchased Evanger's Hunk of Beef Au Jus ("Hunk of Beef") and Against the Grain's Grain Free Pulled Beef with Gravy canned dog food ("Pulled Beef") for their five dogs. Immediately, after consuming the Hunk of Beef all of the dogs became ill acting listless and non-responsive. Plaintiffs rushed them to an emergency veterinarian. The next day, one of Plaintiffs' dogs, Talula, died after being poisoned by the Hunk of Beef. As a result of consuming the Pet Foods, Plaintiffs' four other dogs have had to undergo ongoing veterinarian treatments and monitoring, including Tito, who is now being treated for seizures.
- 15. After Talula's death, the Federal Food and Drug Administration (the "FDA"), began working with Plaintiffs and the retailer who had sold the Pet Foods to Plaintiffs, and arranged for a necropsy and toxicology testing to be performed on Talula's body and the Pet Foods. The FDA conducted the testing and found a large amount of pentobarbital in the animal's stomach and in the undigested Pet Food. The FDA then directed testing of the remaining Hunk of Beef product and the unopened Hunk of Beef and Pulled Beef products purchased by Plaintiffs. The testing further confirmed the contamination of pentobarbital in the Pet Foods.
- 16. The FDA determined that Evanger's meat supplier, with which it had a forty year relationship, had in fact provided a label on its meat informing Evanger's that the meat was "*Inedible* Hand Deboned Beef" "For Pet Food Use Only. *Not Fit*

for Human Consumption." The FDA also found that none of Evanger's beef suppliers are inspected by the United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Services ("USDA-FSIS"), and that none of its meat was human grade. The FDA also noted unsanitary conditions at Evanger's manufacturing facilities at both its Wheeling, Illinois and Markham, Illinois locations that further contaminated its Pet Foods. The FDA and Evanger's own testing also found trace amounts of pork and horse in its products that were labeled as "100% beef."

- 17. Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act ("FDCA"), the FDA is primarily responsible for making sure that food for both people and animals is safe, properly manufactured, and properly labeled. The FDCA, 21 U.S.C. § 342(a)(1), prohibits foods that are adulterated due to poisonous substances; preparation, packaging or holding under insanitary conditions causing contamination; or products of a diseased animal or of an animal, which has died otherwise than by slaughter. The FDA determined that Defendants' Pet Foods were adulterated.
- 18. Defendants has misrepresented the quality of its Pet Foods' ingredients and manufacturing. It falsely stated that the Pet Foods are safe and sourced from human-grade, USDA inspected meats when in fact they are not. These misrepresentations and omissions relating to the quality of the meat and health risks ultimately led to a recall of certain products beginning on February 3, 2017 (for certain Hunk of Beef lots); on February 13, 2017 (for certain Pulled Beef lots); and on March 3, 2017 for all lots of Evanger's Hunk of Beef, Pulled Beef and Braised Beef products.
- 19. Despite insisting that no other products were impacted by the recalls, on April 13, 2017, three and a half months after Talula died, another dog became ill after eating Party Animal pet food manufactured by Evanger's. The Party Animal products also tested positive for pentobarbital, and on April 17, 2017, Party Animal

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publicly recalled its Cocolicious Beef & Turkey dog food and Cocolicious Chicken & Beef dog food.

- 20. Following the recall of Party Animal's products, Party Animal sued Defendants for damages based on the misrepresented meat that Evanger's sold to it. Party Animal seeks damages relating, but not limited to, retailers that are seeking refunds for its recalled and non-recalled products and consumers, who are seeking payment of veterinarian bills for treatment of their pets caused by their consumption of its products. The lawsuit also alleges that in February 2017, Party Animal began receiving invoices from Nutripack instead of Evanger's. When it inquired about this, an owner of Evanger's, Holly Sher, stated that they were afraid of getting sued because of the recent recalls, and they were taking money out of Evanger's. She also stated that they did not want to receive any money into Evanger's and would instead run all operations under Nutripack.
- 21. Plaintiffs and the other members of the proposed classes have purchased Defendants' Pet Foods, and relied on Defendants' misrepresentations about their products' high quality, human-grade ingredients and sources of USDA inspected meat. Defendants also omitted material facts about the quality of the meat in the Pet Foods and the health risks they carried, including but not limited to the fact that they may be contain poisonous pentobarbital, were contaminated from the unsanitary manufacturing facilities and were from animals that did not die from slaughter.
- 22. The Pet Foods were unsafe for animals to consume and should not have been sold under the law. Had Defendants disclosed the true facts concerning these products, Plaintiffs would have been aware of them, the potential harm and would not have purchased Defendants' Pet Foods or not paid as much money for them. Defendants' false and misleading labels touting the purity and quality of their products allowed Defendants to charge a higher price than it could have without these representations.

- 23. In fact, the prices Defendants charges for its Pet Foods are among the highest in the industry. The price of Evanger's Hunk of Beef on its website, which retailers sell for even more, is \$36.91 for a case of twelve 12 ounce cans, or \$3.07 per can, and the price of its Against the Grain's Pulled Beef is \$37.22 for twelve 13 ounce cans, or \$3.10 a can. If Defendants were to now disclose the truth about the ingredients, manufacturing and source of their products, Plaintiffs and the classes would be in a position to make an informed decision as to whether to purchase Defendants' Pet Foods at the price of those products.
- 24. Plaintiffs bring this class action against Defendants, on behalf of themselves, the proposed classes, and the general public, in order to: (a) halt the dissemination of Defendants' deceptive advertising and marketing; (b) correct the false and misleading perception Defendants has created in the minds of consumers through their misrepresentations; and (c) secure redress for consumers who have purchased one or more of Defendants' Pet Foods, including not only the cost of the Pet Foods, but also any veterinarian costs related to the consumption of the Pet Foods.
- 25. Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and the proposed classes, bring claims against Defendants for violation of the federal Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act; breach of express warranties and implied warranties of merchantability; violation of the Washington Consumer Protection Act and Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act; negligence; product liability; and unjust enrichment.

#### **PARTIES**

## **Plaintiffs**

26. Plaintiffs Nicole and Guy Mael are husband and wife, who reside in Washougal, Washington and are citizens of Washington. They had five dogs, Talula,

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Tank, Pedro, Tinkerbell and Tito, until January 1, 2017, when Talula passed away

after eating Evanger's Hunk of Beef that was contaminated with pentobarbital. 27. Members of the putative classes reside in Washington and throughout

other states in the United States.

28. During the relevant period, Plaintiffs, while in the state of Washington, were exposed to and saw Defendants' material, deceptive marketing claims and packaging that misrepresented the quality and ingredients of their Pet Foods and omissions that failed to disclose material facts about the meat used and the health risks it carried to animals that consumed it. Before purchasing Defendants' Pet Foods, Plaintiffs reviewed the product labels and Defendants' websites and relied on these in making their decision to purchase the Pet Foods. Plaintiffs, relying on Defendants' omissions and misleading marketing and labeling of their Pet Foods, believed that Defendants' Pet Foods were premium, "human grade," "USDA inspected meats" and did not carry any health risks to their pets. While in the state of Washington, Plaintiffs purchased Defendants' Pet Foods intermittently at a local retailer, Healthier Choices, in Washougal, Washington, over a four year period, including on December 31, 2016, when they purchased five cans of Evanger's Grain Free Rabbit for dogs and cats at \$1.65 per can, three cans of Hunk of Beef at \$3.20 per can and three cans of Pulled Beef at \$3.60 per can. Exhibit A receipt from purchase.

29. Had Defendants disclosed the truth about their Pet Foods - that the products were not premium, human grade nor sourced from USDA inspected meats, and their health risks to animals that ate them, as was known to or should have been known to Defendants - then Plaintiffs would have been aware of the true nature of these products, and would not have paid the price that they paid for the Pet Foods, or would not have purchased them at all. In the future, if Defendants were to disclose that its Pet Foods are not high quality, not human grade and not from USDA

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inspected meats, Plaintiffs would be in a position to make an informed decision as to whether to purchase Defendants' products at the prices offered. Thus, as a result of Defendants' material unfair and deceptive misrepresentations and omissions, Plaintiffs suffered injury in fact and lost money, and most importantly, lost their beloved companion animal.

### Defendants

- 30. Evanger's is incorporated in Illinois, and has its corporate headquarters at 211 Wheeling Road, Wheeling, Illinois 60090. It was started in 1935 by Fred Evanger. It is currently owned by Joel, Holly, Chelsea and Brett Sher, who acquired it in 2002, when they developed the "human-grade" ingredients, and hand-packed products line, including Hunk of Beef, Braised Beef and Pulled Beef. It has two facilities, one in Wheeling, Illinois, and one it opened in 2014 in Markham, Illinois.<sup>2</sup>
- 31. Nutripack located in Markham, Illinois, is an Illinois limited liability company, owned and operated by the Sher family. Nutripack manufacturers Evanger's Pet Foods. According to the lawsuit filed by Party Animal, Evanger's began invoicing Party Animal through Nutripack in February 2017, following the recall of the Pet Foods. Holly Sher, an owner of Evanger's and Nutripack, indicated that it was defunding Evanger's and running its funds through Nutripack to avoid liability relating to the recalls.
- 32. Evanger's produces many different lines of pet food under its own name and under the brand name Against the Grain. Evanger's sells its products online and through retailers across the country. Evanger's also produces other companies' brands, including but not limited to Party Animal. Evanger's publicly stated on its website on January 4, 2017, that "Hunk of Beef is our #1 seller. Pets consume over

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Evanger's Fact, Our Story, http://www.evangersfacts.com/evangers-history/ (last visited May 15, 2017).

one million cans of Hunk of Beef per year." Evanger's, Voluntary Recall, January 4, 2017, http://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/pug-family-updates/ (last visited February 17, 2017) (since removed).

33. Plaintiffs allege, on information and belief, that at all times relevant herein, Defendants' agents, employees, representatives, executives, directors, partners, and/or subsidiaries were acting within the course and scope of such agency, employment, and representation, on behalf of Defendants.

# **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

# I. BACKGROUND ON REGULATION AND LAWS GOVERNING THE PET FOOD INDUSTRY

- 34. The FDA and USDA are tasked with regulating pet foods, labels and manufacturing to keep humans and animals safe. The FDA regulates animal protein ingredient suppliers, which may also be subject to state jurisdiction. The USDA-FSIS regulates the slaughter of animals for human consumption and provides grading and definition of various products including testing for speciation. The USDA-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service ("APHIS") provides a voluntary service to inspect and provide certification status to facilities according to standards established by the country where the facilities wish to export their products. APHIS does not have direct regulatory responsibility over pet food.<sup>4</sup>
- 35. The Association of American Feed Control Officials ("AAFCO") is a voluntary membership association of local, state and federal agencies charged by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Evanger's, Voluntary Recall, January 4, 2017, http://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/pug-family-updates/ (last visited February 17, 2017) (since removed).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> FDA, Questions and Answers: Evanger's Dog and Cat Food ("FDA Q&A"), https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/ProductSafetyInformation/uc m544348.htm (last visited April 27, 2017).

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law to regulate the sale and distribution of animal feeds and animal drug remedies. AAFCO has no regulatory authority, but provides a forum for the membership and industry representation to create model guidelines for pet food to safeguard the health of animals and humans; ensure consumer protection; and provide a level playing field of orderly commerce for the animal feed industry.<sup>5</sup>

36. Under the FDCA, 21 U.S.C. § 342(a)(1), a "food," which includes human and pet food, is considered adulterated if it contains a poisonous or deleterious substance; is contaminated by insanitary conditions; or is sourced from an animal that did not die by slaughter. Food may also be deemed adulterated if under § 342(b) it is substituted. This law is in place to protect people and their pets from the risk from consuming poisonous, contaminated, euthanized, diseased or decomposing animal tissues. Specifically, the law states, in pertinent part:

A food shall be deemed to be adulterated-

- (a) Poisonous, insanitary, etc., ingredients
- (1) If it bears or contains any poisonous or deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health . . . (2)(A) if it bears or contains any added poisonous or added deleterious substance . . . that is unsafe within the meaning of section 346 of this title . . . (3) if it consists in whole or in part of any filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance, or if it is otherwise unfit for food; or (4) if it has been prepared, packed, or held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth, or whereby it may have been rendered injurious to health; or (5) if it is, in whole or in part, the product of a diseased animal or of an animal which has died otherwise than by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> AAFCO, Home and Regulatory, http://www.aafco.org/ (last visited April 27, 2017).

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(b) Absence, substitution, or addition of constituents

(1) If any valuable constituent has been in whole or in part omitted or abstracted therefrom; or (2) if any substance has been substituted wholly or in part therefor; or (3) if damage or inferiority has been concealed in any manner; or (4) if any substance has been added thereto or mixed or packed therewith so as to increase its bulk or weight, or reduce its quality or strength, or make it appear better or of greater value than it is.

(Emphasis added).

- 37. Under the FDCA, 21 U.S.C. § 343(b), a food is deemed misbranded if it is offered for sale under the name of another food.
- 38. Despite laws governing pet foods and providing government oversight, the FDA has stated that "[p]et food manufacturers are responsible for taking appropriate steps to ensure that the food they produce is safe for consumption and properly labeled" including verifying the identity and safety of the ingredients from suppliers.6 Because pet food companies are left to self-regulation, many often do not follow laws and rarely face any repercussions until it is too late for some pets, who have died or become sick as a result.
- 39. Many states have enacted their own regulations governing pet foods that prohibit adulteration and misbranding including in Washington, Illinois and Wisconsin.7 See Wash. Rev. Code § 15.53.902 (adulteration) and §15.53.9022

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> FDA Q&A, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/ProductSafety Information/ucm544348.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Wash. Rev. Code § 15.53.902 (adulteration) and §15.53.9022 (misbranding); 505 Ill. Comp. Stat. 30/3(s) (pet food), 30/7 (adulteration) and 30/8 (misbranding); WI Stat. § 94.72 (8) (adulteration and misbranding).

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40. Pet food manufacturers may fail to comply with state and federal laws governing adulteration and misbranding in some of the following ways: (1) producing pet foods that contain poisonous substances like pentobarbital used to euthanize animals; (2) preparing, packaging and holding pet foods in unsanitary facilities that contaminate them; (3) using non-slaughtered animals that may be diseased, decomposed or euthanized; and (4) substituting other ingredients like beef, horse or pig and selling them under a different name.

41. Many manufacturers, including Evanger's, use meat from animals that are not USDA-inspected, human-grade and have died by means other than slaughter in their pet foods, including animals that were euthanized using pentobarbital. This practice has killed and sickened companion animals and put other animals and humans' health and safety at risk.

#### RECENT PET FOOD SCANDALS HAVE CAUSED CUSTOMERS II. TO BECOME MORE INFORMED ABOUT THE PRODUCTS THEY **PURCHASE**

- 42. The lack of compliance with regulations has caused the industry to come under fire in recent years following scandals that have had the result of killing and sickening pets across the country and world.
- 43. In 2002, the FDA reported on its investigation into the presence of pentobarbital in pet foods following reports from veterinarians that pentobarbital, used as an anesthetizing agent for dogs and other animals seemed to be losing its effectiveness in dogs. The FDA stated that because pentobarbital is routinely used to euthanize animals, the most likely way it could get into dog food would be in rendered animal products. Rendered products come from a process that converts animal tissues to feed ingredients, including tissues from animals that have been

euthanized, decomposed or were diseased. The FDA found that pentobarbital from euthanized animals survives the rendering process and could be present in the rendered feed ingredients used in pet food. The FDA's testing of dry dog food confirmed some samples contained pentobarbital. The FDA concluded that pentobarbital was entering pet foods from euthanized, rendered cattle or horses because of the lack of dog and cat DNA.8

- 44. Despite its findings, the FDA has not aggressively taken action under FDCA, § 342 (a)(1) or (5), against the pet food companies that it found to have used non-slaughtered animals and contain pentobarbital in their pet foods. Therefore, manufacturers in the pet food industry, including Defendants, have continued their illegal practice of using non-slaughtered animals that may contain poisonous substances, like pentobarbital, in their pet foods.
- 45. In March 2007, another pet food scandal rattled consumers, when pet food manufacturer Menu Foods alerted the FDA to animal deaths from its routine taste trials, which was followed by numerous consumer and veterinarian reports of many more pet deaths and sickness related to Menu Foods. These animals were reported to have developed kidney failure after eating certain pet food produced at Menu Foods' facilities.<sup>9</sup>
- 46. FDA laboratories found melamine and melamine-related compounds labeled as wheat gluten and rice protein concentrate imported from China and used as ingredients in Menu Food's products. Cornell University scientists also found

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> FDA, Food and Drug Administration/Center for Veterinary Medicine Report on the Risk from Pentobarbital in Dog Food, February 28, 2002,

https://www.fda.gov/aboutfda/centersoffices/officeoffoods/cvm/cvmfoiaelectronicreadingroom/ucm129131.htm (last visited April 26, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> FDA, Melamine Pet Food Recall-Frequently Asked Questions, https://www.fda.gov/animalveterinary/safetyhealth/recallswithdrawals/ucm129932.htm (last visited April 20, 2017).

melamine in the urine and kidneys of deceased cats that were part of a taste-testing study conducted for Menu Foods. The combination of melamine and cyanuric acid in pet foods form crystals in urine and kidney tissue, which can lead to kidney failure and cause animal sickness and death. Over 150 brands of pet foods manufactured by Menu Foods were recalled and numerous lawsuits were filed, including a class action that settled for tens of millions to compensate pet owners for their veterinarian costs, pet loss and purchases. *Id*.

- 47. After being indicted on criminal charges for importing the contaminated pet-food ingredients used by Menu Foods that sickened and killed thousands of family pets in 2007, the company responsible, ChemNutra, Inc. and its owners pled guilty and were sentenced to probation and a company fine of \$25,000, after also agreeing to pay part of the class action settlement.<sup>10</sup>
- 48. Again, beginning in 2007, the FDA began repeatedly issuing alerts to consumers about reports it had received concerning jerky treats that were made in China causing illnesses involving 3,600 dogs and 10 cats in the U.S. and resulting in approximately 580 deaths. However, after conducting more than 1,200 tests, visiting jerky pet treat manufacturers in China, and collaborating with colleagues in academia, industry, state labs and foreign governments, the FDA was unable to determine the cause of the illnesses.<sup>11</sup>
- 49. In 2013, after a New York State lab reported finding evidence of up to six drugs in certain jerky pet treats made in China, a number of jerky pet treat

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The VIN News Service, Sentences Handed Down in Pet Food Poisoning Criminal Case, Feb. 9, 2010,

http://news.vin.com/vinnews.aspx?articleId=14984rticleId=14984 (last visited April 21, 2017).

<sup>11</sup> FDA, Why Are Jerky Treats Making Pets Sick?

https://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ ucm371413.htm (last visited April 20, 2017).

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27 28 products were removed from the market, and there was a corresponding decrease in reports of jerky-suspected illnesses. *Id*.

- 50. In 2014, The Blue Buffalo Company Ltd. was sued by Nestle Purina Petcare Company ("Nestle") (Nestle Purina Petcare Company v. The Blue Buffalo Company Ltd., 4:14-cv-00859-RWS (E.D. Mo.)), for falsely stating that it did not have any animal by-products in its pet food. When it was uncovered that Nestle was correct and a supplier was providing meat by-product used in Blue Buffalo's pet food that was falsely labeled as otherwise, customers also sued in a class action, (In re Blue Buffalo Company, Ltd., Marketing and Sales Practices Litigation, No. 14md-02562-RWS (E.D. Mo. Dec. 21, 2015)), resulting in tens of millions in a settlement for customers mislead by the false advertising.
- 51. Blue Buffalo's supplier, Wilbur-Ellis and its employee, now face criminal charges in federal court and accusations of introducing adulterated food into interstate commerce, and misbranding its products by using too many lowerquality ingredients, such as chicken feathers, and not enough real chicken and other meat.12

#### III. EVANGER'S MARKETS ITS PET FOODS TO INGREDIENT-**CONSCIOUS CUSTOMERS**

- 52. In the wake of uncertainty about the safety and labeling of pet food, consumers have increasingly become more aware and cautious about the products they purchase.
- 53. Recognizing the market for informed customers, who want to purchase products that come from the United States and are safe and contain high quality

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> St. Louis Post Dispatch, Pet Food Supplier Accused of Too Many Chicken Feathers, Not Enough Chicken, March 7, 2017. http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/pet-food-supplier-accused-of-too-manychicken-feathers-not/article\_b88af797-c3fe-56d1-a682-2c870a5669fb.html (last visited April 20, 2017).

ingredients, Defendants advertises and labels its products in this way in order to entice these customers, including Plaintiffs, to purchase its Pet Food for their pets. Exhibit B, listing of Defendants's Pet Foods.

54. Evanger's has been an independent business for over 80 years, owned by the Sher family since 2002, with a self-proclaimed mission to develop "quality" products for companion pets. It specifically says that it "sell[s] our products exclusively through independent neighborhood pet shops where quality and customer service are of the utmost importance." Plaintiffs purchased Defendants's Pet Foods at an independent, local pet store, called Healthier Choices.

Defendants to capitalize on the opportunity to promote itself as a producer of healthier, safe, alternative pet foods. Some small, independent pet food companies, including Party Animal, in the wake of recalls, decided to partner with Evanger's to make their organic pet food. Shawna Abrams, one of the co-owners of Party Animal, said at the time that "marketing our new food to retailers would have been a tougher sell, but with news of the recall [of Menu Foods' pet food], suddenly everyone wanted untainted, natural food like ours." 14

56. On the home page of its website, as recently as February 17, 2017, Evanger's prominently stated that "Healthy Food Makes Happy Pets," "No additives, artificial ingredients, or preservative," "The Evanger's Difference" is:



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Evanger's, About Us, https://evangersdogfood.com/about-us/ (last visited April 27, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Pet Product News, Business Builder: Private Labels Profit Potential, April 17, 2015 http://www.petproductnews.com/April-2015/Business-Builder-Private-Labels-Profit-Potential/ (last visited April 25, 2017) (emphasis added).

Evanger's, Home, https://evangersdogfood.com/ (last visited February 17, 2017) (emphasis added). As of the filing of this complaint this language has been removed.

57. In describing its products, Evanger's stated as recently as February 17, 2017, that it only uses quality, all-natural, "human-grade USDA inspected meats," stating, in pertinent part:

Evanger's utilizes human-grade USDA inspected meats to make highly palatable and nutritious foods that will satisfy even the most finicky eater. With no soy, corn, wheat, artificial ingredients, harmful additives, preservatives or by-products, Evanger's canned meals make an excellent mixer to our dry foods. Not only do they offer your pet a variety in taste, our gourmet dinners offer the additional nutritional benefits your pet needs. Natural Vitamins and minerals are blended with the all-natural meats for ultimate nutrition that are completely balanced meals for all life stages, ages, and breeds.

Our Hand Packed Edition is a monumental improvement in canned dog and cat foods. We have taken our extraordinary product and made it even better by filling each can individually with one pair of hands, instead of machines. The benefit of this process is that you, the consumer, can actually see the quality ingredients in its original form; whole, pure meats and fresh vegetables without any additives or by products. Your pets will think they are being treated like kings and queens!

Since the 2003 addition of the Hand Packed foods, Evanger's family of foods has expanded to include the following groups of *exceptional* foods and treats...

Manufacturing Process

Evanger's cans are packed with natural, raw ingredients in their own

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natural juices. The ingredients are then cooked entirely inside the sealed can to lock in the nutrients and flavor of each variety. This process assures both wholesome nutrition for long life and good health, plus the great taste your dog and cat will love. Naturally the best!<sup>15</sup>

- 58. In order to attract other companies' brands to its manufacturing, Evanger's touts its use of "the highest quality of pet food available," and that "[b]y working closely with local suppliers, we are able to keep raw material prices steady while delivering top quality products.<sup>16</sup>
- 59. Evanger's co-owner, Chelsea Sher, responded about six months to a customer's question posted on the Hunk of Beef page that Evanger's quality is assured by its hand-selection of meats and suppliers and inspections for freshness and quality:

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(A) Rixxo

Rixxon - 2 months ago

My dogs love your hunk of beef dog food, it is rather costly what can you do to assure me your using quality meat, it looks great, but it scares me all the stuff you hear about dog foods, only dogfood of it's kind.

Answer this Question

Chelsea S - 6 menths ago

Dear Rixxon, The wonderful thing about the Hunk of Beef product is that it's a very visual product where you can see the wholesomeness and integrity of the meat itself. Our meat is sourced locally and goes rate the can fresh like do hand-select our meat and ingredient suppliers based on our own quality standards, and inspect all product that armses in our facetry for firstness and quality.

Helpful? Yes 9 No 0 Report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Evanger's, About Our Products, https://evangersdogfood.com/about-us/about-our-products/ (last visited February 17, 2017) (emphasis added). As of the filing of this complaint, the words "human grade" have been removed from this page although Evanger's continues to maintain that its products are "*USDA inspected*."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Evanger's, Private Label Services, https://evangersdogfood.com/about-us/private-label-services/ (last visited April 27, 2017) (emphasis added).

Evanger's, Hunk of Beef, https://evangersdogfood.com/product/20109/ (last visited April 27, 2017).

- 60. Evanger's has close, long standing relationships with its suppliers, some for over forty years, including the supplier of its Hunk of Beef and Pulled Pork.<sup>17</sup>
- 61. As recently as February 9, 2017, Evanger's touted that its "Grain Free Hand Packed" specialties, including Hunk of Beef and Braised Beef, with "fresh, natural and superior ingredients (no by-products) ensure *quality on a human-grade level.*" It states that its cooking process softens its recipes with bones making them "edible, safe, wholesome and highly digestible." 18
- 62. Evanger's touts that Hunk of Beef is its best seller, and that it sells more than one million cans of a year. It labels Hunk of Beef as "100% beef," "cRc Kosher for Passover," with a picture of a human steak dinner, and the statement "Foodies Choice" typically used to describe picky people, who only eat what they consider the best quality and tasting foods, <sup>19</sup>:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Evanger's, Voluntary Recall, posted February 3, 3017, https://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/pug-family-updates/ (last visited February 17, 2017) (since removed).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Evanger's, Dog Food, Grain Free Hand Packed, https://evangersdogfood.com/dog-food/grain-free-hand-packed/ (last visited February 9, 2017) (emphasis added). As of the date of this complaint, the words "human grade level" have been removed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Evanger's, Voluntary Recall, posted January 4, 2017, http://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/pug-family-updates/ (last visited February 17, 2017) (since removed).

EVANGERS HUNK OF BEEF

## HUNK OF BEEF - PACKED BY HAND!

Premium tender 100% beef roast cooked in its own juices serves up a meaty supplement.

\$ 36.91

63. Evanger's also offered its Braised Beef as uncut pieces of meat in gravy, with a label that says "100% Beef Meat" and a picture of a human steak meal:



### BRAISED BEEF CHUNKS WITH GRAVY PACKED BY HAND!

A hearty dinner of tender chunks of beef with market fresh vegetables of peas and carrots together with nutritious gravy

Grain Free!

\$ 36.91

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64. On its website, Evanger's posted a video of Defendants's co-owner, Chelsea Sher, touting its "people food for pets," in which she eats some Hunk of Beef to show that it is edible by people<sup>20</sup>:

Chelsea Sher Eats Evanger's Dog Food



65. In addition to its Hand Packed lines, Evanger's also carries an "Organic People Food for Pets" line certified by Oregon Tilth for its "handling" process. Oregon Tilth permits non-organic products on the same line as organic products if there are sufficient measures and procedures in place, including cleaning and sanitation, to protect organic product from contamination or commingling of any non-organic material<sup>21</sup>:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Evanger's, News & Events, Chelsea Sher Eats Evanger's Dog Food, Published on You Tube August 25, 2015, https://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/recent-press/ and https://youtu.be/RQekr7QtSiI (last visited May 15, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Oregon Tilth, Processing and Handling FAQ, https://tilth.org/app/uploads/2014/12/BrandsMarketersManufacturersFAQ.pdf (last visited May 2, 2017).

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Organic People Food for Pets!





#### 100% ORGANIC COOKED CHICKEN

## ORGANIC TURKEY WITH POTATO & CARROTS DINNER

A whole dressed organic chicken simmered in natural well water is a

Organic turkey with organic market-fresh vegetables create a wholesome dinner.

66. Evanger's provides display materials to retailers to place in their stores next to Defendants's products, without specifying the precise products to which they apply, which advertise Evanger's as "Green," "USDA Organic" - subject to the same requirements as human food, "Oregon Tilth" certified, and similar to organic standards, in order to entice customers to purchase them:



67. Evanger's offers other "all-natural, meat-based" pet foods for dogs, cats and ferrets with "no by-products, additives or preservatives." In addition to its Grain Free Hand Packed and Organics lines, Evanger's offers Classic Line, Dry Foods, Grain Free Game Meats, Nothing but Natural – "made of 100% whole muscle meat," Signature Series, Super Premium – that are "completely balanced, highly nutritious, great tasting, innovative meals" and "holistic," Jerky Treats, Freeze Dried Treats and Ferret food.<sup>22</sup>

- 68. Evanger's states that is "100% committed to the safety of its products."23
- 69. Similar to Evanger's brand name, its Against the Grain brand also touts its "carefully selected," "highest quality," "human grade," "meat-based" Pet Foods: 85% Meat. 0% Grain.

Because dogs and cats are primarily carnivores, we have designed all of our formulations to include at least 85% meat. But not only do we make meat-dominant foods, but our proteins are all of high quality, and only sourced from human grade facilities. They never contain growth hormones and are anti-biotic free. To show you how proud we are of our carefully selected ingredients, we do not make a traditional, loaf-style food. Instead, we hand fill all of our canned foods so that you can see the quality of our hand pulled meats and fresh caught fish right when you open a can of Against the Grain pet foods, instead of "mystery meat."

Our Mission.

Our mission is to improve the health and quality of life of our companion pets through the development of the safest, most nutritious, and palatable pet

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Evanger's, About Us, Product Guide, https://evangersdogfood.com/about-us/product-guide/ (last visited May 2, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Evanger's, News, Voluntary Recall, https://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/updates/ (last visited April 27, 2017).

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products available. We believe that our *high quality products* should not only sustain our companion pets, but our emphasis on palatability also increases their enjoyment of life—like you and I.

All That.

Instead of conforming to all other pet food companies' traditions of making foods, who use a top-down approach when creating pet food, Against the Grain started with a bottom-up approach. We first asked, "What is the best pet food that can be made, then how do we make it." The end result offers the smartest choice for a *healthy* and happy pet. All of foods are *minimally processed at our own factories*, and all processing methods are designed to ensure that the integrity of the proteins, vitamins, and natural enzymes are maintained.

Against the Grain *uses all fresh ingredients*, and has designed all foods to be grain-free and gluten-free. We NEVER use corn, wheat, or soy. We have taken steps to use sustainable and green resources; our fresh-caught fish-based cat canned foods are dolphin-safe and turtle-safe. Our meat products are all GMO and anti-biotic free. Finally, we use the maximum amount of recyclable materials in our retail packaging, and use strictly skylights in our manufacturing plant.<sup>24</sup>

70. In describing why it started Against the Grain, Evanger's states that it wanted to make Pet Foods that were "second to none" with its number one criteria being "SAFETY." It boasts that unlike other brands, it owns its manufacturing

Against the Grain, About the Food,

http://www.againstthegrainpetfood.com/about-the-food/ (last visited May 2, 2017) (emphasis added).

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73. Evanger's also manufacturers pet foods for Party Animal, which makes similar representations about its organic pet food, including that it uses the "best" and "healthiest" ingredients in its products.<sup>26</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Against the Grain, About Us, http://www.againstthegrainpetfood.com/about-us/ (last May 2, 2017) (capitalization in original).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Party Animal, Our Story and FAQ, http://partyanimalpetfood.com/ (last visited May 3, 2017).

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74. On its website, Party Animal details the USDA's National Organic Program which requires that, in pertinent part:

organic ingredients are free of pesticides, synthetic fertilizers, antibiotics, growth hormones, GMO's (genetically modified organisms), by-products, artificial colors, flavors and preservatives. Organic livestock may not be given antibiotics, growth hormones or any animal-byproducts. They can only be fed organic feed and must have access to the outdoors. All certified USDA organic pet products must *meet the same USDA requirements as human food*.

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A complete breakdown of our formula, including sources of each ingredient is required as part of the organic certifying agency's review and approval process. This independent third-party review and approval process is unique in pet food/treats.

*Id.* (emphasis added).

75. Party Animal also states that some of its products are labeled certified by Oregon Tilth, which "inspects [its] production facility and reviews each ingredient used in our organic formulas . . . including sources of each ingredient is required as part of the agency's review and approval process to certify that the federal organic standards are met." *Id*.

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76. Party Animal's Cocolicious line states that its products are USDA organic certified, including its beef and contain "no junk or weird stuff," including Cocolicious Organic Beef & Turkey dog food and Cocolicious Organic Chicken &

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#### III. EVANGER'S HISTORY WITH REGULATORS AND THE LAW

77. Since 2002, when the Shers purchased Evanger's, the company has been plagued by issues with regulators, law enforcement and lawsuits. After numerous complaints from residents about its putrid odor, in 2006, the Village of Wheeling, Illinois, filed a lawsuit against Evanger's for violation of several ordinances relating

to sanitation, rotting meat, sewage and insects. After many years of litigation and continued problems at Evanger's facility, which even forced the relocation of a children's summer camp, the state appellate court affirmed a trial court's granting of summary judgment in favor of the Village of Wheeling, and ordered Evanger's to pay \$316,500 in restitution. *The Village of Wheeling v. Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Co., Inc.*, No. 06 MC3 013933-01, 2012 IL App (1st) 113100-U (Nov. 28, 2012).

- 78. Evanger's is also no stranger to the FDA. On April 24, 2008, the FDA issued an order requiring Evanger's to obtain an emergency permit from the agency before its canned pet food products could enter interstate commerce, after an inspection found "significant deviations from prescribed documentation of processes, equipment, and recordkeeping" in its canned food production. The FDA indicated that these problems "could result in under-processed pet foods, which can allow the survival and growth of Clostridium botulinum (C. botulinum), a bacterium that causes botulism in some animals as well as in humans."
- 79. The FDA initially approved a temporary emergency permit, based on a finding that Evanger's had taken corrective actions to address these issues. However, shortly thereafter, in June 2009, the FDA revoked the permit after FDA inspections determined that Evanger's was not operating in compliance with the permit's mandatory requirements and conditions. <sup>28</sup>
- 80. In May 2011, the FDA revisited Evanger's. This time the FDA issued a warning letter to Evanger's, finding that its Lamb and Rice and Grain Free Duck Pet

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> FDA, FDA Orders Pet Food Maker to Obtain Emergency Operating Permit, dated April 24, 2008, https://wayback.archive-

it.org/7993/20170114031812/http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAn nouncements/2008/ucm116886.htm (last visited May 15, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> North Carolina Academy of Small Animal Medicine, Recalls, FDA Suspends Temporary Emergency Permit of Pet Food Maker, dated June 12, 2009, http://www.ncasam.org/educator/article/349/ (last visited May 15, 2017).

Foods were adulterated and misbranded in violation of federal law because they did not contain any lamb or duck, respectively. The FDA also stated that Evanger's failed to provide processing and production records upon written demand as required.<sup>29</sup>

- 81. Evanger's problems do not stop with its Pet Food; it has also been accused of failing to properly pay its employees pursuant to federal law. In January 2009, several employees filed a class action lawsuit against the company, *Barragan et al. v. Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Co., Inc.*, 1:09-cv-00227 (N.D. Ill. Jan. 13, 2009), alleging that they were not paid overtime in violation of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act. After the court granted certification to the class, the parties agreed to settle, and the court granted final approval of the settlement in September 15, 2010. *Barrangan*, Docket 87 (entered Sept. 17, 2017).
- 82. Aside from their entanglements with regulators and civil lawsuits, Evanger's owners, Holly and Joel Sher, have been convicted of criminal activity. In May 2010, they were arrested and charged with felony theft and money laundering for stealing almost \$2 million in utilities for Evanger's pet food manufacturing plant. The prosecutor commented that the Shers showed a callous disregard for their employees' safety by exposing them to dangerous situations over many years in the course of orchestrating their utility theft scheme.<sup>30</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> FDA, Evanger's Dog & Cat Food Company, Inc. 5/5/11, dated May 5, 2011, https://wayback.archive-it.org/7993/20170112193647/http://www.fda.gov/ICECI/EnforcementActions/WarningLetters/2011/ucm255000.htm (last visited May 15, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Chicago Tribune, Lincolnwood couple charged in utility theft scheme, March 25, 2010, http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2010-03-25/news/ct-met-electricity-theft-0325-20100325\_1\_nicor-gas-gas-meters-joel-sher (last visited May 15, 2017).

83. During the utility theft litigation, in 2013, Joel Sher was charged with subornation of perjury, bribery and communicating with a witness when he tried to bribe a witness to change his testimony for \$5,000.31

# IV. DEFENDANTS'S PET FOOD POISONS PLAINTIFFS' PETS AND ONE PET DIES

- 84. Relying on Defendants's marketing and advertising of its products, Plaintiffs purchased Defendants's Pet Foods for four years as a treat for their five dogs. On New Year's Eve, December 31, 2016, Plaintiff Nicole Mael purchased several of Evanger's products at her local pet food store, Healthier Choices, including cans of Hunk of Beef and Pulled Beef.
- 85. Immediately after her five dogs consumed the Hunk of Beef, they began acting intoxicated and non-responsive suffering from acute neurological symptoms. Plaintiffs rushed them to an emergency vet. One of their dogs, Talula died from the poisoning from the Hunk of Beef the next day, January 1, 2017. The other four have undergone continued veterinary care, including Tito, who remains on seizure medication.<sup>32</sup>
- 86. After Talula's death, Plaintiffs, working with the FDA, requested that a necropsy be performed on the animal's body to determine the cause of death. The necropsy was performed at Oregon State University Veterinary Diagnostic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Chicago Tribune, Man accused of trying to bribe witness, Feb. 9, 2013, http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2013-02-09/news/chi-man-accused-of-trying-to-bribe-witness-20130209\_1\_bribe-witness-power-lines-gas-flow (last visited May 15, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> FDA, CVM Updates, FDA Cautions Pet Owners and Caretakers Not to Feed Certain Evanger's or Against the Grain Canned Pet Foods Due to Adulteration with Pentobarbital ("FDA Caution"), posted February 17, 2017 https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/NewsEvents/CVMUpdates/ucm 542265.htm (last visited May 9, 2017).

Laboratory ("OSU"), on January 3, 2017. The necropsy found "partially digested kibble," and it could not rule out neurotoxicocis until the stomach contents and remaining can of Hunk of Beef were tested. Exhibit C, OSU, Case Summary at 1.

87. On January 3, 2017, after Talula's death and neurotoxicocis not being ruled out in the necropsy, while awaiting further testing results of Talula's stomach and the Pet Foods, Plaintiff Nicole Mael emailed Brett Sher at Evanger's, and included the FDA in the communication, to provide notice of the issue as follows:

I wanted to contact you and let you know my 5 dogs became ill after eating Evangers hunk of Beef with A Jus. The lot number is 181 6E O6HB 13 exp June 2020. Please, please recall this food so no other person goes through what I am going through. Nikki Mael

- 88. The FDA directed that further testing of the animal's stomach contents and the remaining un-opened cans of Hunk of Beef be performed at Michigan State University, Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health ("MSU"). On January 17, 2017, MSU clinical toxicologist John P. Buchweitz performed the testing, and confirmed that both the Hunk of Beef dog food and Talula's stomach contents tested positive for "large quantity chromatographically" of pentobarbital. On January 23, 2017, Dr. Buchweitz notified OSU and Plaintiffs of the results. He requested that Plaintiffs send the opened can of the Hunk of Beef for testing. Exhibit C, MSU, Toxicology at 1-2.
- 89. On January 26, 2017, the FDA notified Plaintiffs that the un-opened Hunk of Beef dog food also tested positive for an "abundant amount" of pentobarbital. *See* Exhibit C, OSU, Case Summary at 2 and MSU, Toxicology at 1.
- 90. The FDA testing confirmed that Talula's stomach contents, an open can of Hunk of Beef fed to Plaintiffs' pets, and unopened cans of Against the Grain

and Hunk of Beef purchased by Plaintiffs and from the retailer, Healthier Choices, where Plaintiffs purchased their pet food, *all* contained pentobarbital.<sup>33</sup>

- 91. As of the filing of this complaint, Plaintiffs have expended over \$6,000.00 on veterinary care relating to their pets eating Hunk of Beef, including but not limited to emergency hospitalization in attempts to save their pets' lives, ongoing monitoring and medications.
- 92. In addition to the estimated thousands of dollars that Plaintiffs have spent purchasing Evanger's Pet Foods over the last four years, Plaintiffs have spent an average of \$100 a week on making their own food for their pets to ensure that it is healthy and safe.

# V. FDA'S INVESTIGATION CONFIRMS PENTOBARBITAL IN EVANGER'S PET FOODS AND LEADS TO PRODUCT RECALLS

- 93. In addition to the aforementioned testing involving Talula and Plaintiffs' can of Hunk of Beef, the FDA performed additional testing of Defendants' Pet Foods and investigated Defendants' facilities. The testing and investigations further confirmed the adulteration of Evanger's Pet Foods and misrepresentations to customers.
- 94. On January 10, 2017, the FDA began inspections of Evanger's production facilities. During this inspection, it collected and tested two cans of Against the Grain's Pulled Beef that also tested positive for pentobarbital.<sup>34</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> FDA Caution, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterninary/NewsEvents/CVM Updates/ucm542265.htm (last visited April 25, 2017); Exhibit C, OSU report at 2 (Addendum 1/23/17 "Testing of the feed and stomach contents has found pentobarbital") and MSU report at 1 (feed and stomach contents "positive" for "pentobarbital (euthanasia agent –large quantity chromatographically) "If this sample came directly from a can, this is an urgent matter and needs to be reported to the FDA Feed Safety Portal.")

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> FDA Q&A, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/ProductSafety

95. In its review of Defendants' records, the FDA found the bill of lading of Evanger's meat supplier stating it was "Inedible Hand Deboned Beef" "FOR PET FOOD USE ONLY. NOT FIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION." The FDA determined that the supplier "does *not* have a grant of inspection [or inspection mark] from the United States Department of Agriculture's Food Safety Inspection Service" and "would *not* be considered human grade." The FDA also indicated that the supplier's export certification under APHIS was not active or valid. "The FDA's preliminary assessment indicates that *none* of [Evanger's] suppliers are USDA-FSIS registered facilities."

96. The FDA published its observations in a "Form 483", which "noted numerous significant concerns with conditions" from its inspection of Evanger's facilities in Wheeling, Illinois, and Nutripack, LLC in Markham, Illinois, where Joel Sher is listed as the President and Manager, respectively.<sup>36</sup>

97. The inspection report for Defendants' Wheeling facility revealed that cans of Hunk of Beef and Pulled Beef from that facility tested positive for pentobarbital. It also noted condensation dripping into its cans of Pet Foods, including Hunk of Beef. It described pools of water, peeling paint, mold, and live fly-like insect where Pet Food was exposed. It also noted an open sanitary sewer within 25 feet of food storage and processing. The FDA noted a lack of refrigerated storage facilities or other means of controlling the temperature of exposed raw meat that were instead stored at ambient temperature. The FDA also noted "frozen ice containing a blood-like substance across the floors of the three trailers, and also on

Informaton/ucm544348.htm (last visited May 9, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> *Id.* (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> FDA Cautions, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/NewsEvents/CVM Updates/ucm542265.htm; Exhibit D, Form 483 FDA Inspections of Evanger's facilities.

the ground immediately outside of two of the trailer doors." Exhibit D, Wheeling facility Form 483.

98. The inspection report for Evanger's Markham facility likewise indicated that Pulled Beef tested positive for pentobarbital. It also stated that this facility's Pet Foods are adulterated where they were prepared, packed, or held under insanitary conditions that may have contaminated them or made them unhealthy. The FDA noted that, on four different dates, condensation was dripping throughout the processing and storage facility and into open cans of Pet Food, and that the floor was damaged in a manner that caused pools of water to form. The report stated that frozen and raw meats were prepared for processing while having direct contact with insanitary, bare, paint peeling and unprotected concrete flooring. The report noted that employees were cutting raw chicken parts on untreated wooden building construction lumber. The report observed birds feeding on spilled pet food, resting in rafters and flying throughout the warehouse. Exhibit D, Markham facility Form 483.

99. The FDA confirmed at the time that it had received ten complaints, which it was continuing to follow up on, regarding Evanger's products, including five suggesting pentobarbital poisoning involving Hunk of Beef and Braised Beef.<sup>37</sup>

100. USDA-FSIS also tested Hunk of Beef products, and found the meat was bovine (beef) with "trace amounts" of pork and equine.<sup>38</sup>

101. The FDA encourages facilities to initiate a voluntary recall and to update the product involved in the recall as more information becomes available. It also states that "it is *not* acceptable to use animals euthanized with a chemical substance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> FDA Q&A, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/Product SafetyInformation/ ucm544348.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> FDA Caution, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/NewsEvents/CVM Updates/ucm542265.htm.

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in pet or other animal foods" and that there is **no** acceptable level of pentobarbital in pet food. It also noted that due to the irregular distribution of meat from various animals in the "chunk of beef" products, that "if even one can tests positive for pentobarbital, we have to consider the possibility that some, but not necessarily all other cans in that lot will also test positive."<sup>39</sup>

102. On February 3, 2017, following discussion with the FDA, Evanger's initiated a voluntary recall of certain lots of Hunk of Beef: 1816E03HB, 1816E04HB, 1816E06HB, 1816E07HB and 1816E13HB with an expiration date of June 2020. The lots were distributed to fifteen states, Washington, California, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Maryland, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.<sup>40</sup>

103. On February 9, 2017, after the FDA's test of two cans of Against the Grain's Pulled Beef were positive for pentobarbital from the same Evanger's facility, and after discussions with the FDA, Evanger's initiated a voluntary recall of Pulled Beef lot 2415E01ATB12, with an expiration date of December 2019, manufactured and distributed in December 2015 to Washington and Maryland, which it announced publicly on February 13, 2017.<sup>41</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> FDA Q&A, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/Product SafetyInformation/ ucm544348.htm (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> FDA, Recalls, Market Withdrawals, & Safety Alerts, Evanger's Voluntarily Recalls Hunk of Beef Because of Pentobarbital Exposure in one Batch of Food, February 3, 2017 ("Hunk of Beef Recall Feb. 3, 2017"), https://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm539900.htm (last visited May 11, 2017); FDA Caution, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/NewsEvents/CVMUpdates/ucm542265.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> FDA Caution, posted February 17, 2017, https://www.fda.gov/Animal Veterinary/NewsEvents/CVM Updates/ucm542265.htm; FDA, Recalls, Market Withdrawals, & Safety Alerts, Against the Grain Pet Food Voluntarily Recalls One Lot of Pulled Beef Due to Potential Adulteration with Pentobarbital, February 14, 2017 ("Pulled Beef Recall Feb. 14, 2017"), https://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/

104. On February 14, 2017, the FDA concluded that it was unable to determine from Evanger's available records whether any of Evanger's other products, or any products Evanger's makes for other companies, contained the beef that went into the recalled products.<sup>42</sup>

105. On February 20, 2017, Evanger's notified the FDA that it planned to recall *all* "chunk of beef" products.

106. On February 27, 2017, the FDA became aware that Evanger's was notifying distributors and retailers of a new recall for its *Braised Beef*, bar code 20107, without explanation, as well as *expanding the prior recall* of Hunk of Beef, bar code 20109, and Pulled Beef, bar code 80001, manufactured from December 2015 to January 2017, with expiration dates December 2019 to January 2021.<sup>43</sup>

107. Upon information and belief, Evanger's has not provided customers who purchased its Pet Foods with a refund based upon the value of the products purchased and not returned.

108. Upon information and belief, retailers also were not given a refund for the recalled products that were returned by customers, or for Evanger's other products that retailers had been unable to sell following the recall.

109. On April 17, 2017, nearly four months after Plaintiffs' dogs were

ucm541692.htm (last visited May 11, 2017); Against the Grain, Voluntary Recall, http://www.againstthegrainpetfood.com/about\_us/voluntary-recall/ (last visited May 11, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> FDA Q&A, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/ProductSafety Information/ucm544348.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> FDA Caution, updated March 2, 2017, htttps://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/NewsEvents/CVM Updates/ucm542265.htm; FDA, Recalls, Market Withdrawals, & Safety Alerts, Evanger's Pet Food and Against the Grain Voluntarily Recalls Additional Products Out of Abundance of Caution due to Potential Adulteration with Pentobarbital, March 3, 2017 ("Expanded Recall Mar. 3, 2017"), http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm544972.htm (last visited May 11, 2017).

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poisoned by Evanger's Pet Foods, another company's brand made my Evanger's in 2015 was recalled. After a dog became sick from eating Party Animal's products, and testing from Texas A&M confirmed that Cocolicious Beef & Turkey dog food (Lot #0134E15204 04, best by July 2019) and Cocolicious Chicken & Beef dog food (Lot #0134E15237 13, best by August 2019) ("Cocolicious Beef Products") contained pentobarbital, Party Animal initiated a recall. Party Animal indicated that it is working with distributors and retailers to determine if any additional beefflavored products remain on shelves. It also stated that it is having "extensive discussions" with Evanger's regarding the cause of the contamination of its pet food and re-examining its manufacturing processes.<sup>44</sup>

# VI. EVANGER'S PET FOODS ARE DECEPTIVELY AND FALSELY LABELED

### A. Evanger's Denials Further Misrepresent Its Pet Foods

the Pet Foods and Talula's stomach contents, Evanger's posted on its website that the lot #1816E06HB13 went to only one distributor in Washington. Even though it later recalled all its lots of Hunk of Beef as well as Braised Beef and Pulled Beef, Evanger's stated that no other flavors of its Pet Foods were affected, and that all other products "are entirely safe to feed your and our own pets." Evanger's also maintained that every batch of its Pet Foods "is reviewed by a graduate from the FDA Better Processing School" and is cooked in compliance with "Evanger's FDA Scheduled File Process." Evanger's was also quick to cast blame on Plaintiffs without explanation or evidence stating "we have nothing to show that there is any issue with the food such as a veterinary report. We believe that *other factors are* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> FDA, Recalls, Market Withdrawals, & Safety Alerts, Party Animal Recalls Dog Food Due to Potential Presence of Pentobarbital, Posted April 25, 2017 ("Party Animal Recall"), https://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm554771.htm (last visited May 11, 2017).

*involved* that we are not aware of at this time, but will come to light when we are able to have a dialogue with [Plaintiffs]. . . . we anticipate at the conclusion of our investigation the test results will come back negative for any pathogens or toxins."45

111. On January 16, 2017, six days after the FDA began inspecting Evanger's facilities and testing unopened cans of Pet Foods that it found adulterated, Evanger's posted on its website that its four preliminary tests all came back negative, and it expected its final results to be the same. Again, without explanation, Evanger's pointed fingers at Plaintiffs stating that it has been "unable to find any connection between the alleged incident and our foods, nor is there any veterinary or medical evidence to support the claims of responsibility."

112. On January 23, 2017, at the same time that the FDA tests confirmed that Talula's stomach contents and Hunk of Beef had tested positive for pentobarbital (see Exhibit C), Evanger's again stated that its testing for commercial sterility came back "sterile," meaning it contained no pathogens or harmful bacteria. It thanked "everyone who waited for all the test results before drawing any conclusions." It again falsely claimed that it is a "5-star pet food that not only improves your pet's health, but overall well-being and longevity through clean, healthy food."<sup>47</sup>

113. On January 30, 2017, despite the FDA's ongoing testing that confirmed pentobarbital in its Pet Foods and investigation of Evanger's facilities at this time, Evanger's stated that it will not "respond to any unverifiable reports or unsubstantiated rumors that are intended to deceive the public" relating to the FDA and Evanger's Pet Foods. It falsely stated that the FDA has not completed any

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Evanger's, News-Events, Voluntary Recall ("Voluntary Recall on Website"), posted Jan. 4, 2017, https://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/pug-family-updates/ (last visited Feb. 17, 2017) (emphasis added) (since removed).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> *Id.*, posted Jan. 16, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> *Id.*, posted Jan. 23, 2017.

additional tests and "as far as Evanger's is aware and, we believe, the FDA is aware, none of our foods have been reported to contain pentobarbital or any other contaminant."<sup>48</sup>

114. In its February 3, 2017 recall notice, a month after Plaintiffs notified it of the issue, Evanger's stated that the recall only affects 5 lots of food, "which [are] specifically used for the Hunk of Beef product and *no other products*." The recall notice also stated, in pertinent part:

All Evanger's suppliers of meat products are *USDA approved*. The beef supplier provides us with beef chunks from cows that are slaughtered in a *USDA facility*. . . Because we source from suppliers of meat products that are *USDA approved*, and no other products have had any reported problems, we are not extending the recall to other supplier lots.<sup>49</sup>

115. On February 3, 2017, Evanger's stated on its website that it had terminated its relationship with its meat supplier of over forty years, and that the supplier's meat was *not used in any other products*. Evanger's stated that it did not know about pentobarbital in its products, or test for it previously, because Evanger's does not have any rendered materials in its supply chain, which includes products from animals that have died by means other than slaughter, and further stated that "[a]ll of our raw materials are sourced from *USDA-inspected facilities*, and many of them are suppliers with whom we have had long-standing relationships." 50

116. On February 13, 2017, however, Evanger's recalled yet another product, one lot of Against the Grain Pulled Beef. Evanger's again stated that the recall

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> Id., posted Jan. 30, 2017 (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Hunk of Beef Recall Feb. 3, 2017, https://www.fda/Safety/Recalls/ucm539900. htm (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> Voluntary Recall on Website, posted Feb. 3, 2017, https://evangersdogfood.com/news-events/pug-family-updates/ (emphasis added).

"affects no other lot numbers, and no other flavors" and reiterated that it makes "products that are of the best quality available for pets."51

117. On February 17, 2017, the FDA publicly corrected Evanger's misrepresentations that its beef comes from a "USDA approved" supplier. The FDA confirmed that the bill of lading that the meat supplier provided to Evanger's indicated that its beef was "inedible hand deboned beef" and "not fit for human consumption." The FDA stated that the supplier does not have a USDA grant of inspection nor a USDA inspection mark, and that the meat is not human grade. The FDA again stated that only USDA-FSIS regulates the slaughter of animals for human consumption, and USDA-FSIS did not inspect Evanger's meat supplier. It also stated that testing by USDA-FSIS found that Evanger's Hunk of Beef, labeled as "100% beef," contained trace amounts of pork and equine as well as beef.<sup>52</sup>

118. The FDA also reiterated in a "Q&A" about Evanger's that *none* of Evanger's suppliers are USDA-FSIS registered facilities.<sup>53</sup>

119. Despite the FDA's findings and public statements, as of the date of this complaint, Evanger's continues to make false representations on its website including, in the first sentence about its Pet Foods, that "Evanger's utilizes *USDA* inspected meats to make highly palatable and nutritious foods that will satisfy even the most finicky eater."<sup>54</sup>

120. The Against the Grain website also continues to mislead customers that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Against the Grain, Voluntary Recall, http://www.againstthegrainpetfood.com/about\_us/voluntary-recall/ (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> FDA Caution, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/NewsEvents/CVM Updates/ucm5 42265.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> FDA Q&A, https://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/ProductSafety Information/ucm544348.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Evanger's. About Our Products, https://evangersdogfood.com/about-us/about-our-products/ (emphasis added).

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its Pet Foods are "only sourced from human grade facilities" and that its cat food is "human quality."55

121. On March 3, 2017, after insisting that no other lots or products were affected by its recalls, and two months after Plaintiffs first notified Evanger's of the facts described above, Evanger's announced that it was expanding its recall to all lots of Hunk of Beef and Pulled Beef, and also including a new recall of all Evanger's Braised Beef pet food, without explanation, manufactured between December 2015 and January 2017, with expiration dates of December 2019 through January 2021. Evanger's stated that the "recall affects only Hand Packed Beef Products."56

122. Even after the expanded recall that Defendants stated did not affect any other products, on April 17, 2017, another pet food manufactured by Evanger's, Party Animal's Cocolicious Beef Products, sickened a dog and tested positive for pentobarbital. Party Animal recalled its Cocolicious Beef Products.

123. On May 5, 2017, Party Animal sued Evanger's and Nutripack for damages relating to the recall of its products. (Party Animal, Inc. v. Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Co., Inc., Nutripack, LLC, Does 1-100, No. 2:17-ev-03422-PSG-FFM (C.D. Cal.)) ("Party Animal Lawsuit"). In the lawsuit, Party Animal alleges that its damages include but are not limited to retailers demanding refunds for recalled and non-recalled products and consumers seeking payment of veterinarian bills for treatment after their pets ate Party Animal's products.

124. The Party Animal Lawsuit also alleges that, in order to avoid liability relating to the recalls, Defendants defunded Evanger's corporation and moved their

<sup>55</sup> Against the Grain, About the Food, http://www.againstthegrainpetfood.com/ about-the-food/ and Cat Food, http://www.againstthegrainpetfood.com/humanquality-cat-food/ (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Expanded Recall Mar. 3, 2017, https://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm544972. htm.

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assets to Nutripack. Defendants invoiced Party Animal through Nutripack, instead of Evanger's as they had done for the last decade, beginning in February 2017. In a phone call between Party Animal and Holly Sher, an owner of Evanger's and Nutripack, in April 2017, Sher stated that "they were afraid of getting sued because of the recent recalls, and they were taking money out of Evanger's. She also stated that they did not want to receive any money into Evanger's and would instead run all operations under Nutripack."

125. Evanger's has not made any public comment about Party Animal, and it is unknown if other Evanger's and Against the Grain products or other companies' products that Evanger's makes might also be adulterated, misbranded and unsafe for pets and customers handling them.

# B. Evanger's Admits to Misrepresentations of its Pet Foods in Lawsuit Against Its Meat Supplier

126. Despite its history of run-ins with FDA and other lawsuits, instead of owning up to its misleading advertising of its Pet Foods that poisoned and put at risk animals that consumed its products, Evanger's continues to deflect its responsibility by blaming others for its recalls.

127. On April 25, 2017, Evanger's filed a lawsuit seeking multi-millions in damages against Bailey Farms, LLC ("Bailey"), its hand-selected, meat supplier for *over 40 years*, located at 549 Karem Drive, Marshall, Wisconsin, in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois (Case No. 2017-L-004153). Evanger's alleges that Bailey sold it meat that tested positive for pentobarbital including the shipments that were used in cans of the Pet Foods that Plaintiffs purchased on December 31, 2016 that poisoned Plaintiffs' dogs, including Talula, who died as a result.<sup>57</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> The lawsuit is referred to herein as the "Bailey Lawsuit" and the paragraphs in the complaint are cited to herein as "Compl. ¶."

128. In the lawsuit, Evanger's admits that on June 2, 2016, it received 42,340 pounds of "Inedible Hand Deboned Beef" "For Pet Food Use Only. Not Fit for Human Consumption" from Bailey for an invoice price of \$15,789.30. Evanger's used this meat that was not certified or inspected for human food by the USDA to make 50,000 cans of Hunk of Beef, including lot #1816EO6HB13 from which Plaintiffs purchased three cans that were fed to their dogs and caused the dogs' illnesses. Exhibit E, Bailey's Bill of Lading and Invoice to Evanger's for meat used in Hunk of Beef (Compl. ¶¶ 7-12 submitted as Exhibits 1 and 2).

129. Evanger's included in its complaint against Bailey the FDA testing results for Hunk of Beef cans from lot #1816EO6HB13, showing that the products tested positive for pentobarbital and phenytoin, an anti-seizure medication. Exhibit F, FDA testing results Hunk of Beef (Compl. ¶ 15, submitted as Exhibit 3).

130. Evanger's also admits in the lawsuit that on November 16, 2015, it received 43,120 pounds of "Inedible Hand Deboned Beef' "For Pet Food Use Only. Not Fit for Human Consumption" from Bailey for an invoice price of \$15,653.20. Evanger's used this meat, that was not certified or inspected for human food by the USDA, to produce cans of Against the Grain Hand Pulled Beef, including lot #2415E01ATB12 from which Plaintiffs purchased three cans. Exhibit G, Bailey's Bill of Lading and Invoice to Evanger's for meat used in Pulled Beef (Compl. ¶¶ 43-45, submitted as Exhibit 5 and 6).

131. Evanger's also included in its complaint the FDA testing results for Pulled Beef cans from lot #2415E01ATB12, showing that these products also tested positive for pentobarbital and phenytoin. Exhibit H, FDA testing results Pulled Beef (Compl. ¶ 45, submitted as Exhibit 7).

132. Evanger's further states in its complaint that "it would be highly unlikely that pentobarbital would be administered to a cow; cows are not generally euthanized." Evanger's also alleges that its own testing found that Hunk of Beef

Beef (Compl. ¶ 17, submitted as Exhibit 4).

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133. In its claims of fraud relating to Bailey's APHIS certification, Evanger's alleges that each bill of lading, invoice and pallet of beef that Bailey shipped to Evanger's contained a tag with Bailey's "APHIS certificate number 'WI-BLO-

from lot #1816EO6HB13, which it labels "100% beef," was not entirely beef, and

instead also found the presence of horse DNA. Exhibit I, DNA testing of Hunk of

0004" that had been expired for years. Evanger's stated that it relied upon these

representations when Evanger's stated to customers that its products came from

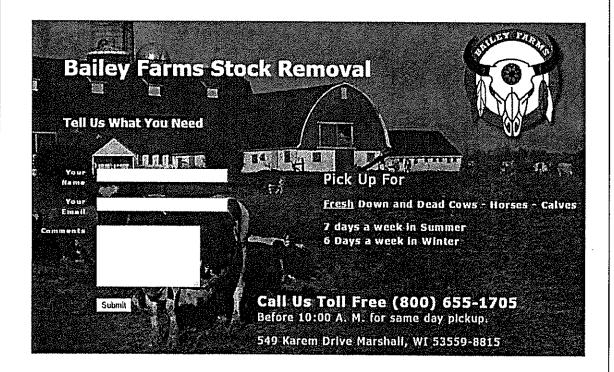
USDA inspected facilities, even though Evanger's continues to make these statements on its website now. Compl. ¶ 58-62, 66-68.

134. As the FDA confirmed and stated in its press releases, however, none of Evanger's suppliers were inspected by USDA-FSIS, which is the only entity that regulates the slaughter of animals for human consumption and speciation. Only meat from a USDA-FSIS facility would be appropriate for Evanger's to represent as "human grade, USDA inspected" meats, and Evanger's products were never certified as such. Further, APHIS only provides a certifications for exporting.<sup>58</sup>

135. In addition to Bailey's pet food company that provides both commercial and retail pet food,<sup>59</sup> Bailey also operates, at the same location, a stock removal company that "picks up fresh, down and dead cows, horses and calves" for use in pet food:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> FDA, Q&A, (last visited May 2, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Bailey Farms, LLC, http://www.baileyfarmspets.com/index.php (last visited May 2, 2017).



Bailey Farms Stock Removal, http://baileyfarmsstockremoval.com/ (last visited May 2, 2017).

136. Evanger's misrepresents to customers that its Pet Foods are "premium," "100% beef" from "USDA-inspected, human grade facilities," when in fact they are not. Evanger's even uses terminology reserved for top human cuisine, like "foodie's choice," to describe its Pet Foods and convince customers that their products are top human grade. Customers, including Plaintiffs, relied on these false representations that the Pet Foods were healthy, high quality and safe, when they purchased Evanger's products and paid a price significantly higher than competing products. In reality, Evanger's Pet Foods were not fit for sale and put consumers' pets at risk of being poisoned. The Pet Foods are misbranded and adulterated, in violation of state and federal law, because they are not from USDA-inspected, human-grade facilities; are made up of animals – cows, horses and pigs – that died by means other

than slaughter; contain poisonous pentobarbital; and were made at Defendants' unsanitary facility that further contaminated them.

137. Evanger's Pet Foods labeled as "USDA-Organic" and "Oregon Tilth certified" mislead customers by indicating that the products are made of high quality, USDA-inspected, human grade ingredients and are made in clean and sanitary facilities. However, the FDA's inspections confirmed that Defendants' facilities are unsanitary exposing its Pet Foods to contamination and health risks, and that the Pet Foods are not sourced from USDA-inspected suppliers and are not human grade. Evanger's meat supplier uses animals that have died by means other than slaughter, rendering those products unsafe, unhealthy, adulterated and misbranded in violation of state and federal law and not compliant with organic or Oregon Tilth standards.

138. Evanger's Pet Foods that are labeled as kosher similarly mislead customers into purchasing these products because customers reasonably believe that the products do not contain certain ingredients, including non-kosher pork, and are otherwise not adulterated. Contrary to the representation of being kosher, the FDA found that Evanger's Pet Foods are made in unsanitary facilities that cause contamination, are not USDA-inspected nor human grade, and are adulterated with pentobarbital and made of animals that did not die by slaughter. The USDA-FSIS's speciation testing also found trace amounts of non-kosher pork and equine, as well as beef, in its Pet Foods.

139. Evanger's has carried out a consistent and widespread campaign of deceptively promoting its Pet Foods as "100% beef," "human grade," "USDA inspected," "safe," "premium, high quality" and even consisting of organic and kosher meat ingredients. Evanger's core marketing statements indicate that its Pet Foods contain 100% beef, contain quality ingredients, are human grade and USDA inspected, despite recalls and FDA inspections and public statements that prove

otherwise. Because the Pet Foods are illegally misbranded and adulterated, they were unfit and unsafe for sale.

140. Defendants' misrepresentations have occurred in at least three forms, all of which constitute "advertising." These include: (i) product packaging, (ii) materials provided to stores that carry Evanger's Pet Foods, and (iii) Evanger's social media and website, through which it directly sells its Pet Foods to the public.

141. Defendants' pervasive advertising message misrepresents the quality of its Pet Foods and the health risks associated with their consumption. FDA testing confirms that the Pet Foods were not human quality, USDA inspected meats, or even beef. Instead, the Pet Foods were manufactured from meat provided by a non-USDA meat supplier that hauls dead cows, horses and calves that did not die by slaughter; contained poisonous pentobarbital from euthanized animals; and were produced at Defendants' unsanitary facilities that contaminated the Pet Foods, making them adulterated under the law, unfit for sale and unsafe for pets to eat and people to handle.

142. Defendants' pattern of deceptive marketing continues today, including false, misleading and deceptive statements relating to "human grade" ingredients from "USDA inspected facilities." Defendants' current advertising conveys the impression that the products are of high quality and safe for companion animals to consume when they are not.

### **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

143. Plaintiffs bring this action as a class action pursuant to Rule 23(a) and (b)(2) and/or (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure ("Rule") for the purpose of asserting the claims alleged in this Complaint on a common basis. Plaintiffs bring this action on behalf of themselves and all members of the following class comprised of:

All persons, exclusive of Defendants and its employees, who purchased in the United States, one or more of Defendants' Pet Foods from June 16, 2013 to the present (the "Nationwide Class").

144. Plaintiffs bring this action on behalf of themselves and all members of the following subclasses comprised of:

All persons, exclusive of Defendants and its employees, who purchased in the State of Washington one or more of Defendants' Pet Foods from June 16, 2013 to the present (the "Washington Subclass").

- 145. The Nationwide Class and the Washington Subclass are collectively referred to herein as the "Classes."
- 146. Plaintiffs reserve the right to modify or amend the definitions of the Classes after they have had an opportunity to conduct discovery.
- 147. Claims I, VIII-XII are brought by Plaintiffs on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide Class. Claims II-VII are brought by Plaintiffs on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 148. Numerosity. Rule 23(a)(1). The members of the Classes are so numerous that their individual joinder is impracticable. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that the proposed Classes contain at least thousands of purchasers of Defendants's Pet Foods who have been damaged by Defendants's conduct as alleged herein. The number of Class members is unknown to Plaintiffs but could be discerned from the records maintained by Defendants.
- 149. Existence of Common Questions of Law and Fact. Rule 23(a)(2). This action involves common questions of law and fact, which include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a. Whether the statements made by Defendants as part of its advertising for its Pet Foods discussed herein are true, or are

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2		material fact described above;
3	Ъ.	Whether Defendants has violated its implied warranties relating
4		to the Pet Foods under the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 15
5		U.S.C. § 2301, et seq.;
6	c.	Whether Defendants has breached its express warranties to
7	de l'article de la company	customers relating to the Pet Foods under Wash. Rev. Code §
8		62A.2-313;
9	d.	Whether Defendants breach its implied warranties of
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11	1 de la companya de l	Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2-314;
12	e.	Whether Defendants' conduct described herein constitutes an
13		unfair and/or deceptive act or practice in violation of the
14		Washington Consumer Protection Act, § 19.86.010, et seq.;
15	f.	Whether Defendants was negligent in its actions under Wash.
16		Rev. Code § 7.72.030(1);
17	g.	Whether Defendants is subject to strict products liability under
18		Wash. Rev. Code § 7.727.030(2);
19	lì.	Whether Defendants was unjustly enriched under Washington
20		law;
21	i.	Whether Defendants' conduct described herein constitutes a
22		unfair and/or deceptive act or practice in violation of the Illinois
23		Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act, 815 Ill.
24		Comp. Stat. 505/1, et seq.
25	j.	Whether Defendants breached its express warranties relating to
26		the Pet Foods to customers under Illinois law;
27	k.	Whether Defendants was negligent under Illinois law;
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- 1. Whether Defendants is liable under Illinois product liability;
- m. Whether Defendants was unjustly enriched under Illinois law;
- n. Whether Plaintiffs and the other members of Classes are entitled to damages; and
- o. Whether Plaintiffs and the Classes are entitled to injunctive relief, restitution or other equitable relief and/or other relief as may be proper.
- subject to and affected by the same conduct and omissions by Defendants. The claims alleged herein are based on the same violations by Defendants that harmed Plaintiffs and members of the Classes. By purchasing Evanger's Pet Foods during the relevant time period, all members of the Classes were subjected to the same wrongful conduct. Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the Classes' claims and do not conflict with the interests of any other members of the Classes. Defendants' unlawful, unfair, deceptive, and/or fraudulent actions concern the same business practices described herein irrespective of where they occurred or were experienced.
- 151. Adequacy. Rule 23(a)(4). Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members of the Classes. Plaintiffs have retained counsel experienced in complex consumer class action litigation, and Plaintiffs intend to prosecute this action vigorously. Plaintiffs have no adverse or antagonistic interests to those of the Classes.
- 152. *Injunctive and Declaratory Relief. Rule 23(b)(2)*. Defendants' actions regarding the deceptions and misrepresentations regarding Evanger's Pet Foods are uniform as to members of the Classes. Defendants has acted or refused to act on grounds that apply generally to the Classes, so that final injunctive relief as requested herein is appropriate respecting the Classes as a whole.

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153. Predominance and Superiority of Class Action. Rule 23(b)(3). Questions of law or fact common to the Classes predominate over any questions affecting only individual members, and a class action is superior to other methods for the fast and efficient adjudication of this controversy, for at least the following reasons:

- a. Absent a class action, members of the Classes as a practical matter will be unable to obtain redress, Defendants' violations of their legal obligations will continue without remedy, additional consumers will be harmed, and Defendants will continue to retain its ill-gotten gains;
- b. It would be a substantial hardship for most individual members of the Classes if they were forced to prosecute individual actions;
- c. When the liability of Defendants has been adjudicated, the Court will be able to determine the claims of all members of the Class;
- d. A class action will permit an orderly and expeditious administration of the claims of each member of the Classes and foster economies of time, effort, and expense;
- e. A class action regarding the issues in this case does not create any problems of manageability; and
- f. Defendants has acted on grounds generally applicable to the members of the Classes, making class-wide monetary relief appropriate.
- 154. Plaintiffs do not contemplate class notice if the Classes are certified under Rule 23(b)(2), which does not require notice, and notice to the putative Classes may be accomplished through publication, signs or placards at the point-of-sale, or other forms of distribution, if necessary; if the Classes are certified under Rule 23(b)(3); or if the Court otherwise determines class notice is required. Plaintiffs

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will, if notice is so required, confer with Defendants and seek to present the Court with a stipulation and proposed order on the details of a class notice program.

### **COUNT I**

### Violation of the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2301, et seq. (on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class)

- 155. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 156. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide Class.
- 157. At all times relevant hereto, there was in full force and effect the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2301, et seq. (the "MMWA").
- 158. Evanger's Pet Foods are consumer products as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 2301(1).
- 159. Evanger's is a supplier and a warrantor as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 2301(4) and (5).
- 160. Plaintiffs and the Class are "consumers" as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 2301(3). They are consumers because they are persons who bought the Pet Foods and are entitled under applicable state law to enforce against the warrantor the obligations of its implied warranty.
- 161. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 2310(e), Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class are entitled to bring this class action and are not required to give Evanger's notice and an opportunity to cure until such time as the Court determines the representative capacity of Plaintiffs pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. However, Plaintiffs already gave the required notice on behalf of themselves and the Classes by email dated January 3, 2017.

- 162. In connection with its sale of the Pet Foods, Evanger's gave an implied warranty as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 2301(7); namely, the implied warranty of merchantability. As a part of the implied warranty of merchantability, Evanger's warranted that the Pet Foods: (a) were fit for its ordinary purpose as safe dog food, (b) would pass without objection in the trade under its contract description as dog food, (c) were adequately contained, packaged and labeled as the agreements required, and (d) conformed to the promises and affirmations of fact set forth on its container and label. Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2–314.
- 163. Evanger's is liable to Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 2310(d)(1), because it breached the implied warranty of merchantability.
- 164. Evanger's initially breached the implied warranty of merchantability as to Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class because the Pet Foods were not fit for the ordinary purposes for which they are used—a safe, healthy, kosher dog food specifically represented as containing USDA inspected, human grade and kosher ingredients. Specifically, Evanger's Pet Foods contained non-USDA inspected and non-human grade ingredients, were adulterated and not 100% beef as labeled, which made them unfit for their ordinary purpose of providing safe, healthy dog food. In fact, Evanger's has caused injury and death to animals, who have consumed the Pet Foods.
- 165. Evanger's further breached its implied warranty of merchantability to Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class because the Pet Foods were adulterated in violation of federal and state law, because they contained poisonous pentobarbital, were made in unsanitary conditions that contaminated them, and contained animals that did not die by slaughter.
- 166. Evanger's further breached its implied warranty of merchantability to Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class because the Pet Foods were misbranded in violations of federal and state law, because instead of containing

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100% kosher beef and USDA inspected, human grade meat, they contained meat from horses and pigs that were not USDA inspected, human grade nor kosher.

- 167. Evanger's further breached its implied warranty of merchantability to Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class because the Pet Foods were not adequately contained, packaged, and labeled. The directions and labeling that accompanied the Pet Foods did not warn Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class of the dangers of feeding the Pet Foods to their pets, and that the Pet Foods were not comprised and produced as described.
- 168. Evanger's finally breached its implied warranty of merchantability to Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class because the Pet Foods did not conform to the promises and affirmations of fact set forth on its container and label, as described above. Specifically, the Pet Foods did not constitute safe, healthy food with 100% beef and USDA inspected, human grade ingredients.
- 169. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 2310(d)(1), Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class are entitled to recover the following damages proximately caused to them by Evanger's breach of the implied warranty of merchantability: (1) the difference in value between the Pet Foods as warranted (the full purchase price) and the Pet Foods as actually delivered (\$0.00) because the Pet Food should not have been sold since they were adulterated and misbranded, and consumers would not have purchased them; (2) the veterinarian bills caused by consumption of the Pet Foods; (3) for those whose pets died from eating the Pet Foods, the market value of the animals; and (4) for those whose pets died from eating the Pet Foods, the cost of disposing of the remains.
- 170. In addition, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 2310(d)(2), Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class are entitled to recover a sum equal to the aggregate amount of costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees based on actual time expended) determined by the Court to have been reasonably incurred by Plaintiffs and the

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members of the Nationwide Class in connection with the commencement and prosecution of this action.

### **COUNT II**

# Breach of Express Warranty Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2–313 (on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass)

- 171. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 172. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 173. Evanger's constitutes both a "merchant" and a "seller," as those terms are defined in Wash. Rev. Code §§ 62A.2-104 and 62A.2-103, in connection with sale of its Pet Foods to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass.
- 174. Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass constitute "buyers," as that term is defined in Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2-103.
- 175. The Pet Foods, themselves, constitute "goods," as that term is defined in Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2-105.
- 176. The statements on Evanger's advertising of its Pet Foods created express warranties, including that Evanger's was 100% kosher beef, USDA inspected, human grade ingredients, and was healthy and safe for consumption by pets, under both common law and Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2–313. Said statements include, but are not limited to, Pet Foods being "100% beef" "gourmet" labeling; advertising it as "USDA Inspected" and "human grade" meat.
- 177. The statements regarding Evanger's described in detail above constituted descriptions, affirmations of fact and promises relating to the Pet Foods that became part of the basis for the bargain between customers and Evanger's for the purchase of the Pet Foods. They created an express warranties that the Pet Foods would conform to Evanger's descriptions, affirmations of fact and promises.

- 178. The Pet Foods were not 100% beef, USDA inspected nor human grade and were not safe for pets to consume and caused pets to become ill and/or die. The unsafe nature of the Pet Foods constituted a breach of these express warranties. Defendants knew that its Pet Foods were not fit for human consumption, not USDA-FSIS inspected, and were made in an unsanitary facility that contaminated them.
- 179. Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass were injured as a proximate result of Evanger's aforementioned breaches as follows: (a) in the amount of the difference in value between the value of the Pet Food as warranted (its full purchase prices) and the Pet Food as actually delivered (\$0) since the Pet Foods should not have been sold because they were adulterated and misbranded and customers would not have paid anything for them had they known); (b) the veterinarian bills incurred as a result of their pets consuming the Pet Foods; (c) for those whose pets died from consuming the Pet Foods, the market value of those animals; and (d) for those whose animals died from consuming the Pet Foods, the cost of disposing of their remains.
- 180. Within a reasonable time after their discovery of Evanger's breaches, Plaintiffs gave notice of the breaches of the express warranties on behalf of themselves and the Classes. Alternatively, this pleading constitutes a sufficient notice of Evanger's breaches of the express warranties. Alternatively, it was not necessary for Plaintiffs and the Classes' members to give Defendants notice of its breaches of the express warranties as to them because it already had actual notice of those breaches.

### **COUNT III**

# Breach of the Implied Warranty of Merchantability Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2–314, (on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass)

181. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.

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- 182. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 183. Evanger's is a "seller" and "merchant" as to the Pet Foods within the meaning of Wash. Rev. Code §§ 62A.2-103 and 62A.2-104.
- 184. Evanger's designed, manufactured and sold the Pet Foods, which constitute "goods" within the meaning of Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2-105.
- 185. Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass constitute "buyers" within the meaning of Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2-103.
- 186. Under Wash. Rev. Code § 62A.2–314, Evanger's impliedly warranted that the Pet Foods were merchantable, including that they: (a) were fit for their ordinary purposes as "100% kosher beef," "USDA inspected, human grade" meat, safe and healthy dog food, (b) could pass without objection in the trade under its contract description as pet food, (c) were adequately contained, packaged, and labeled as the agreements required, and (d) conformed to the descriptions, promises and affirmations of fact set forth on its advertising, container and labels.
- 187. The Pet Foods were sold in sealed packaging, and the identified issues existed when they left Evanger's control, including Evanger's knowledge that the Pet Foods were not fit for human consumption, were not USDA-FSIS inspected and were made in an unsanitary facility that contaminated them.
- 188. When Evanger's designed, manufactured, distributed and sold the Pet Foods, it knew the purpose for which they were intended; i.e., that they would be consumed by pets.
- 189. Evanger's initially breached the implied warranty of merchantability as to Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass because the Pet Foods were not fit for the ordinary purposes for which they were used—a safe, healthy pet food. Specifically, Evanger's Pet Foods were adulterated because they contained poisonous pentobarbital, were made in an unsanitary facility that contaminated them,

and were made up of animals that did not die by slaughter, all of which are not approved for use in food and made them unfit for their ordinary purpose of providing safe, healthy pet food. The Pet Foods were also misbranded, which is prohibited under the law because instead of being made with 100% kosher beef that is USDA inspected and human grade as Evanger's advertised, they were made up of non-USDA, non-human grade, non-kosher meat that was not 100% beef. The Pet Foods have caused injury and death to animals, who have consumed the Pet Foods.

- 190. Evanger's further breached its implied warranty of merchantability to Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass because the Pet Foods would not pass without objection in the trade under its contract description as pet food because they were adulterated and misbranded, which is prohibited under state and federal law.
- 191. Evanger's further breached its implied warranty of merchantability to Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass because the Pet Foods were not adequately contained, packaged, and labeled. The directions and labeling that accompanied the Pet Foods did not warn or disclose to Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass of the dangers of feeding Pet Foods to their pets, and that the Pet Foods were not as described.
- 192. Evanger's finally breached its implied warranty of merchantability to Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass because the Pet Foods did not conform to the descriptions, promises and affirmations of fact set forth on their container and label, as described above. Specifically, they did not constitute "100% kosher beef," "USDA-inspected, human grade" ingredients, healthy and safe food for pets.
- 193. Plaintiffs and members of the Washington Subclass were injured as a proximate result of Evanger's aforementioned breaches as follows: (a) in the amount of the difference in value between the value of the Pet Foods as warranted (its full

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purchase prices) and the Pet Foods as actually delivered (\$0) since they should not have been sold because of their adulteration and misbranding, and consumers would not have paid anything for them had they known; (b) the veterinarian bills incurred as a result of their pets consuming the Pet Foods; (c) for those whose pets died from consuming the Pet Foods, the market value of those animals; (d) for those whose animals died from consuming the Pet Foods, the cost of disposing of their remains; and (e) other economic losses, including the increased risk of health problems in their pets.

194. Within a reasonable time after their discovery of Evanger's breaches, Plaintiffs gave notice of the breaches of the implied warranty of merchantability on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass. Alternatively, this pleading constitutes a sufficient notice of Evanger's breaches of the implied warranty of merchantability. Alternatively, it was not necessary for Plaintiffs to give Evanger's notice of its breaches of the implied warranty of merchantability as to them and the Washington Subclass because Evanger's had actual notice of such breaches.

#### COUNT IV

### Violation of the Washington Consumer Protection Act Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010, et seq. Non-Per Se Unfair Business Practices (on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass)

- 195. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 196. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 197. The Washington Consumer Protection Act ("WCPA") declares unlawful (i) an unfair or deceptive act or practice, (ii) occurring in trade or

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Plaintiffs. 198. Evanger's is a "person" within the meaning of the WCPA, Wash. Rev.

commerce, (iii) with a public interest impact, and (iv) which causes injury to

- Code § 19.86010(1), and conducts "trade" and "commerce" within the meaning of the Washington Consumer Protection Act, Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010(2).
- 199. Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members are "persons" within the meaning of the WCPA, Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010(1).
- 200. As the purpose of the WCPA is "to protect the public and foster fair and honest competition," the act should be "liberally construed" to serve its beneficial purposes. Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.920.
- 201. In the context of the WCPA, pleading and proof of an unfair act or practice under Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.020 bears little resemblance to pleading and proof of common law fraud. It can be predicated on an act or practice so designated by statute; an act or practice that has the capacity to deceive substantial portions of the public; or an unfair act or practice not regulated by statute but in violation of the public interest. An act or practice can be unfair without being deceptive and still violate the WCPA.
- 202. At all relevant times, Evanger's engaged in unfair acts or practices in the conduct of its business by describing, promising and affirming on its container and label that its Pet Foods are "100% kosher beef," "USDA inspected, human grade," healthy and safe when they were not as found and publicly denounced by the FDA. In fact, they were adulterated and misbranded as prohibited under the law, and were unsafe for animals to eat because they contained poisonous pentobarbital, were contaminated by unsanitary facilities and were made up of animals that did not die from slaughter. Evanger's further engaged in unfair acts or practices in the conduct of its business when it did not provide a refund to customers, who purchased the Pet Foods based on Evanger's false representations and did not return them.

203. At all relevant times, Evanger's further engaged in unfair acts and practices when it failed to disclose material information about the Pet Foods including their quality, related health risks, adulteration and misbranding. Evanger's has failed to provide adequate warnings or notices of health risks from the Pet Food and does not disclose that they are unfit to be sold and to be consumed by animals.

- 204. Evanger's admitted in its own lawsuit against its supplier that the bill of lading on the meat it purchased and received, and used in its Pet Food, stated that the meat was "inedible" and "not fit for human consumption," and was not USDA-FSIS inspected. Instead, the Pet Foods were adulterated and misbranded, should have not been sold, and were unsafe for animals to consume.
- 205. Evanger's stated in its recall in February and March 2017 that no other pet foods were impacted, however, a month later, another pet food that it manufacturers for Party Animal also tested positive for pentobarbital and sickened another animal leading to another recall. Evanger's was also aware that its facilities were unsanitary and could contaminate its Pet Foods as the FDA found.
- 206. Evanger's concealed and misrepresented this information about its Pet Foods to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members, which is material in that a reasonable consumer would not have purchased the Pet Foods and subjected himself, herself or their pets to injury had he or she known these facts.
- 207. Evanger's conducted its acts and practices described herein in the course of trade or commerce.
- 208. Defendants' unfair acts and practices impact the public interest. Defendants committed the acts and practices in the course of its everyday business; the acts and practices are part of a pattern or generalized course of business; Defendants committed the acts and practices repeatedly and continually both before and after Plaintiffs' purchase of the Pet Foods; there is a real and substantial potential

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for repetition of Defendants' conduct; and many customers are affected or likely to be affected.

- 209. The acts and practices described above are unfair because these acts or practices (1) have caused substantial financial injury to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members; (2) are not outweighed by any countervailing benefits to consumers or competitors; and (3) are not reasonably avoidable by consumers.
- 210. Evanger's unfair practices have occurred in its trade or business and were and are capable of injuring a substantial portion of the public. As such, Evanger's general course of conduct as alleged herein is injurious to the public interest, and the acts complained of herein are ongoing and/or have a substantial likelihood of being repeated.
- 211. As a direct and proximate result of Evanger's unfair acts or practices, Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members suffered injury in fact and lost money.
  - 212. Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass are therefore entitled to:
  - 1) an order enjoining the conduct complained herein:
- 2) actual damages to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass equal to: (a) the amount the Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass paid for the worthless Pet Foods: the difference in value between the value of the Pet Foods as represented (the full purchase prices) and the value of the Pet Foods as actually accepted and delivered (\$0) since it should not have been sold because of its adulteration and misbranding. and consumers would not have paid anything for it had they known; (b) their veterinarian bills incurred as a result of their pets consuming the Pet Foods; (c) for those whose pets died from eating the Pet Foods, the market value of their animals: and (d) for those whose animals died from eating the Pet Foods, the cost of disposing of their remains;

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- 3) treble damages pursuant to Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.090;
- 4) costs of suit, including a reasonable attorney's fee; and such further relief as the Court may deem proper.
- 213. Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass are also entitled to equitable relief as the Court deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, disgorgement, for the benefit of the Subclass members, or all or part of the ill-gotten profits Evanger's received from the sale of its Pet Food.

### **COUNT V**

Violation of the Washington Consumer Protection Act Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010, et seq. Non-Per Se Deceptive Business Practices (on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass)

- 214. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 215. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 216. The Washington Consumer Protection Act ("WCPA") declares unlawful (i) an unfair or deceptive act or practice, (ii) occurring in trade or commerce, (iii) with a public interest impact, and (iv) which causes injury to Plaintiffs.
- 217. Evanger's is a "person" within the meaning of the WCPA, Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86010(1), and conducts "trade" and "commerce" within the meaning of the Washington Consumer Protection Act, Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010(2).
- 218. Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members are "persons" within the meaning of the WCPA, Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010(1).
- 219. As the purpose of the WCPA is "to protect the public and foster fair and honest competition," the act should be "liberally construed" to serve its beneficial purposes. Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.920.

- 220. At all relevant times, Evanger's engaged in deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of its business by describing, promising and affirming on its container and label that its Pet Foods are "100% kosher beef," "USDA inspected, human grade," healthy and safe when they were not. In fact, they were adulterated and misbranded as prohibited under the law, and were unsafe for animals to eat because they contained poisonous pentobarbital.
- 221. At all relevant times, Evanger's engaged in deceptive acts or practices by failing to disclose the quality of its Pet Foods and without providing adequate warning or notice of their related health risks.
- 222. Evanger's further engaged in deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of its business when it did not provide a refund to customers, who purchased the Pet Foods and did not return them based on Evanger's omissions and false representations.
- 223. Evanger's has also continued to misrepresent that its Pet Foods are from USDA inspected suppliers and human grade when they are not, as determined and publicly stated by the FDA.
- 224. At all relevant times, Evanger's engaged in deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of its business by describing, promising and affirming on its container and label that the Pet Foods were "100% kosher beef," "USDA inspected, human grade," healthy and safe for pets to consume, when in fact it knew or had reason to know that they were not. In fact, Evanger's admitted in its own lawsuit against its supplier that the bill of lading on the meat it purchased and received, and which Evanger's used in its Pet Food, stated that the meat was "inedible" and "not fit for human consumption," and was not USDA-FSIS inspected. Instead, the Pet Foods were adulterated and misbranded, should have not been sold, and were unsafe for animals to consume.

- 225. Evanger's further engages in deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of its business as it continues to misrepresent that its Pet Foods are "100% kosher beef," "USDA inspected" and "human grade" after the FDA found and publicly stated that none of its suppliers are USDA inspected and are not human grade and its Pet Foods are not 100% beef.
- 226. Evanger's stated in its recall in February and March 2017 that no other pet foods were impacted, however, a month later, another pet food that it manufacturers for Party Animal also tested positive for pentobarbital and sickened another animal leading to another recall.
- 227. Evanger's was also aware that its facilities were unsanitary and could contaminate its Pet Foods as the FDA found.
- 228. Evanger's concealed and misrepresented this information about its Pet Foods to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members, which is material in that a reasonable consumer would not have purchased the Pet Foods and subjected himself or herself to injury had he or she known these facts.
- 229. Evanger's conducted its acts and practices described herein in the course of trade or commerce.
- 230. Defendants' deceptive acts and practices impact the public interest. Defendants committed the acts and practices in the course of its everyday business; the acts and practices are part of a pattern or generalized course of business; Defendants committed the acts and practices repeatedly and continually both before and after Plaintiffs' purchase of the Pet Foods; there is a real and substantial potential for repetition of Defendants' conduct; and many customers are affected or likely to be affected.
- 231. The acts and practices described above are deceptive because these acts or practices (1) have caused substantial financial injury to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members; (2) are not outweighed by any countervailing

 benefits to consumers or competitors; and (3) are not reasonably avoidable by consumers.

- 232. Evanger's deceptive practices have occurred in its trade or business and were and are capable of injuring a substantial portion of the public. As such, Evanger's general course of conduct as alleged herein is injurious to the public interest, and the acts complained of herein are ongoing and/or have a substantial likelihood of being repeated.
- 233. As a direct and proximate result of Evanger's deceptive acts or practices, Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members suffered injury in fact and lost money.
  - 234. Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass are therefore entitled to:
  - 1) an order enjoining the conduct complained herein;
  - 2) actual damages to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass equal to: (a) the amount the Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass paid for the worthless Pet Foods: the difference in value between the value of the Pet Foods as represented (the full purchase prices) and the value of the Pet Foods as actually accepted and delivered (\$0) since it should not have been sold because of its adulteration and misbranding, and consumers would not have paid anything for it had they known; (b) their veterinarian bills incurred as a result of their pets consuming the Pet Foods; (c) for those whose pets died from eating the Pet Foods, the market value of their animals; and (d) for those whose animals died from eating the Pet Foods, the cost of disposing of their remains;
  - 3) treble damages pursuant to Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.090;
  - 4) costs of suit, including a reasonable attorney's fee; and such further relief as the Court may deem proper.
  - 235. Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass are also entitled to equitable

relief as the Court deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, disgorgement, for the benefit of the Subclass members, or all or part of the ill-gotten profits Evanger's received from the sale of its Pet Food.

# Negligence - Washington Product Liability Act Wash. Rev. Code § 7.72.030(1)

(on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass)

- 236. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 237. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 238. Evanger's owed a duty of reasonable care to Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass to provide Pet Foods that were safe for consumption by animals.
- 239. Evanger's breached this duty by selling Pet Foods that were adulterated because they contained poisonous pentobarbital; were made in an unsanitary facility that contaminated them; were made up of animals that did not die by slaughter; were misbranded because they did not contain USDA inspected, human grade meat and were not 100% kosher beef; and did not adequately warn Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass of the Pet Foods' dangers on its packaging.
- 240. Such conduct by Evanger's was negligent because it did not reflect the level of care that an ordinarily prudent and reasonable person in Evanger's place would have given under the same or similar circumstances.
- 241. Evanger's should have known that the Pet Foods posed a risk of harm to dogs; that purchasers of the Pet Foods, including Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass, would not recognize the risk and that the risk was misrepresented to them; and that consumption of the Pet Foods by pets would foreseeably result in their injury and death. Such injury and death to the animals

constituted property damage to Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass beyond, and in addition to, their damage from purchasing the worthless Pet Foods.

242. As a proximate result of Evanger's negligent acts alleged herein, Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass suffered injury to property, specifically the illness and deaths of their pets, and the expenses incurred therewith.

### **COUNT VII**

### Strict Products Liability

Wash. Rev. Code § 7.72.030(2)

(on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass)

- 243. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 244. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 245. Evanger's designed, manufactured, distributed and sold the Pet Foods, which were adulterated because they contained poisonous pentobarbital, were made in unsanitary facilities that contaminated them, and were made of animals that did not die from slaughter. The Pet Foods were misbranded because they were not made of 100% kosher beef and USDA inspected, human grade meat. The adulterated and misbranded Pet Foods and their potential health risks, at all times material hereto, would not reasonably have been expected by consumers, and constituted an unreasonably dangerous defect and/or condition.
- 246. The Pet Foods were unreasonably dangerous because of defects in marketing, design and manufacturing, which reasonable consumers would not have expected.
- 247. There was a defect in the marketing of the Pet Foods, which made the Pet Foods unreasonably dangerous, because Evanger's failed to warn Plaintiffs and

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the members of the Washington Subclass, on its advertising, packaging or otherwise, of the potential harm to their pets from consuming the Pet Foods, which warning reasonable consumers would have expected.

- 248. The Pet Foods were defectively designed because they were adulterated and misbranded in a manner that made them unsafe. The Pet Foods contained substitute ingredients – ingredients other than those that Evanger's advertised as in its Pet Foods – and failed to include ingredients that could have been used to meet the same needs and not be unsafe or unreasonably expensive. Evanger's had the ability to eliminate the unsafe character of the Pet Foods without seriously impairing their usefulness or significantly increasing their costs. It was not anticipated that purchasers of the Pet Foods would be aware of the dangers inherent in the use of the products, and the expectation of ordinary consumers was that the Pet Foods manufactured by Evanger's would be safe for dogs.
- 249. Alternatively, the Pet Foods were defectively manufactured because they were adulterated and misbranded in a manner that caused them to be harmful and deadly to animals, and that deviated in terms of quality from the specifications in a manner that rendered them unreasonably dangerous and not within the expectations of reasonable consumers.
- 250. These unreasonably dangerous defects in the marketing, design and manufacture of the Pet Foods existed at the time the Pet Foods left Evanger's control.
- 251. The Pet Foods came in sealed packages, and did not change from the time they left Evanger's possession, through the time they arrived in stores to be sold to consumers, and the time when consumers bought and took possession of them.
- 252. The unreasonably dangerous defects and/or conditions of the Pet Foods proximately caused injury and death to dogs, and related expenses, constituting property damage to Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass beyond, and in addition to, their damages from purchasing the harmful Pet Foods.

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253. Accordingly, Evanger's is strictly liable for these damages caused to Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass by its unreasonably dangerous product.

#### COUNT VIII

### Washington Unjust Enrichment (on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass)

- 254. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 255. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Washington Subclass.
- 256. Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass, at their expense, purchased the Pet Foods, which was defective, not merchantable, and unreasonably dangerous and therefore had no value to them.
- 257. Plaintiffs and the members of the Washington Subclass purchased the Pet Foods designed, manufactured and marketed by Evanger's in various retail stores. Evanger's knowingly received and retained a benefit from Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members, namely the gross revenues resulting from their purchases. Evanger's is not justified in retaining these revenues because of the diminished value, inherent defects, adulterated state, misbranded content and general lack of merchantability of the Pet Foods.
- 258. Principles of fairness and equity demand that Evanger's disgorge the above-referenced revenues to Plaintiffs and the Washington Subclass members.

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#### **COUNT IX**

### Violation of the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act

815 Ill. Comp. Stat. 505/1, et seq. (on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class)

- 259. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 260. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide Class.
- 261. This cause of action is brought pursuant the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act, 815 Ill. Comp. Stat. 505/1 et seq. ("ICFA").
- 262. The acts and omissions, specifically including Evanger's misrepresentations that the Pet Foods were USDA inspected and of human grade quality including 100% kosher beef, and Evanger's omitting that the Pet Foods were adulterated and misbranded and contained poisonous pentobarbital and failing to provide adequate warning or notice of their health risks, occurred in the conduct of trade or commerce as that term is used therein.
- 263. Section 2 of ICFA prohibits unfair or deceptive acts or practices used or employed in the conduct of any trade or commerce, as well as deceptive acts or practices which are committed in the course of trade or commerce and with the intent that others rely upon them. 815 ILCS 505/2.
  - 264. Section 2 of the ICFA provides, in full:

Unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices, including but not limited to the use or employment of any deception, fraud, false pretense, false promise, misrepresentation or the concealment, suppression or omission of any material fact, with intent that others rely upon the concealment, suppression or omission of such material fact, or the use or employment of any practice described in Section 2 of the "Uniform Deceptive

Trade Practices Act", approved August 5, 1965, in the conduct of any trade or commerce are hereby declared unlawful whether any person has in fact been misled, deceived or damaged thereby. In construing this section, consideration shall be given to the interpretations of the Federal Trade Commission and the federal courts relating to Section 5(a) of the Federal Trade Commission Act." 815 ILCS 505/2.

- 265. Evanger's acts, misrepresentations and omissions are by their very nature unfair, deceptive and unlawful within the meaning of the ICFA.
- 266. Evanger's has disseminated, or caused to be disseminated, advertising, labeling, packaging, marketing, and promotion of the Pet Foods that is deceptive and otherwise violates the ICFA, because at all times material hereto, the advertising, labeling, packaging, marketing and promotion of the Pet Foods included false and/or misleading statements or misrepresentations concerning the quality of the Pet Foods, including that they were USDA inspected and contained human grade ingredients including 100% kosher beef, and/or because Evanger's failed to disclose and/or concealed or omitted material facts, including without limitation, known defects and risks concerning the quality of the Pet Foods and the healthiness of the Pet Foods, including that they were adulterated and misbranded and unsafe for pets to consume.
- 267. In making and disseminating the misrepresentations and omissions alleged herein, Evanger's intended to deceive reasonable consumers, including Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class.
- 268. Evanger's made and disseminated the representations and omissions alleged herein in the course of conduct involving trade and commerce.
- 269. The utility, if any, of Evanger's practices related to the advertising, labeling, packaging, marketing, promotion and selling of Pet Foods, while making affirmative misrepresentations and without properly disclosing the Pet Foods' true

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nature and/or characteristics, is negligible, when weighed against the harm to the general public, Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class.

- 270. The harmful impact upon members of the general public targeted by such practices, including Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class, who purchased and used the Pet Foods, outweighs any reasons or justifications by Evanger's for the unfair and deceptive business practices Evanger's employed to sell the Pet Foods described herein.
- 271. Evanger's had an improper motive (to place profit ahead of accurate marketing) in its practices related to the advertising, labeling, packaging, marketing, promotion and selling of the Pet Foods.
- 272. The use of such unfair and deceptive business acts and practices was and is under the sole control of Evanger's, and was deceptively hidden from Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class, and the general public, in Evanger's advertising, labeling, packaging, marketing, promotion and selling of the Pet Foods in a deceptive effort to put profit over accurate marketing. These deceptive acts and practices had a capacity, tendency, and/or likelihood to deceive or confuse reasonable consumers into believing that the Pet Foods were USDA inspected, human grade, 100% kosher beef, healthy, free of harmful toxic substances, and were otherwise safe.
- 273. As a direct and proximate result of Evanger's deceptive and unfair conduct and/or violations of the ICFA, Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class have suffered and continue to suffer damages, including without limitation the following:
  - a) The difference in value between the full purchase price of the Pet Foods and the actual value of the Pet Foods (which actual value is \$0 because the Pet Foods should not have been sold since they were adulterated and misbranded, and consumers would not have paid anything for them had they

known) - i.e., the full purchase prices of the Pet Foods;

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b) All veterinary bills incurred as a result of illness, injury or death caused by consuming the Pet Foods;

4 5 c) All bills incurred for the disposition of the remains of dogs killed by the Pet Foods; and

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(Misbranding), and 505 ILCS 30/11.1 (Prohibited Acts).

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- d) The market value of the dogs killed as a result of ingesting the Pet Foods.
- 274. Illinois also provides protection to purchasers of animal food from unfair and deceptive practices. 505 ILCS 30/7 (Adulteration), 505 ILCS 30/8
- 275. A commercial feed is adulterated if it "bears or contains any poisonous or deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health;" 505 ILCS 30/7, and a commercial feed is misbranded if its "labeling is false or misleading in any particular." 505 ILCS 30/8. Illinois law also prohibits the "manufacture or distribution of any commercial feed that is adulterated or misbranded." 505 ILCS 30/11.1.
- 276. The Pet Foods are misrepresented to be 100% beef, USDA inspected and human grade meat, which they are not. Instead they contain poisonous pentobarbital, are made in an unsanitary facility that causes contamination, and contain the remains of animals that did not die by slaughter and were not kosher or all beef. Because of this, the Pet Foods injured Plaintiffs' pets and those of the members of Nationwide Class, and the composition or quality of the Pet Foods falls below what is purported or represented by its label.
- 277. Plaintiffs and the other members of Nationwide Class further seek to enjoin such unlawful deceptive acts and practices as described above. Each of the Nationwide Class members will be irreparably harmed unless the unlawful actions of Evanger's are enjoined, in that Evanger's will continue to falsely and

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misleadingly market and advertise and represent on its packaging the healthy nature of the Pet Foods and that they are USDA inspected when they are not.

- 278. Towards that end, Plaintiffs and Nationwide Class request an order granting them injunctive relief requiring removal of the unsafe products from retail outlets, prohibiting false statements, requiring corrective disclosures and/or disclaimers on the labeling and advertising of the Pet Foods, and/or the removal of the harmful ingredients.
- 279. Absent injunctive relief, Evanger's will continue to manufacture and sell misrepresented, deceptive and unsafe Pet Foods without disclosing to consumers their true quality and risk of harmful effects.
- 280. In this regard, Evanger's has violated, and continues to violate, the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act, which makes unfair or deceptive acts or practices used or employed in the conduct of any trade or commerce unlawful. As a direct and proximate result of Evanger's violation of the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act as described above. Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class have suffered damages, as set forth above.
- 281. Evanger's affirmative misrepresentations, as well as its wrongful warranty practices, were disseminated and directed from its headquarters in Wheeling, Illinois. Evanger's manufactures its Pet Foods at its facilities in Wheeling and Markham, Illinois. Therefore, based upon the choice-of-law rules applied in this District, Plaintiffs preliminarily identify the substantive laws of Illinois as the most likely to apply to Nationwide Class as alleged in this claim.

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### **COUNT X**

**Breach of Express Warranty** 

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- (on behalf of Plaintiff and the Nationwide Class) 282. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs
- 283. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide
- 284. Evanger's constitutes a "merchant" and a "seller" in connection with its sales of the Pet Foods, as those terms are defined in the Illinois Uniform Commercial Code.
- 285. Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class constitute "buyers" in connection with their purchases of the Pet Food from Evanger's, as that term is defined in the Illinois Uniform Commercial Code.
- 286. The Pet Food constitutes "goods," as that term is defined in the Illinois Uniform Commercial Code.
- 287. By affirmations of fact, promises and descriptions made on the Pet Foods' packaging, Evanger's provided Plaintiffs and the other members of the Nationwide Class with written express warranties before or at the time of purchase. including the following:
  - a) The Pet Foods were made of 100% kosher beef:
  - b) The Pet Foods were made of USDA-inspected meats:
  - c) The Pet Foods were human grade quality meats;
  - d) The Pet Foods were safe and healthy for pets to eat.
- 288. These affirmations of facts and promises made by Evanger's to Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class related to Pet Foods and became part of the bases of the bargains between them and Evanger's, and thereby created express warranties that the Pet Foods would conform to those affirmations and promises. Furthermore,

1 the aforementioned descriptions of the Pet Foods were part of the bases of the 2 bargains for the purchases of Pet Foods between Evanger's on the one hand and 3 Plaintiffs and other Nationwide Class members on the other. The descriptions 4 created an express warranty that the goods would conform to those descriptions. As previously noted, Evanger's misrepresented the nature of the Pet Foods, since the 5 6 Pet Foods were not 100% kosher beef and were not USDA-inspected, human quality meats. Instead, the Pet Foods were adulterated because they contained poisonous 7 pentobarbital, were made in an unsanitary facility that contaminated them, were not 8 made from animals that died by slaughter, and were misbranded. The Pet Foods did 9 not conform to the affirmations, promises and descriptions previously mentioned, 10 resulting in breaches of the Pet Foods' express warranties. 11

- 289. The Pet Foods were marketed directly to consumers by Evanger's, came in sealed packages, and did not change from the time they left Evanger's possession until they were purchased by consumers in stores.
- 290. Plaintiffs have complied with all conditions precedent to filing this breach of warranty claim, including providing notice of the breach of warranty to Evanger's on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide Class, prior to filing this action.
- 291. Alternatively, the filing of this Complaint provides sufficient notice of breach to Evanger's on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class.
- 292. Alternatively, notice need not have been given to Evanger's because Evanger's had actual notice of its breaches of warranty as to Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class.
- 293. As a proximate result of Evanger's breach of express warranties, Plaintiffs and the members of the Nationwide Class have suffered actual damages as follows:

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- (a) The difference in value between the full purchase price of the Pet Foods and the actual value of the Pet Foods (which actual value is \$0 because the Pet Foods should not have been sold since they were adulterated and misbranded, and consumers would not have paid anything for them had they known) i.e., the full purchase prices of the Pet Foods;
- (b) the veterinarian bills incurred as a result of consumption of the Pet Foods;
- (c) the market value of the animals killed by consumption of Pet Foods; and
- (d) the cost of disposing of the remains of the animals killed by consumption of Pet Foods.
- 294. Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class cannot return Pet Foods to Evanger's for repair as the subject defect is irreparable.
- 295. Evanger's affirmative misrepresentations, as well as its wrongful warranty practices, were disseminated and directed from its headquarters in Wheeling, Illinois. Evanger's manufactures its Pet Foods at its own facilities in Wheeling and Markham, Illinois. Therefore, based upon the choice-of-law rules applied in this District, Plaintiffs preliminarily identify the substantive laws of Illinois as the most likely to apply to Nationwide Class as alleged in this claim.

## COUNT XI Illinois Negligence

### (on Behalf of Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class)

- 296. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 297. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide Class.
- 298. Evanger's owed a duty of care to Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class to provide pet food that was unadulterated, not misbranded, safe for consumption by dogs, and free from toxins with harmful effects.

- 299. Evanger's breached this duty by selling Pet Foods, which were misbranded, adulterated, and not safe, because they contained pentobarbital, were made in an unsanitary facility that contaminated them, and were composed of animals that did not die from slaughter.
- 300. The Pet Foods were sold without adequate quality control and testing; without using proper manufacturing and production practices; without properly investigating reports of pet deaths and illnesses following consumption of the Pet Foods; and without adequately warning Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class of the dangers as part of the Pet Foods's packaging or disclosing that the Pet foods were not USDA-inspected, were composed of animals that did not die from slaughter, and were not human quality.
- 301. Such conduct by Evanger's was negligent in that Evanger's failed to act as an ordinarily prudent and reasonable person would have acted under the same or similar circumstances.
- 302. Evanger's should have known that Pet Foods posed a risk of harm to animals; that purchasers of Pet Foods, including Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class, would not recognize the risk and were instead purchasing this product based on Defendants's misrepresentations that the Pet Foods were of a certain quality and would not carry these risks; and that consumption of Pet Foods by animals would foreseeably result in injury and death to those dogs, constituting property damage to Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class beyond and in addition to the damages from purchasing the harmful Pet Foods.
- 303. As a proximate result of Evanger's negligent acts alleged herein, Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class suffered injury to property, specifically in the illness and deaths of their animals and the expenses incurred therewith.
- 304. Evanger's affirmative misrepresentations, as well as its wrongful warranty practices, were disseminated and directed from its headquarters in

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Wheeling, Illinois. Evanger's manufactures its Pet Foods at its facilities in Wheeling and Markham, Illinois. Therefore, based upon the choice-of-law rules applied in this District, Plaintiffs preliminarily identify the substantive laws of Illinois as the most likely to apply to Nationwide Class as alleged in this claim.

### **COUNT XII**

### Illinois Products Liability (on Behalf of Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class)

- 305. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 306. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide Class.
- 307. Evanger's designed, manufactured and sold Pet Foods, which were unsafe because they were misbranded and adulterated, and this misbranding and adulteration caused the Pet Foods to contain poisonous pentobarbital, to be contaminated by the unsanitary facility where they were made, and to be manufactured from animals that did not die from slaughter.
- 308. The adulteration and misbranding that made the consumption of the Pet Foods risky to the health of animals was, at all times material hereto, an unreasonably dangerous defect and/or condition. The failure of Evanger's to warn on its package of the dangerousness of the Pet Foods also constituted an unreasonably dangerous defect and/or condition.
- 309. These unreasonably dangerous defects and/or conditions existed at the time the Pet Foods left Evanger's control.
- 310. The Pet Foods came in sealed packages, and they and their packaging did not change from the time they left Evanger's possession through the time they arrived in stores to be sold to consumers and consumers purchased and took possession of them.

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purchasing the harmful Pet Foods.

312. Accordingly, Evanger's is strictly liable for the damages caused to Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class, by the unreasonably dangerous Pet Foods, specifically the illness and deaths of their animals and the expenses incurred

proximately caused injury and death to animals, constituting property damage to

Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class beyond and in addition to the damages from

311. The unreasonably dangerous defects and/or conditions of the Pet Foods

313. Evanger's affirmative misrepresentations, as well as its wrongful warranty practices, were disseminated and directed from its headquarters in Wheeling, Illinois. Evanger's manufactures its Pet Foods at its facilities in Wheeling and Markham, Illinois. Therefore, based upon the choice-of-law rules applied in this District, Plaintiffs preliminarily identify the substantive laws of Illinois as the most likely to apply to Nationwide Class as alleged in this claim.

### **COUNT XIII**

## Illinois Unjust Enrichment (on Behalf of Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class)

- 314. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege the allegations contained in the paragraphs above, as if fully set forth herein.
- 315. Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of themselves and the Nationwide Class.
- 316. Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class members conferred a benefit on Evanger's by purchasing Pet Foods—namely the gross revenues Evanger's derived from such sales.
- 317. Evanger's accepted and retained the benefit in the amount of the gross revenues it received from sales of Pet Foods to Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class members.

it unjust for it to be permitted to retain the benefit.

319. Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class members are entitled to restitution

318. Evanger's has thereby profited under circumstances which would make

- 319. Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class members are entitled to restitution of the entire amount Evanger's received from its sales of the Pet Foods to them.
- 320. Evanger's affirmative misrepresentations, as well as its wrongful warranty practices, were disseminated and directed from its headquarters in Wheeling, Illinois. Evanger's manufactures the Pet Foods at its facilities in Wheeling and Markham, Illinois. Therefore, based upon the choice-of-law rules applied in this District, Plaintiffs preliminarily identify the substantive laws of Illinois as the most likely to apply to Nationwide Class as alleged in this claim.

### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Wherefore, Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves, all others similarly situated, and the general public, pray for a judgment:

- a. Certifying each of the Classes as requested herein, appointing Plaintiffs as class representatives for the Class and respective Subclass;
- b. Providing restitution to Plaintiffs and the Class for any wrongful act or practice under each cause of action where such relief is permitted;
- c. Enjoining Defendants from continuing the unlawful practices as set forth herein, including marketing or selling its products that may be misrepresented, adulterated and misbranded, and specifically falsely stating that they are USDA-inspected, human-grade quality, 100% kosher beef and directing Defendants to engage in corrective action, or providing other injunctive or equitable relief;
  - d. Paying veterinary costs and costs for pet care caused by an animal's consumption of the Pet Foods, including medical monitoring;
  - e. For pets that died as a result of eating the Pet Foods, payment of the value of the animal and any costs associated with their deaths;

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1	f.	Awarding damages for the value of the Pet Foods based on what was
2		paid versus what they are worth, including treble and punitive damages,
3		to prevent and deter Defendants from future unlawful conduct;
4	g.	Awarding all equitable remedies available and other applicable law;
5	h.	Awarding attorneys' fees and costs;
6	i.	Awarding pre-judgment and post-judgment interest at the legal rate;
7		and
8	j.	Providing such further relief as may be just and proper.
9		DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL
10	Plaint	tiffs hereby demand a trial by jury on all issues so triable.
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### **EXHIBIT D**

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Policy Issued - 103 GL 0010808-00Evangers Dog and Cat Food Comp

From: Smith, Michelle N <mnsmith@colonyspecialty.com>

Received: 8/26/2015 3:50:48 PM

To: 'Cocklin, Brad C'<BCCocklin@Burns-Wilcox.Com>

Attachments: image001.gif; Attachment.pdf

Hi

Please see the attached copy of the policy.

For any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you!



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# U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL ("OFAC") ADVISORY NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS

No coverage is provided by this Policyholder Notice nor can it be construed to replace any provisions of your policy. You should read your policy and review your Declarations page for complete information on the coverages you are provided.

This Notice provides information concerning possible impact on your insurance coverage due to directives issued by OFAC. Please read this Notice carefully.

The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) administers and enforces sanctions policy, based on Presidential declarations of "national emergency". OFAC has identified and listed numerous:

- · Foreign agents:
- Front organizations;
- Terrorists:
- Terrorist organizations; and
- Narcotics traffickers:

as "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons". This list can be located on the United States Treasury's web site – http://www.treas.gov/ofac.

In accordance with OFAC regulations, if it is determined that you or any other insured, or any person or entity claiming the benefits of this insurance has violated U.S. sanctions law or is a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person, as identified by OFAC, this insurance will be considered a blocked or frozen contract and all provisions of this insurance are immediately subject to OFAC. When an insurance policy is considered to be such a blocked or frozen contract, no payments nor premium refunds may be made without authorization from OFAC. Other limitations on the premiums and payments also apply.



## **Privacy Policy**

Argo Group US, Inc. ("Argo Group") recognizes the importance of maintaining the privacy of our customers and the confidentiality of each individual's nonpublic personal information, including Social Security numbers. We take seriously the responsibility that accompanies our collection of nonpublic personal information, including Social Security numbers. Accordingly, Argo's corporate policy is to protect the privacy and confidentiality of our consumers and their nonpublic personal information as required by law.

#### **Information Collection and Use**

In order to conveniently and effectively provide and service the insurance products we sell, we may collect and use Social Security numbers and other nonpublic personal information. As such, this policy does not prohibit the collection or use of Social Security numbers and nonpublic personal information where legally authorized and/or required. This policy complies with the requirements of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA) and applicable federal and state laws and regulations implementing the act. Such laws impose certain obligations upon third persons and organizations with which we share nonpublic personal information of our consumers, customers, former customers, or claimants. Accordingly, we prohibit the unauthorized disclosure of Social Security numbers and other protected nonpublic personal information, except as legally required or authorized.

## **Information Sharing and Disclosure**

Argo Group does not rent, sell or share your personally identifiable information with nonaffiliated third parties. Argo Group may, however, share personally identifiable information with third-party contractors. These third-party contractors are prohibited from using the information for purposes other than performing services for Argo Group. Argo Group may disclose your information to third parties when obligated to do so by law and to investigate, prevent, or take action regarding suspected or actual prohibited activities, including but not limited to fraud and situations involving the security of our operations and employees.

Finally, Argo Group may transfer information, including any personally identifiable information, to a successor entity in connection with a corporate merger, consolidation, sale of all or a portion of its assets, bankruptcy, or other corporate change.

#### Security

In order to protect your nonpublic personal information, we limit access to nonpublic personal information by only allowing authorized personnel to have access to such information. Furthermore, we maintain physical, electronic and procedural security protections to safeguard the nonpublic personal information in our records. Documents that contain an individual's protected information are destroyed before disposal; this destruction process includes the shredding of print and disposable media and deletion of electronic media. Argo Group has security measures in place to protect the loss, misuse and alteration of the information under our control. Our hardware infrastructure is housed in a controlled access facility that restricts access to authorized individuals. The network infrastructure is protected by a firewall and traffic is monitored and logged both on the firewall and servers. Sensitive administrative activities are carried out over secure, encrypted links between our offices and hosting facility. Administrative

access is limited not only to authorized employees but also to specific remote administration protocols and IP addresses. All employees with access to personally identifiable information have been advised of Argo Group's security policies and practices. Argo Group will continue to conduct internal audits of its security systems and make all necessary enhancements to ensure the safety of the website and its users. No method of transmission over the Internet or method of electronic storage is 100% secure; therefore, while Argo Group uses commercially acceptable means to protect your information, we cannot guarantee absolute security.

Any Argo Group employee who becomes aware of the inappropriate use or disclosure of Social Security numbers and other protected nonpublic personal information is expected to immediately report such behavior to the General Counsel for further action.

#### **Corrected/Updated Information**

This policy applies to certain insureds of Argo Group, including but not limited to worker's compensation claimants. If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy, please contact:

General Counsel Argo Group US, Inc. P.O. Box 469011 San Antonio, Texas 78246 (210) 321-8400

\*Note: Argo Group is the parent of Argonaut Insurance Company; Argonaut-Southwest Insurance Company; Argonaut-Midwest Insurance Company; Argonaut Great Central Insurance Company; Argonaut Limited Risk Insurance Company; ARIS Title Insurance Corporation; Select Markets Insurance Company; Colony Insurance Company; Colony Specialty Insurance Company; Peleus Insurance Company (fka Colony National Insurance Company); Rockwood Casualty Insurance Company; Somerset Casualty Insurance Company; Grocers Insurance Agency, Inc.; Central Insurance Management, Inc.; Alteris Insurance Services, Inc.; Trident Insurance Services, LLC; Commercial Deposit Insurance Agency, Inc.; Sonoma Risk Management, LLC; John Sutak Insurance Brokers, Inc.; Colony Management Services, Inc.; Argonaut Management Services, Inc.; and Argonaut Claims Management, LLC. This Privacy Policy applies to all companies and business produced or underwritten within Argo Group.

#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## SERVICE OF SUIT

If service of process is to be made upon the Company by way of hand delivery or courier service, delivery should be made to the Company's principal place of business:

Claims Manager

Colony Insurance Company, Colony Specialty Insurance Company, or Peleus Insurance Company 8720 Stony Point Parkway, Suite 400 Richmond, Virginia 23235

If service of process is to be made upon the Company by way of the U.S. Postal Service, the following mailing address should be used:

**General Counsel** 

Colony Insurance Company, Colony Specialty Insurance Company, or Peleus Insurance Company P.O. Box 469011 San Antonio, Texas 78246

Where required by statute, regulation, or other regulatory directive, the Company appoints the Commissioner of Insurance, or other designee specified for that purpose, as its attorney for acceptance of service of all legal process in the state in any action or proceeding arising out of this insurance.

The Commissioner or other designee is requested to forward process to the Company as shown above, or if required in his/her particular state, to a designated resident agent for service of process.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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## SIGNATURE PAGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the company issuing this policy has caused this policy to be signed by its President and its Secretary and countersigned (if required) on the Declarations page by a duly authorized representative of the company. This endorsement is executed by the company stated in the Declarations.

Colony Insurance Company

President

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Secretary

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Colony Insurance Company 8720 STONY POINT PARKWAY, SUITE 400 RICHMOND, VA 23235

POLICY NUMBER: 103 GL 0010808-00

RENEWAL OF: NEW

Issued 08/26/2015

**PREMIUM** 

1. NAMED INSURED AND MAILING ADDRESS:

. . .

Evangers Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc. 221 Wheeling Road Wheeling, IL 60090

. . . . . . . .

**PRODUCER: 0010164** 

Burns & Wilcox, Ltd. (Chicago)

155 N Wacker Chicago, IL 60606

2. POLICY PERIOD: From 08/15/2015 to 08/15/2016 12:01 A.M. Standard Time at your Mailing Address above.

COVERAGE PARTS

IN RETURN FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM, AND SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE TERMS OF THIS POLICY, WE AGREE WITH YOU TO PROVIDE THE INSURANCE AS STATED IN THIS POLICY.

3. THIS POLICY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING COVERAGE PARTS FOR WHICH A PREMIUM IS INDICATED. THIS PREMIUM MAY BE SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT.

	or Coverage for certified acts of terrorism has been re	older Disclosure attached.)	\$5,500.00
P-30-600	Premium shown is payable at inception	Total Policy Premium:	\$5,500.00
4.	FORMS APPLICABLE TO ALL COVERAGES:	Inspection Fee:	\$200.00
	See Form U001 – Schedule of Forms and Endorsements		
5.	BUSINESS DESCRIPTION: Pet Food Manufacturing		
Co	untersigned:  Date	By:Authorized	representative

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Policy Number: 103 GL 0010808-00

## SCHEDULE OF FORMS AND ENDORSEMENTS

Forms and Endorsements applying to and made part of this policy at the time of issuance:

NUMBER TITLE

ILP001-0104 U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS

CONTROL ("OFAC") ADVISORY NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS

PRIVACYNOTICE-0415 PRIVACY NOTICE U094-0415 SERVICE OF SUIT SIGCIC-1013 SIGNATURE PAGE

DCJ6550-0702 COMMON POLICY DECLARATIONS

U001-1004 SCHEDULE OF FORMS & ENDORSEMENTS

DCJ6553-0702 COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**DECLARATIONS** 

CG0001-1207 COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM

IL0017-1198 COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS

ILLINOIS CHANGES - DEFENSE COSTS

UCG2175-0115 CERTIFIED ACTS OF TERRORISM AND OTHER ACTS OF TERRORISM

**EXCLUSION** 

CG0068-0509 RECORDING AND DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIAL OR INFORMATION IN

VIOLATION OF LAW EXCLUSION

CG2015-0704 ADDITIONAL INSURED - VENDORS

CG2104-1185 EXCLUSION - PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS HAZARD

CG2138-1185 EXCLUSION - PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY CG2149-0999 TOTAL POLLUTION EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT

CG2167-1204 FUNGI OR BACTERIA EXCLUSION

CG2196-0305 SILICA OR SILICA-RELATED DUST EXCLUSION
CG2426-0704 AMENDMENT OF INSURED CONTRACT DEFINITION

IL0021-0908 NUCLEAR ENERGY LIABILITY EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT (BROAD

FORM)

U002A-0212 MINIMUM POLICY PREMIUM

U009-0310 AIRCRAFT PRODUCTS AND GROUNDING EXCLUSION EMPLOYMENT RELATED PRACTICES EXCLUSION

U173AS-0708 CANCELLATION U184-0702 INSPECTION

U265-0310 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXCLUSION

U266-0510 EXCLUSION - USL&H, JONES ACT OR OTHER MARITIME LAWS

U267A-0813 CROSS SUITS EXCLUSION

U276-0310 EXCLUSION - BREACH OF CONTRACT

U466-0212 EXCLUSION - LEAD
U467-0212 EXCLUSION - ASBESTOS
U582-0708 EXCLUSION - LATEX

U640-0410 EXCLUSION - UREA FORMALDEHYDE

U730-0212 EXCLUSION - BENZENE

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#### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART DECLARATIONS

This coverage part consists of this Declarations form, the Common Policy Conditions, the Commercial General Liability Coverage Form and the endorsements indicated as applicable.

**POLICY NO.** 103 GL 0010808-00

NAMED INSURED: Evangers Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc.

LIMITS OF	INSURANCE	

General Aggregate Limit (Other Than Products – Completed Operations)	\$2,000,000	
Products Completed Operations Aggregate Limit	Excluded	
Personal & Advertising Injury Limit	Excluded	
Each Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000	
Damage To Premises Rented To You Limit	\$100,000	Any One Premises
Medical Expense Limit		Any One Person

**RETROACTIVE DATE** (CG 00 02 only) – Coverage A of this insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" which occurs before Retroactive Date, if any, shown below.

Retroactive Date:

(Enter Date or "None" if no Retroactive Date Applies)

Location of All Premises You Own, Rent or Occupy (Same as Item 1 unless shown below):

211 Wheeling Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

FORMS / ENDORSEMENTS APPLICABLE: SEE FORM U001 - SCHEDULE OF FORMS AND ENDORSEMENTS					TAL PREMIUM FOR THIS VERAGE PART	\$5,500.00
Pet Food Mfg.	57913	Gross Sales \$10,000,000	\$0.	.54	Excluded	\$5,500.00 - MP
CLASSIFICATION	CODE NO.	PREMIUM BASIS	RA	TE	ADVANCE PR / CO	PREMIUM ALL OTHER

FORM OF BUSINESS: Corporation

Audit Period: Annual unless otherwise stated:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CG 00 01 12 07

## COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM

Various provisions in this policy restrict coverage. Read the entire policy carefully to determine rights, duties and what is and is not covered.

Throughout this policy the words "you" and "your" refer to the Named Insured shown in the Declarations, and any other person or organization qualifying as a Named Insured under this policy. The words "we", "us" and "our" refer to the company providing this insurance.

The word "insured" means any person or organization qualifying as such under Section II – Who Is An Insured.

Other words and phrases that appear in quotation marks have special meaning. Refer to Section  $\mathbf{V}$  — Definitions.

#### **SECTION I - COVERAGES**

# COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY

#### 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any "occurrence" and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:
  - The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance; and
  - (2) Our right and duty to defend ends when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages A or B or medical expenses under Coverage C.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages A and B.

- b. This insurance applies to "bodily injury" and "property damage" only if:
  - (1) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" is caused by an "occurrence" that takes place in the "coverage territory";
  - (2) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs during the policy period; and
  - (3) Prior to the policy period, no insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II Who Is An Insured and no "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim, knew that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" had occurred, in whole or in part. If such a listed insured or authorized "employee" knew, prior to the policy period, that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurred, then any continuation, change or resumption of such "bodily injury" or "property damage" during or after the policy period will be deemed to have been known prior to the policy period.
- c. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" which occurs during the policy period and was not, prior to the policy period, known to have occurred by any insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II Who Is An Insured or any "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim, includes any continuation, change or resumption of that "bodily injury" or "property damage" after the end of the policy period.
- d. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" will be deemed to have been known to have occurred at the earliest time when any insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II – Who Is An Insured or any "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim:
  - (1) Reports all, or any part, of the "bodily injury" or "property damage" to us or any other insurer;
  - (2) Receives a written or verbal demand or claim for damages because of the "bodily injury" or "property damage"; or
  - (3) Becomes aware by any other means that "bodily injury" or "property damage" has occurred or has begun to occur.

e. Damages because of "bodily injury" include damages claimed by any person or organization for care, loss of services or death resulting at any time from the "bodily injury".

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### a. Expected Or Intended Injury

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" expected or intended from the standpoint of the insured. This exclusion does not apply to "bodily injury" resulting from the use of reasonable force to protect persons or property.

#### b. Contractual Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the insured is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages:

- (1) That the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement; or
- (2) Assumed in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract", provided the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs subsequent to the execution of the contract or agreement. Solely for the purposes of liability assumed in an "insured contract", reasonable attorney fees and necessary litigation expenses incurred by or for a party other than an insured are deemed to be damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage", provided:
  - (a) Liability to such party for, or for the cost of, that party's defense has also been assumed in the same "insured contract"; and
  - (b) Such attorney fees and litigation expenses are for defense of that party against a civil or alternative dispute resolution proceeding in which damages to which this insurance applies are alleged.

#### c. Liquor Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which any insured may be held liable by reason of:

- Causing or contributing to the intoxication of any person;
- (2) The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to a person under the legal drinking age or under the influence of alcohol; or
- (3) Any statute, ordinance or regulation relating to the sale, gift, distribution or use of alcoholic beverages.

This exclusion applies only if you are in the business of manufacturing, distributing, selling, serving or furnishing alcoholic beverages.

#### d. Workers' Compensation And Similar Laws

Any obligation of the insured under a workers' compensation, disability benefits or unemployment compensation law or any similar law.

#### e. Employer's Liability

"Bodily injury" to:

- (1) An "employee" of the insured arising out of and in the course of:
  - (a) Employment by the insured: or
  - (b) Performing duties related to the conduct of the insured's business; or
- (2) The spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that "employee" as a consequence of Paragraph (1) above.

This exclusion applies whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity and to any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury.

This exclusion does not apply to liability assumed by the insured under an "insured contract".

#### f. Pollution

- (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants":
  - (a) At or from any premises, site or location which is or was at any time owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured. However, this subparagraph does not apply to:
    - (i) "Bodily injury" if sustained within a building and caused by smoke, fumes, vapor or soot produced by or originating from equipment that is used to heat, cool or dehumidify the building, or equipment that is used to heat water for personal use, by the building's occupants or their guests;
    - (ii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which you may be held liable, if you are a contractor and the owner or lessee of such premises, site or location has been added to your policy as an additional insured with respect to your ongoing operations performed for that additional insured at that premises, site or location and such premises, site or location is not and never was owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured, other than that additional insured; or
    - (iii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke or fumes from a "hostile fire":
  - (b) At or from any premises, site or location which is or was at any time used by or for any insured or others for the handling, storage, disposal, processing or treatment of waste;
  - (c) Which are or were at any time transported, handled, stored, treated, disposed of, or processed as waste by or for:
    - (i) Any insured; or
    - (ii) Any person or organization for whom you may be legally responsible; or

- (d) At or from any premises, site or location on which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the "pollutants" are brought on or to the premises, site or location in connection with such operations by such insured, contractor or subcontractor. However, this subparagraph does not apply to:
  - (i) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the escape of fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids which are needed to perform the normal electrical, hydraulic or mechanical functions necessary for the operation of "mobile equipment" or its parts, if such fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids escape from a vehicle part designed to hold, store or receive them. This exception does not apply if the "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the intentional discharge, dispersal or release of the fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids, or if such fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids are brought on or to the premises, site or location with the intent that they be discharged, dispersed or released as part of the operations being performed by such insured, contractor or subcontractor;
  - (ii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" sustained within a building and caused by the release of gases, fumes or vapors from materials brought into that building in connection with operations being performed by you or on your behalf by a contractor or subcontractor; or
  - (iii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke or fumes from a "hostile fire".
- (e) At or from any premises, site or location on which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the operations are to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants".

- (2) Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
  - (a) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants"; or
  - (b) Claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

However, this paragraph does not apply to liability for damages because of "property damage" that the insured would have in the absence of such request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement, or such claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority.

#### g. Aircraft, Auto Or Watercraft

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft, "auto" or watercraft owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured. Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft, "auto" or watercraft that is owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured.

This exclusion does not apply to:

- A watercraft while ashore on premises you own or rent;
- (2) A watercraft you do not own that is:
  - (a) Less than 26 feet long; and
  - (b) Not being used to carry persons or property for a charge;
- (3) Parking an "auto" on, or on the ways next to, premises you own or rent, provided the "auto" is not owned by or rented or loaned to you or the insured;
- (4) Liability assumed under any "insured contract" for the ownership, maintenance or use of aircraft or watercraft; or

- (5) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (a) The operation of machinery or equipment that is attached to, or part of, a land vehicle that would qualify under the definition of "mobile equipment" if it were not subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law in the state where it is licensed or principally garaged; or
  - (b) the operation of any of the machinery or equipment listed in Paragraph f.(2) or f.(3) of the definition of "mobile equipment".

#### h. Mobile Equipment

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:

- (1) The transportation of "mobile equipment" by an "auto" owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured; or
- (2) The use of "mobile equipment" in, or while in practice for, or while being prepared for, any prearranged racing, speed, demolition, or stunting activity.

#### i. War

"Bodily injury" or "property damage", however caused, arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) War, including undeclared or civil war;
- (2) Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
- (3) Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

#### j. Damage To Property

"Property damage" to:

- (1) Property you own, rent, or occupy, including any costs or expenses incurred by you, or any other person, organization or entity, for repair, replacement, enhancement, restoration or maintenance of such property for any reason, including prevention of injury to a person or damage to another's property;
- (2) Premises you sell, give away or abandon, if the "property damage" arises out of any part of those premises;
- (3) Property loaned to you;
- (4) Personal property in the care, custody or control of the insured;

- (5) That particular part of real property on which you or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on your behalf are performing operations, if the "property damage" arises out of those operations; or
- (6) That particular part of any property that must be restored, repaired or replaced because "your work" was incorrectly performed on it.

Paragraphs (1), (3) and (4) of this exclusion do not apply to "property damage" (other than damage by fire) to premises, including the contents of such premises, rented to you for a period of 7 or fewer consecutive days. A separate limit of insurance applies to Damage To Premises Rented To You as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance.

Paragraph (2) of this exclusion does not apply if the premises are "your work" and were never occupied, rented or held for rental by you.

Paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (6) of this exclusion do not apply to liability assumed under a sidetrack agreement.

Paragraph (6) of this exclusion does not apply to "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

#### k. Damage To Your Product

"Property damage" to "your product" arising out of it or any part of it.

#### I. Damage To Your Work

"Property damage" to "your work" arising out of it or any part of it and included in the "productscompleted operations hazard".

This exclusion does not apply if the damaged work or the work out of which the damage arises was performed on your behalf by a subcontractor.

#### m. Damage To Impaired Property Or Property Not Physically Injured

"Property damage" to "impaired property" or property that has not been physically injured, arising out of:

- A defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in "your product" or "your work"; or
- (2) A delay or failure by you or anyone acting on your behalf to perform a contract or agreement in accordance with its terms.

This exclusion does not apply to the loss of use of other property arising out of sudden and accidental physical injury to "your product" or "your work" after it has been put to its intended use.

# n. Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property

Damages claimed for any loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others for the loss of use, withdrawal, recall, inspection, repair, replacement, adjustment, removal or disposal of:

- (1) "Your product";
- (2) "Your work"; or
- (3) "Impaired property";

if such product, work, or property is withdrawn or recalled from the market or from use by any person or organization because of a known or suspected defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in it.

#### o. Personal And Advertising Injury

"Bodily injury" arising out of "personal and advertising injury".

#### p. Electronic Data

Damages arising out of the loss of, loss of use of, damage to, corruption of, inability to access, or inability to manipulate electronic data.

As used in this exclusion, electronic data means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software, including systems and applications software, hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMS, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.

# q. Distribution Of Material In Violation Of Statutes

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

- (1) The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including any amendment of or addition to such law; or
- (2) The CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, including any amendment of or addition to such law; or
- (3) Any statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA or CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, that prohibits or limits the sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

Exclusions c. through n. do not apply to damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner. A separate limit of insurance applies to this coverage as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance.

# COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY

#### 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any offense and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:
  - The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance; and
  - (2) Our right and duty to defend end when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages A or B or medical expenses under Coverage C.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages A and B.

b. This insurance applies to "personal and advertising injury" caused by an offense arising out of your business but only if the offense was committed in the "coverage territory" during the policy period.

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### a. Knowing Violation Of Rights Of Another

"Personal and advertising injury" caused by or at the direction of the insured with the knowledge that the act would violate the rights of another and would inflict "personal and advertising injury".

# b. Material Published With Knowledge Of Falsity

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication of material, if done by or at the direction of the insured with knowledge of its falsity.

#### c. Material Published Prior To Policy Period

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication of material whose first publication took place before the beginning of the policy period.

#### d. Criminal Acts

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a criminal act committed by or at the direction of the insured.

#### e. Contractual Liability

"Personal and advertising injury" for which the insured has assumed liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.

#### f. Breach Of Contract

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a breach of contract, except an implied contract to use another's advertising idea in your "advertisement".

# g. Quality Or Performance Of Goods – Failure To Conform To Statements

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the failure of goods, products or services to conform with any statement of quality or performance made in your "advertisement".

#### h. Wrong Description Of Prices

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the wrong description of the price of goods, products or services stated in your "advertisement".

#### i. Infringement Of Copyright, Patent, Trademark Or Trade Secret

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the infringement of copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret or other intellectual property rights. Under this exclusion, such other intellectual property rights do not include the use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement".

However, this exclusion does not apply to infringement, in your "advertisement", of copyright, trade dress or slogan.

# j. Insureds In Media And Internet Type Businesses

"Personal and advertising injury" committed by an insured whose business is:

- (1) Advertising, broadcasting, publishing or telecasting;
- (2) Designing or determining content of websites for others; or

(3) An Internet search, access, content or service provider.

However, this exclusion does not apply to Paragraphs **14.a.**, **b.** and **c.** of "personal and advertising injury" under the Definitions Section.

For the purposes of this exclusion, the placing of frames, borders or links, or advertising, for you or others anywhere on the Internet, is not by itself, considered the business of advertising, broadcasting, publishing or telecasting.

#### k. Electronic Chatrooms Or Bulletin Boards

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of an electronic chatroom or bulletin board the insured hosts, owns, or over which the insured exercises control.

#### I. Unauthorized Use Of Another's Name Or Product

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the unauthorized use of another's name or product in your e-mail address, domain name or metatag, or any other similar tactics to mislead another's potential customers.

#### m. Pollution

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" at any time.

#### n. Pollution-Related

Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:

- Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants"; or
- (2) Claim or suit by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

#### o. War

"Personal and advertising injury", however caused, arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) War, including undeclared or civil war:
- (2) Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or

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"Personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

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- (3) Any statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA or CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, that prohibits or limits the sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

#### **COVERAGE C MEDICAL PAYMENTS**

#### 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay medical expenses as described below for "bodily injury" caused by an accident:
  - (1) On premises you own or rent;
  - (2) On ways next to premises you own or rent;
  - (3) Because of your operations; provided that:
    - (a) The accident takes place in the "coverage territory" and during the policy period;
    - (b) The expenses are incurred and reported to us within one year of the date of the accident; and
    - (c) The injured person submits to examination, at our expense, by physicians of our choice as often as we reasonably require.
- b. We will make these payments regardless of fault. These payments will not exceed the applicable limit of insurance. We will pay reasonable expenses for:
  - First aid administered at the time of an accident;
  - (2) Necessary medical, surgical, x-ray and dental services, including prosthetic devices; and
  - (3) Necessary ambulance, hospital, professional nursing and funeral services.

#### 2. Exclusions

We will not pay expenses for "bodily injury":

#### a. Any Insured

To any insured, except "volunteer workers".

#### b. Hired Person

To a person hired to do work for or on behalf of any insured or a tenant of any insured.

#### c. Injury On Normally Occupied Premises

To a person injured on that part of premises you own or rent that the person normally occupies.

#### d. Workers Compensation And Similar Laws

To a person, whether or not an "employee" of any insured, if benefits for the "bodily injury" are payable or must be provided under a workers' compensation or disability benefits law or a similar law.

#### e. Athletics Activities

To a person injured while practicing, instructing or participating in any physical exercises or games, sports, or athletic contests.

#### f. Products-Completed Operations Hazard

Included within the "products-completed operations hazard".

#### g. Coverage A Exclusions

Excluded under Coverage A.

# SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS - COVERAGES A AND B

- We will pay, with respect to any claim we investigate or settle, or any "suit" against an insured we defend:
  - a. All expenses we incur.
  - b. Up to \$250 for cost of bail bonds required because of accidents or traffic law violations arising out of the use of any vehicle to which the Bodily Injury Liability Coverage applies. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
  - c. The cost of bonds to release attachments, but only for bond amounts within the applicable limit of insurance. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
  - d. All reasonable expenses incurred by the insured at our request to assist us in the investigation or defense of the claim or "suit", including actual loss of earnings up to \$250 a day because of time off from work.
  - e. All court costs taxed against the insured in the "suit". However, these payments do not include attorneys' fees or attorneys' expenses taxed against the insured.

- f. Prejudgment interest awarded against the insured on that part of the judgment we pay. If we make an offer to pay the applicable limit of insurance, we will not pay any prejudgment interest based on that period of time after the offer.
- g. All interest on the full amount of any judgment that accrues after entry of the judgment and before we have paid, offered to pay, or deposited in court the part of the judgment that is within the applicable limit of insurance.

These payments will not reduce the limits of insurance.

- 2. If we defend an insured against a "suit" and an indemnitee of the insured is also named as a party to the "suit", we will defend that indemnitee if all of the following conditions are met:
  - a. The "suit" against the indemnitee seeks damages for which the insured has assumed the liability of the indemnitee in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract";
  - b. This insurance applies to such liability assumed by the insured;
  - c. The obligation to defend, or the cost of the defense of, that indemnitee, has also been assumed by the insured in the same "insured contract";
  - d. The allegations in the "suit" and the information we know about the "occurrence" are such that no conflict appears to exist between the interests of the insured and the interests of the indemnitee;
  - e. The indemnitee and the insured ask us to conduct and control the defense of that indemnitee against such "suit" and agree that we can assign the same counsel to defend the insured and the indemnitee; and
  - f. The indemnitee:
    - (1) Agrees in writing to:
      - (a) Cooperate with us in the investigation, settlement or defense of the "suit";
      - (b) Immediately send us copies of any demands, notices, summonses or legal papers received in connection with the "suit";
      - (c) Notify any other insurer whose coverage is available to the indemnitee; and
      - (d) Cooperate with us with respect to coordinating other applicable insurance available to the indemnitee; and
    - (2) Provides us with written authorization to:
      - (a) Obtain records and other information related to the "suit"; and

(b) Conduct and control the defense of the indemnitee in such "suit".

So long as the above conditions are met, attorneys' fees incurred by us in the defense of that indemnitee, necessary litigation expenses incurred by us and necessary litigation expenses incurred by the indemnitee at our request will be paid as Supplementary Payments. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 2.b.(2) of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability, such payments will not be deemed to be damages for "bodily injury" and "property damage" and will not reduce the limits of insurance.

Our obligation to defend an insured's indemnitee and to pay for attorneys' fees and necessary litigation expenses as Supplementary Payments ends when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements or the conditions set forth above, or the terms of the agreement described in Paragraph f. above, are no longer met.

#### SECTION II - WHO IS AN INSURED

- 1. If you are designated in the Declarations as:
  - a. An individual, you and your spouse are insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of a business of which you are the sole owner.
  - b. A partnership or joint venture, you are an insured. Your members, your partners, and their spouses are also insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of your business.
  - c. A limited liability company, you are an insured. Your members are also insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of your business. Your managers are insureds, but only with respect to their duties as your managers.
  - d. An organization other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, you are an insured. Your "executive officers" and directors are insureds, but only with respect to their duties as your officers or directors. Your stockholders are also insureds, but only with respect to their liability as stockholders.
  - A trust, you are an insured. Your trustees are also insureds, but only with respect to their duties as trustees.

- 2. Each of the following is also an insured:
  - a. Your "volunteer workers" only while performing duties related to the conduct of your business, or your "employees", other than either your "executive officers" (if you are an organization other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company) or your managers (if you are a limited liability company), but only for acts within the scope of their employment by you or while performing duties related to the conduct of your business. However, none of these "employees" or "volunteer workers" are insureds for:
    - (1) "Bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury":
      - (a) To you, to your partners or members (if you are a partnership or joint venture), to your members (if you are a limited liability company), to a co-"employee" while in the course of his or her employment or performing duties related to the conduct of your business, or to your other "volunteer workers" while performing duties related to the conduct of your business;
      - (b) To the spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that co-"employee" or "volunteer worker" as a consequence of Paragraph (1)(a) above;
      - (c) For which there is any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury described in Paragraphs (1)(a) or (b) above; or
      - (d) Arising out of his or her providing or failing to provide professional health care services.
    - (2) "Property damage" to property:
      - (a) Owned, occupied or used by,
      - (b) Rented to, in the care, custody or control of, or over which physical control is being exercised for any purpose by

you, any of your "employees", "volunteer workers", any partner or member (if you are a partnership or joint venture), or any member (if you are a limited liability company).

- b. Any person (other than your "employee" or "volunteer worker"), or any organization while acting as your real estate manager.
- c. Any person or organization having proper temporary custody of your property if you die, but only:
  - (1) With respect to liability arising out of the maintenance or use of that property; and
  - (2) Until your legal representative has been appointed.
- d. Your legal representative if you die, but only with respect to duties as such. That representative will have all your rights and duties under this Coverage Part.
- 3. Any organization you newly acquire or form, other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, and over which you maintain ownership or majority interest, will qualify as a Named Insured if there is no other similar insurance available to that organization. However:
  - a. Coverage under this provision is afforded only until the 90th day after you acquire or form the organization or the end of the policy period, whichever is earlier;
  - b. Coverage A does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" that occurred before you acquired or formed the organization; and
  - c. Coverage B does not apply to "personal and advertising injury" arising out of an offense committed before you acquired or formed the organization.

No person or organization is an insured with respect to the conduct of any current or past partnership, joint venture or limited liability company that is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations.

#### SECTION III - LIMITS OF INSURANCE

- 1. The Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations and the rules below fix the most we will pay regardless of the number of:
  - a. Insureds:
  - b. Claims made or "suits" brought; or
  - c. Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".
- 2. The General Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of:
  - a. Medical expenses under Coverage C;
  - b. Damages under Coverage A, except damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard"; and
  - c. Damages under Coverage B.

- 3. The Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage A for damages because of "bodily injury" and "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".
- 4. Subject to Paragraph 2. above, the Personal and Advertising Injury Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage B for the sum of all damages because of all "personal and advertising injury" sustained by any one person or organization.
- 5. Subject to Paragraph 2. or 3. above, whichever applies, the Each Occurrence Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of:
  - a. Damages under Coverage A; and
  - b. Medical expenses under Coverage C because of all "bodily injury" and "property dam-

age" arising out of any one "occurrence".

- 6. Subject to Paragraph 5. above, the Damage To Premises Rented To You Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage A for damages because of "property damage" to any one premises, while rented to you, or in the case of damage by fire, while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner.
- 7. Subject to Paragraph 5. above, the Medical Expense Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage C for all medical expenses because of "bodily injury" sustained by any one person.

The Limits of Insurance of this Coverage Part apply separately to each consecutive annual period and to any remaining period of less than 12 months, starting with the beginning of the policy period shown in the Declarations, unless the policy period is extended after issuance for an additional period of less than 12 months. In that case, the additional period will be deemed part of the last preceding period for purposes of determining the Limits of Insurance.

#### SECTION IV - COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CONDITIONS

#### 1. Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy or insolvency of the insured or of the insured's estate will not relieve us of our obligations under this Coverage Part.

#### 2. Duties In The Event Of Occurrence, Offense, Claim Or Suit

- a. You must see to it that we are notified as soon as practicable of an "occurrence" or an offense which may result in a claim. To the extent possible, notice should include:
  - (1) How, when and where the "occurrence" or offense took place;
  - (2) The names and addresses of any injured persons and witnesses; and

- (3) The nature and location of any injury or damage arising out of the "occurrence" or offense.
- **b.** If a claim is made or "suit" is brought against any insured, you must:
  - Immediately record the specifics of the claim or "suit" and the date received; and
  - (2) Notify us as soon as practicable.

You must see to it that we receive written notice of the claim or "suit" as soon as practicable

- c. You and any other involved insured must:
  - (1) Immediately send us copies of any demands, notices, summonses or legal papers received in connection with the claim or "suit":
  - (2) Authorize us to obtain records and other information;
  - (3) Cooperate with us in the investigation or settlement of the claim or defense against the "suit"; and
  - (4) Assist us, upon our request, in the enforcement of any right against any person or organization which may be liable to the insured because of injury or damage to which this insurance may also apply.
- d. No insured will, except at that insured's own cost, voluntarily make a payment, assume any obligation, or incur any expense, other than for first aid, without our consent.

#### 3. Legal Action Against Us

No person or organization has a right under this Coverage Part:

- To join us as a party or otherwise bring us into a "suit" asking for damages from an insured; or
- **b.** To sue us on this Coverage Part unless all of its terms have been fully complied with.

A person or organization may sue us to recover on an agreed settlement or on a final judgment against an insured; but we will not be liable for damages that are not payable under the terms of this Coverage Part or that are in excess of the applicable limit of insurance. An agreed settlement means a settlement and release of liability signed by us, the insured and the claimant or the claimant's legal representative.

#### 4. Other Insurance

If other valid and collectible insurance is available to the insured for a loss we cover under Coverages A or B of this Coverage Part, our obligations are limited as follows:

#### a. Primary Insurance

This insurance is primary except when Paragraph b. below applies. If this insurance is primary, our obligations are not affected unless any of the other insurance is also primary. Then, we will share with all that other insurance by the method described in Paragraph c. below.

#### b. Excess Insurance

- (1) This insurance is excess over:
  - (a) Any of the other insurance, whether primary, excess, contingent or on any other basis:
    - (i) That is Fire, Extended Coverage, Builder's Risk, Installation Risk or similar coverage for "your work";
    - (ii) That is Fire insurance for premises rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner:
    - (iii) That is insurance purchased by you to cover your liability as a tenant for "property damage" to premises rented to you or temporarily occupled by you with permission of the owner; or
    - (iv) If the loss arises out of the maintenance or use of aircraft, "autos" or watercraft to the extent not subject to Exclusion g. of Section I — Coverage A — Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability.
  - (b) Any other primary insurance available to you covering liability for damages arising out of the premises or operations, or the products and completed operations, for which you have been added as an additional insured by attachment of an endorsement.
- (2) When this insurance is excess, we will have no duty under Coverages A or B to defend the insured against any "suit" if any other insurer has a duty to defend the insured against that "suit". If no other insurer defends, we will undertake to do so, but we will be entitled to the insured's rights against all those other insurers.

- (3) When this insurance is excess over other insurance, we will pay only our share of the amount of the loss, if any, that exceeds the sum of:
  - (a) The total amount that all such other insurance would pay for the loss in the absence of this insurance; and
  - (b) The total of all deductible and selfinsured amounts under all that other insurance.
- (4) We will share the remaining loss, if any, with any other insurance that is not described in this Excess Insurance provision and was not bought specifically to apply in excess of the Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations of this Coverage Part.

#### c. Method Of Sharing

If all of the other insurance permits contribution by equal shares, we will follow this method also. Under this approach each insurer contributes equal amounts until it has paid its applicable limit of insurance or none of the loss remains, whichever comes first.

If any of the other insurance does not permit contribution by equal shares, we will contribute by limits. Under this method, each insurer's share is based on the ratio of its applicable limit of insurance to the total applicable limits of insurance of all insurers.

#### 5. Premium Audit

- a. We will compute all premiums for this Coverage Part in accordance with our rules and rates.
- b. Premium shown in this Coverage Part as advance premium is a deposit premium only. At the close of each audit period we will compute the earned premium for that period and send notice to the first Named Insured. The due date for audit and retrospective premiums is the date shown as the due date on the bill. If the sum of the advance and audit premiums paid for the policy period is greater than the earned premium, we will return the excess to the first Named Insured.
- c. The first Named Insured must keep records of the information we need for premium computation, and send us copies at such times as we may request.

#### 6. Representations

By accepting this policy, you agree:

- The statements in the Declarations are accurate and complete;
- b. Those statements are based upon representations you made to us; and

**c.** We have issued this policy in reliance upon your representations.

#### 7. Separation Of Insureds

Except with respect to the Limits of Insurance, and any rights or duties specifically assigned in this Coverage Part to the first Named Insured, this insurance applies:

- a. As if each Named Insured were the only Named Insured; and
- Separately to each insured against whom claim is made or "suit" is brought.

# 8. Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us

If the insured has rights to recover all or part of any payment we have made under this Coverage Part, those rights are transferred to us. The insured must do nothing after loss to impair them. At our request, the insured will bring "suit" or transfer those rights to us and help us enforce them.

#### 9. When We Do Not Renew

If we decide not to renew this Coverage Part, we will mail or deliver to the first Named Insured shown in the Declarations written notice of the nonrenewal not less than 30 days before the expiration date.

If notice is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

#### **SECTION V - DEFINITIONS**

- "Advertisement" means a notice that is broadcast or published to the general public or specific market segments about your goods, products or services for the purpose of attracting customers or supporters. For the purposes of this definition:
  - a. Notices that are published include material placed on the Internet or on similar electronic means of communication; and
  - b. Regarding web-sites, only that part of a website that is about your goods, products or services for the purposes of attracting customers or supporters is considered an advertisement.

#### 2. "Auto" means:

- A land motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer designed for travel on public roads, including any attached machinery or equipment; or
- b. Any other land vehicle that is subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law in the state where it is licensed or principally garaged.

However, "auto" does not include "mobile equipment".

- "Bodily injury" means bodily injury, sickness or disease sustained by a person, including death resulting from any of these at any time.
- "Coverage territory" means:
  - a. The United States of America (including its territories and possessions), Puerto Rico and Canada;
  - b. International waters or airspace, but only if the injury or damage occurs in the course of travel or transportation between any places included in Paragraph a. above; or
  - c. All other parts of the world if the injury or damage arises out of:
    - (1) Goods or products made or sold by you in the territory described in Paragraph a. above:
    - (2) The activities of a person whose home is in the territory described in Paragraph a. above, but is away for a short time on your business; or
    - (3) "Personal and advertising injury" offenses that take place through the Internet or similar electronic means of communication

provided the insured's responsibility to pay damages is determined in a "suit" on the merits, in the territory described in Paragraph a. above or in a settlement we agree to.

- "Employee" includes a "leased worker". "Employee" does not include a "temporary worker".
- "Executive officer" means a person holding any of the officer positions created by your charter, constitution, by-laws or any other similar governing document.
- "Hostile fire" means one which becomes uncontrollable or breaks out from where it was intended to be.
- 8. "Impaired property" means tangible property, other than "your product" or "your work", that cannot be used or is less useful because:
  - a. It incorporates "your product" or "your work" that is known or thought to be defective, deficient, inadequate or dangerous; or
  - You have failed to fulfill the terms of a contract or agreement;

if such property can be restored to use by the repair, replacement, adjustment or removal of "your product" or "your work" or your fulfilling the terms of the contract or agreement.

- 9. "Insured contract" means:
  - a. A contract for a lease of premises. However, that portion of the contract for a lease of premises that indemnifies any person or organization for damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner is not an "insured contract":
  - b. A sidetrack agreement:
  - c. Any easement or license agreement, except in connection with construction or demolition operations on or within 50 feet of a railroad:
  - d. An obligation, as required by ordinance, to indemnify a municipality, except in connection with work for a municipality;
  - e. An elevator maintenance agreement;
  - f. That part of any other contract or agreement pertaining to your business (including an indemnification of a municipality in connection with work performed for a municipality) under which you assume the tort liability of another party to pay for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to a third person or organization. Tort liability means a liability that would be imposed by law in the absence of any contract or agreement.

Paragraph f. does not include that part of any contract or agreement:

- (1) That indemnifies a railroad for "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of construction or demolition operations, within 50 feet of any railroad property and affecting any railroad bridge or trestle, tracks, roadbeds, tunnel, underpass or crossing;
- (2) That indemnifies an architect, engineer or surveyor for injury or damage arising out of:
  - (a) Preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
  - (b) Giving directions or instructions, or failing to give them, if that is the primary cause of the injury or damage; or
- (3) Under which the insured, if an architect, engineer or surveyor, assumes liability for an injury or damage arising out of the insured's rendering or failure to render professional services, including those listed in (2) above and supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

- 10. "Leased worker" means a person leased to you by a labor leasing firm under an agreement between you and the labor leasing firm, to perform duties related to the conduct of your business. "Leased worker" does not include a "temporary worker".
- 11. "Loading or unloading" means the handling of property:
  - a. After it is moved from the place where it is accepted for movement into or onto an aircraft, watercraft or "auto";
  - **b.** While it is in or on an aircraft, watercraft or "auto"; or
  - c. While it is being moved from an aircraft, watercraft or "auto" to the place where it is finally delivered;

but "loading or unloading" does not include the movement of property by means of a mechanical device, other than a hand truck, that is not attached to the aircraft, watercraft or "auto".

- 12. "Mobile equipment" means any of the following types of land vehicles, including any attached machinery or equipment:
  - a. Bulldozers, farm machinery, forklifts and other vehicles designed for use principally off public roads:
  - b. Vehicles maintained for use solely on or next to premises you own or rent;
  - **c.** Vehicles that travel on crawler treads:
  - d. Vehicles, whether self-propelled or not, maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently mounted:
    - Power cranes, shovels, loaders, diggers or drills; or
    - (2) Road construction or resurfacing equipment such as graders, scrapers or rollers;
  - e. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above that are not self-propelled and are maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently attached equipment of the following types:
    - Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment; or
    - (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices used to raise or lower workers;
  - f. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above maintained primarily for purposes other than the transportation of persons or cargo.

However, self-propelled vehicles with the following types of permanently attached equipment are not "mobile equipment" but will be considered "autos":

- (1) Equipment designed primarily for:
  - (a) Snow removal;
  - (b) Road maintenance, but not construction or resurfacing; or
  - (c) Street cleaning;
- (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices mounted on automobile or truck chassis and used to raise or lower workers; and
- (3) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment.

However, "mobile equipment" does not include any land vehicles that are subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law in the state where it is licensed or principally garaged. Land vehicles subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law are considered "autos".

- 13. "Occurrence" means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions.
- 14. "Personal and advertising injury" means injury, including consequential "bodily injury", arising out of one or more of the following offenses:
  - a. False arrest, detention or imprisonment;
  - b. Malicious prosecution;
  - c. The wrongful eviction from, wrongful entry into, or invasion of the right of private occupancy of a room, dwelling or premises that a person occupies, committed by or on behalf of its owner, landlord or lessor;
  - d. Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that slanders or libels a person or organization or disparages a person's or organization's goods, products or services:
  - e. Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that violates a person's right of privacy;
  - f. The use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement"; or
  - g. Infringing upon another's copyright, trade dress or slogan in your "advertisement".

- 15. "Pollutants" mean any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.
- 16. "Products-completed operations hazard":
  - a. Includes all "bodily injury" and "property damage" occurring away from premises you own or rent and arising out of "your product" or "your work" except:
    - Products that are still in your physical possession; or
    - (2) Work that has not yet been completed or abandoned. However, "your work" will be deemed completed at the earliest of the following times:
      - (a) When all of the work called for in your contract has been completed.
      - (b) When all of the work to be done at the job site has been completed if your contract calls for work at more than one job site.
      - (c) When that part of the work done at a job site has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor working on the same project.

Work that may need service, maintenance, correction, repair or replacement, but which is otherwise complete, will be treated as completed.

- **b.** Does not include "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (1) The transportation of property, unless the injury or damage arises out of a condition in or on a vehicle not owned or operated by you, and that condition was created by the "loading or unloading" of that vehicle by any insured;
  - (2) The existence of tools, uninstalled equipment or abandoned or unused materials; or
  - (3) Products or operations for which the classification, listed in the Declarations or in a policy schedule, states that products-completed operations are subject to the General Aggregate Limit.

#### 17. "Property damage" means:

a. Physical injury to tangible property, including all resulting loss of use of that property. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the physical injury that caused it; or b. Loss of use of tangible property that is not physically injured. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the "occurrence" that caused it.

For the purposes of this insurance, electronic data is not tangible property.

As used in this definition, electronic data means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software, including systems and applications software, hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMS, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.

- 18. "Suit" means a civil proceeding in which damages because of "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance applies are alleged. "Suit" includes:
  - An arbitration proceeding in which such damages are claimed and to which the insured must submit or does submit with our consent; or
  - Any other alternative dispute resolution proceeding in which such damages are claimed and to which the insured submits with our consent
- 19. "Temporary worker" means a person who is furnished to you to substitute for a permanent "employee" on leave or to meet seasonal or short-term workload conditions.
- 20. "Volunteer worker" means a person who is not your "employee", and who donates his or her work and acts at the direction of and within the scope of duties determined by you, and is not paid a fee, salary or other compensation by you or anyone else for their work performed for you.

#### 21. "Your product":

- a. Means:
  - (1) Any goods or products, other than real property, manufactured, sold, handled, distributed or disposed of by:
    - (a) You;
    - (b) Others trading under your name: or
    - (c) A person or organization whose business or assets you have acquired; and
  - (2) Containers (other than vehicles), materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such goods or products.

#### b. includes:

(1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your product"; and

- (2) The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.
- c. Does not include vending machines or other property rented to or located for the use of others but not sold.

#### 22. "Your work":

- a. Means:
  - (1) Work or operations performed by you or on your behalf; and
  - (2) Materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations.

#### b. Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your work", and
- (2) The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.

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## **COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS**

All Coverage Parts included in this policy are subject to the following conditions.

#### A. Cancellation

- The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations may cancel this policy by mailing or delivering to us advance written notice of cancellation.
- We may cancel this policy by mailing or delivering to the first Named Insured written notice of cancellation at least:
  - a. 10 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for nonpayment of premium; or
  - **b.** 30 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for any other reason.
- We will mail or deliver our notice to the first Named Insured's last mailing address known to us.
- Notice of cancellation will state the effective date of cancellation. The policy period will end on that date.
- 5. If this policy is cancelled, we will send the first Named Insured any premium refund due. If we cancel, the refund will be pro rata. If the first Named Insured cancels, the refund may be less than pro rata. The cancellation will be effective even if we have not made or offered a refund.
- If notice is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

#### B. Changes

This policy contains all the agreements between you and us concerning the insurance afforded. The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations is authorized to make changes in the terms of this policy with our consent. This policy's terms can be amended or waived only by endorsement issued by us and made a part of this policy.

#### C. Examination Of Your Books And Records

We may examine and audit your books and records as they relate to this policy at any time during the policy period and up to three years afterward.

#### D. Inspections And Surveys

- 1. We have the right to:
  - a. Make inspections and surveys at any time;

- Give you reports on the conditions we find;
   and
- c. Recommend changes.
- 2. We are not obligated to make any inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations and any such actions we do undertake relate only to insurability and the premiums to be charged. We do not make safety inspections. We do not undertake to perform the duty of any person or organization to provide for the health or safety of workers or the public. And we do not warrant that conditions:
  - a. Are safe or healthful: or
  - b. Comply with laws, regulations, codes or standards.
- Paragraphs 1. and 2. of this condition apply not only to us, but also to any rating, advisory, rate service or similar organization which makes insurance inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations.
- 4. Paragraph 2. of this condition does not apply to any inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations we may make relative to certification, under state or municipal statutes, ordinances or regulations, of boilers, pressure vessels or elevators.

#### E. Premiums

The first Named Insured shown in the Declara-

- Is responsible for the payment of all premiums; and
- Will be the payee for any return premiums we pay.

# F. Transfer Of Your Rights And Duties Under This Policy

Your rights and duties under this policy may not be transferred without our written consent except in the case of death of an individual named insured.

If you die, your rights and duties will be transferred to your legal representative but only while acting within the scope of duties as your legal representative. Until your legal representative is appointed, anyone having proper temporary custody of your property will have your rights and duties but only with respect to that property.

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#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## ILLINOIS CHANGES - DEFENSE COSTS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE PART COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART COMMERCIAL LIABILITY UMBRELLA COVERAGE PART COMMERCIAL PROPERTY COVERAGE PART – LEGAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM COMMERCIAL PROPERTY COVERAGE PART - MORTGAGEHOLDERS ERRORS AND OMISSIONS **COVERAGE FORM EMPLOYMENT-RELATED PRACTICES LIABILITY COVERAGE PART FARM COVERAGE PART FARM UMBRELLA LIABILITY POLICY** LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART OWNERS AND CONTRACTORS PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART POLLUTION LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCT WITHDRAWAL COVERAGE PART RAILROAD PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK COVERAGE PART

- A. The provisions of Paragraph B. are added to all Insuring Agreements that set forth a duty to defend under:
  - Section I of the Commercial General Liability, Commercial Liability Umbrella, Employment-Related Practices Liability, Farm, Liquor Liability, Owners And Contractors Protective Liability, Pollution Liability, Products/Completed Operations Liability, Product Withdrawal, Medical Professional Liability, Railroad Protective Liability, Underground Storage Tank Coverage Parts and the Farm Umbrella Liability Policy;
  - Section II Liability Coverage in Paragraph A. Coverage under the Business Auto, Garage, Motor Carrier and Truckers Coverage Forms;
  - 3. Section A. Coverage under the Legal Liability Coverage Form; and
  - Coverage C Mortgageholder's Liability under the Mortgageholders Errors And Omissions Coverage Form.

B. If we initially defend an insured ("insured") or pay for an insured's ("insured's") defense but later determine that the claim(s) is (are) not covered under this insurance, we will have the right to reimbursement for the defense costs we have incurred.

The right to reimbursement for the defense costs under this provision will only apply to defense costs we have incurred after we notify you in writing that there may not be coverage, and that we are reserving our rights to terminate the defense and seek reimbursement for defense costs.

## THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

# CERTIFIED ACTS OF TERRORISM AND OTHER ACTS OF TERRORISM EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
FARM LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
OWNERS AND CONTRACTORS PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
RAILROAD PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. The following exclusion is added:

#### TERRORISM AND PUNITIVE DAMAGES

This insurance does not apply to "any injury or damage" arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) A "certified act of terrorism" or an "other act of terrorism", including any action taken in hindering or defending against an actual or expected incident of a "certified act of terrorism" or an "other act of terrorism"; or
- (2) Any act of terrorism:
  - (a) that involves the use, release or escape of nuclear materials, or directly or indirectly results in nuclear reaction or radiation or radioactive contamination; or
  - (b) that is carried out by means of the dispersal or application of pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials; or
  - (c) in which pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials are released, and it appears that one purpose of the terrorism was to release such materials;

regardless of any other cause or event that contributes concurrently or in any sequence to the injury or damage in (1) or (2) above; including

- (3) Damages arising, directly or indirectly, out of (1) or (2) above that are awarded as punitive damages.
- B. The terms and limitations of any terrorism exclusion, or the inapplicability or omission of a terrorism exclusion, do not serve to create coverage for injury or damage that is otherwise excluded under this Coverage Part.
- C. The following definitions are added to the **DEFINITIONS** Section:

For the purposes of this endorsement, "any injury or damage" means any injury or damage covered under any Coverage Part to which this endorsement is applicable, and includes but is not limited to any damage, "bodily injury", "property damage", "personal and advertising injury", "injury" or "environmental damage" as may be defined in any applicable Coverage Part.

"Certified act of terrorism" means an act that is certified by the Secretary of the Treasury, in accordance with the provisions of the federal Terrorism Risk Insurance Act to be an act of terrorism pursuant to such Act. The criteria contained in the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act for a "certified act of terrorism" include the following:

**a.** The act resulted in insured losses in excess of \$5 million in the aggregate, attributable to all types of insurance subject to the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act; and

**b.** The act is a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure and is committed by an individual or individuals as part of an effort to coerce the civilian population of the United States or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of the United States Government by coercion.

"Other act of terrorism" means a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure that is committed by an individual or individuals and that appears to be part of an effort to coerce a civilian population or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of any government by coercion, and the act is not a "certified act of terrorism". Multiple incidents of an "other act of terrorism" which occur within a seventy-two hour period and appear to be carried out in concert or to have a related purpose or common leadership shall be considered to be one incident.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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# RECORDING AND DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIAL OR INFORMATION IN VIOLATION OF LAW EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. Exclusion q. of Paragraph 2. Exclusions of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability is replaced by the following:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

# q. Recording And Distribution Of Material Or Information In Violation Of Law

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

- (1) The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (2) The CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, including any amendment of or addition to such law:
- (3) The Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and any amendment of or addition to such law, including the Fair and Accurate Credit Transaction Act (FACTA); or
- (4) Any federal, state or local statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA, CAN-SPAM Act of 2003 or FCRA and their amendments and additions, that addresses, prohibits, or limits the printing, dissemination, disposal, collecting, recording, sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

B. Exclusion p. of Paragraph 2. Exclusions of Section I – Coverage B – Personal And Advertising Injury Liability is replaced by the following:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### p. Recording And Distribution Of Material Or Information In Violation Of Law

"Personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

- (1) The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (2) The CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (3) The Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and any amendment of or addition to such law, including the Fair and Accurate Credit Transaction Act (FACTA); or
- (4) Any federal, state or local statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA, CAN-SPAM Act of 2003 or FCRA and their amendments and additions, that addresses, prohibits, or limits the printing, dissemination, disposal, collecting, recording, sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

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## THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## ADDITIONAL INSURED – VENDORS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

#### **SCHEDULE**

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s) (Vendor)	Your Products
All persons or organizations as required by written contract with the Named Insured	All products manufactured by the Named Insured.
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not showr	above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured any person(s) or organization(s) (referred to below as vendor) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of "your products" shown in the Schedule which are distributed or sold in the regular course of the vendor's business, subject to the following additional exclusions:
  - The insurance afforded the vendor does not apply to:
    - a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the vendor is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the vendor would have in the absence of the contract or agreement;
    - b. Any express warranty unauthorized by you;

- Any physical or chemical change in the product made intentionally by the vendor;
- d. Repackaging, except when unpacked solely for the purpose of inspection, demonstration, testing, or the substitution of parts under instructions from the manufacturer, and then repackaged in the original container;
- e. Any failure to make such inspections, adjustments, tests or servicing as the vendor has agreed to make or normally undertakes to make in the usual course of business, in connection with the distribution or sale of the products;
- f. Demonstration, installation, servicing or repair operations, except such operations performed at the vendor's premises in connection with the sale of the product;

- g. Products which, after distribution or sale by you, have been labeled or relabeled or used as a container, part or ingredient of any other thing or substance by or for the vendor; or
- h. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the sole negligence of the vendor for its own acts or omissions or those of its employees or anyone else acting on its behalf. However, this exclusion does not apply to:
  - (1) The exceptions contained in Subparagraphs d. or f.; or

- (2) Such inspections, adjustments, tests or Servicing as the vendor has agreed to make or normally undertakes to make in the usual course of business, in connection with the distribution or sale of the products.
- This insurance does not apply to any insured person or organization, from whom you have acquired such products, or any ingredient, part or container, entering into, accompanying or containing such products.

## THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

# CG 21 04 11 85 EXCLUSION - PRODUCTS - COMPLETED OPERATIONS HAZARD

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

## COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" included within the "products - completed operations hazard".

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# **EXCLUSION - PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART.

COVERAGE B (Section I) does not apply and none of the references to it in the Coverage Part apply.

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#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## TOTAL POLLUTION EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

#### **COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART**

Exclusion f. under Paragraph 2., Exclusions of Seclition I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability is replaced by the following:

This insurance does not apply to:

#### f. Pollution

(1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" which would not have occurred in whole or part but for the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" at any time.

- (2) Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
  - (a) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of "pollutants"; or
  - (b) Claim or suit by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

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## THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

# **FUNGI OR BACTERIA EXCLUSION**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2. Exclusions of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Fungi Or Bacteria

- a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" which would not have occurred, in whole or in part, but for the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, any "fungi" or bacteria on or within a building or structure, including its contents, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to such injury or damage.
- b. Any loss, cost or expenses arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "fungi" or bacteria, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion does not apply to any "fungi" or bacteria that are, are on, or are contained in, a good or product intended for bodily consumption.

B. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2. Exclusions of Section I – Coverage B – Personal And Advertising Injury Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Fungi Or Bacteria

- a. "Personal and advertising injury" which would not have taken place, in whole or in part, but for the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of any "fungi" or bacteria on or within a building or structure, including its contents, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to such injury.
- b. Any loss, cost or expense arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "fungi" or bacteria, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- C. The following definition is added to the **Definitions** Section:

"Fungi" means any type or form of fungus, including mold or mildew and any mycotoxins, spores, scents or byproducts produced or released by fungi.

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### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## SILICA OR SILICA-RELATED DUST EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2., Exclusions of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Silica Or Silica-Related Dust

- a. "Bodily injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, or ingestion of, "silica" or "silica-related dust".
- b. "Property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, "silica" or "silicarelated dust".
- c. Any loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, "silica" or "silica-related dust", by any insured or by any other person or entity.

B. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2.,
 Exclusions of Section I – Coverage B – Personal And Advertising Injury Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Silica Or Silica-Related Dust

- a. "Personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, "silica" or "silicarelated dust".
- b. Any loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, "silica" or "silica-related dust", by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- C. The following definitions are added to the **Definitions** Section:
  - "Silica" means silicon dioxide (occurring in crystalline, amorphous and impure forms), silica particles, silica dust or silica compounds.
  - 2. "Silica-related dust" means a mixture or combination of silica and other dust or particles.

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### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

### AMENDMENT OF INSURED CONTRACT DEFINITION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

Paragraph 9. of the **Definitions** Section is replaced by the following:

- 9. "Insured contract" means:
  - a. A contract for a lease of premises. However, that portion of the contract for a lease of premises that indemnifies any person or organization for damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner is not an "insured contract":
  - b. A sidetrack agreement;
  - c. Any easement or license agreement, except in connection with construction or demolition operations on or within 50 feet of a railroad;
  - d. An obligation, as required by ordinance, to indemnify a municipality, except in connection with work for a municipality;
  - e. An elevator maintenance agreement;
  - f. That part of any other contract or agreement pertaining to your business (including an indemnification of a municipality in connection with work performed for a municipality) under which you assume the tort liability of another party to pay for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to a third person or organization, provided the "bodily injury" or "property damage" is caused, in whole or in part, by you or by those acting on your behalf. Tort liability means a liability that would be imposed by law in the absence of any contract or agreement.

Paragraph **f.** does not include that part of any contract or agreement:

- (1) That indemnifies a railroad for "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of construction or demolition operations, within 50 feet of any railroad property and affecting any railroad bridge or trestle, tracks, road-beds, tunnel, underpass or crossing;
- (2) That indemnifies an architect, engineer or surveyor for injury or damage arising out of:
  - (a) Preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
  - (b) Giving directions or instructions, or failing to give them, if that is the primary cause of the injury or damage; or
- (3) Under which the insured, if an architect, engineer or surveyor, assumes liability for an injury or damage arising out of the insured's rendering or failure to render professional services, including those listed in (2) above and supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

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### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

# NUCLEAR ENERGY LIABILITY EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT

(Broad Form)

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE PART
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
FARM COVERAGE PART
LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
OWNERS AND CONTRACTORS PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
POLLUTION LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
RAILROAD PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK POLICY

- 1. The insurance does not apply:
  - A. Under any Liability Coverage, to "bodily injury" or "property damage":
    - (1) With respect to which an "insured" under the policy is also an insured under a nuclear energy liability policy issued by Nuclear Energy Liability Insurance Association, Mutual Atomic Energy Liability Underwriters, Nuclear Insurance Association of Canada or any of their successors, or would be an insured under any such policy but for its termination upon exhaustion of its limit of liability; or
    - (2) Resulting from the "hazardous properties" of "nuclear material" and with respect to which (a) any person or organization is required to maintain financial protection pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, or any law amendatory thereof, or (b) the "insured" is, or had this policy not been issued would be, entitled to indemnity from the United States of America, or any agency thereof, under any agreement entered into by the United States of America, or any agency thereof, with any person or organization.
  - B. Under any Medical Payments coverage, to expenses incurred with respect to "bodily injury" resulting from the "hazardous properties" of "nuclear material" and arising out of the operation of a "nuclear facility" by any person or organization.

- C. Under any Liability Coverage, to "bodily injury" or "property damage" resulting from "hazardous properties" of "nuclear material", if:
  - (1) The "nuclear material" (a) is at any "nuclear facility" owned by, or operated by or on behalf of, an "insured" or (b) has been discharged or dispersed therefrom;
  - (2) The "nuclear material" is contained in "spent fuel" or "waste" at any time possessed, handled, used, processed, stored, transported or disposed of, by or on behalf of an "insured"; or
  - (3) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the furnishing by an "insured" of services, materials, parts or equipment in connection with the planning, construction, maintenance, operation or use of any "nuclear facility", but if such facility is located within the United States of America, its territories or possessions or Canada, this exclusion (3) applies only to "property damage" to such "nuclear facility" and any property thereat.
- 2. As used in this endorsement:

"Hazardous properties" includes radioactive, toxic or explosive properties.

"Nuclear material" means "source material", "special nuclear material" or "by-product material".

"Source material", "special nuclear material", and "by-product material" have the meanings given them in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 or in any law amendatory thereof.

"Spent fuel" means any fuel element or fuel component, solid or liquid, which has been used or exposed to radiation in a "nuclear reactor".

"Waste" means any waste material (a) containing "by-product material" other than the tailings or wastes produced by the extraction or concentration of uranium or thorium from any ore processed primarily for its "source material" content, and (b) resulting from the operation by any person or organization of any "nuclear facility" included under the first two paragraphs of the definition of "nuclear facility".

"Nuclear facility" means:

- (a) Any "nuclear reactor";
- (b) Any equipment or device designed or used for (1) separating the isotopes of uranium or plutonium, (2) processing or utilizing "spent fuel", or (3) handling, processing or packaging "waste";

- (c) Any equipment or device used for the processing, fabricating or alloying of "special nuclear material" if at any time the total amount of such material in the custody of the "insured" at the premises where such equipment or device is located consists of or contains more than 25 grams of plutonium or uranium 233 or any combination thereof, or more than 250 grams of uranium 235;
- (d) Any structure, basin, excavation, premises or place prepared or used for the storage or disposal of "waste";

and includes the site on which any of the foregoing is located, all operations conducted on such site and all premises used for such operations.

"Nuclear reactor" means any apparatus designed or used to sustain nuclear fission in a self-supporting chain reaction or to contain a critical mass of fissionable material.

"Property damage" includes all forms of radioactive contamination of property.

### MINIMUM PREMIUM

The following additional policy Conditions supersede any other policy conditions regarding a minimum premium for this policy:

### **Policy Premium**

Policy premium means the premium that is calculated as follows:

- 1. The total policy premium as shown in the Policy Declarations, plus
- 2. Any premium adjustment by endorsements, plus
- 3. Any additional premium developed by audit.

#### **Audits**

Audits will not reduce the policy premium. The due date for audit premium is the date shown as the due date on the bill.

#### Cancellation and Minimum Earned Premium

- 1. If you cancel this policy, the return premium will be 90% of the unearned premium. However, as a minimum earned premium, we will retain no less than 25 % of the policy premium.
- 2. If we cancel the policy:
  - a. for non-payment of premium, for any of the reasons stated in the U173-Cancellation Endorsement that provide a 10 day notice or for the reasons stated in an amendatory state specific cancellation endorsement (up to and including a 30 day notice), the earned premium will be computed pro rata based on the length of the cancelled policy term; however, as a minimum earned premium, we will retain no less than 25 % of the policy premium; or
  - b. for any reason other than those identified in subparagraph 2.a. above, the earned premium will be computed pro rata based on the length of the cancelled policy term and the minimum earned premium as stated in 2.a. shall not apply.

Any unearned premium will be returned as soon as practicable.

- 3. However, if the policy is a project specific policy where specified locations are designated for coverage and the policy period is in excess of one year, regardless of who initiates cancellation of the policy, the policy premium will be deemed fully earned after 75% of the policy period has passed. For a project specific policy, the policy premium will be deemed fully earned with no return premium to be provided upon cancellation once the project has reached a level of substantial completion following construction or renovation. Substantial completion means the earliest of the following:
  - The date of use or occupancy of one or more of the locations of the specified project occurs;
  - b. A temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy has been issued;
  - c. The date of the final inspection of the construction project by the applicable public agency occurs; or
  - d. The final cost of construction is at least 90% of the estimated construction cost upon which this policy premium was based.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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## AIRCRAFT PRODUCTS AND GROUNDING EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and SECTION I – PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

### Aircraft or Grounding

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly out of:

- 1. any "aircraft product" or the "grounding" of any aircraft; or
- 2. "your work" on aircraft (including missile or spacecraft, and any ground support or control equipment).
- B. SECTION V DEFINITIONS is amended and the following added:

### "Aircraft product" means:

- a. Aircraft (including missile or spacecraft, and any ground support or control equipment used therewith);
- b. Any article furnished by you or on your behalf and installed in an aircraft or used in connection with an aircraft or for spare parts for an aircraft including ground handling tools and equipment;
- c. Any of "your products" used at an airport for the purpose of guidance, navigation or direction of aircraft:
- d. training aids, instructions, manuals, blueprints, engineering or other data or advice and services and labor relating to such aircraft, articles or products that you or any other person or organization on your behalf:
  - (1) sold, handled or distributed; or
  - (2) manufactured, assembled or processed:
    - (a) according to specifications, plans, suggestions, orders, or drawings provided by you or on your behalf; or
    - (b) with tools, machinery or equipment furnished to such persons or drawings provided by you or on your behalf.

### "Grounding" means:

- a. the withdrawal of one or more aircraft from flight operations; or
- b. the imposition of speed, passenger or load restrictions on such aircraft

by reason of the existence of or alleged or suspected existence of any defect, fault or condition in such aircraft or any part thereof whether such aircraft so withdrawn are owned or operated by the same or different persons, organizations or corporations.

# EMPLOYMENT RELATED PRACTICES EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

Employment®Related Practices

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" to:

- (1) a person arising directly or indirectly out of any:
  - (a) refusal to employ that person;
  - (b) termination of that person's employment; or
  - (c) employment-related practices, policies, acts or omissions, such as coercion, demotion, evaluation, reassignment, discipline, defamation, harassment, humiliation, assault, battery, discrimination, malicious prosecution or abuse including sexual abuse directed at any person; or
- (2) the spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that person as a consequence of "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" to that person at whom any of the employment-related practices described in Paragraphs (a), (b), or (c) above is directed.

This exclusion applies:

- (1) whether the injury-causing event described in paragraphs (1) (a), (b), or (c) above occurs before employment, during employment or after employment of that person;
- (2) whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity; and
- (3) to any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury.

### **CANCELLATION**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

**OUTPUT POLICY COVERAGE PART** 

COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL INLAND MARINE COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL LIABILITY UMBRELLA COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY COVERAGE PART

CRIME AND FIDELITY COVERAGE PART

EMPLOYMENT-RELATED PRACTICES LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**EXCESS LIABILITY POLICY** 

FARM COVERAGE PART

FARM UMBRELLA LIABILITY POLICY

LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

# Paragraph A. 2. Cancellation of the COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS is deleted and replaced by the following:

- 2. We may cancel this policy by mailing or delivering to the first Named Insured written notice of cancellation at least:
  - a. 10 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for one or more of the following reasons:
    - (1) nonpayment of premium or failure to pay a premium when due:
    - (2) conviction of an insured of a crime arising out of acts increasing the hazard insured against;
    - (3) violation of any local fire, health, safety, building or construction regulation or ordinance which increases the hazard insured against under the policy;
    - (4) any willful or reckless act or omission by an insured increasing the hazard insured against;
    - (5) omission or concealment of fact relating to an insurance application, rating, claim or coverage under this policy;
    - (6) failure or refusal of an insured to:
      - (a) provide information necessary to confirm exposure or determine the policy premium; or
      - (b) comply with underwriting requirements:
    - (7) a substantial change in the risk covered by the policy;
    - (8) loss of reinsurance or substantial decrease in reinsurance;
    - (9) the cancellation is for all insureds under such policies for a given class of insureds; or
    - (10) any reason determined by the insurance commissioner.
  - 30 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for any other reason.

## **INSPECTION**

This endorsement modifies the policy as follows:

\$200.00 is added to this policy for an inspection and is not refundable.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following is added:

### **Professional Services**

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of the rendering or failure to render any "professional service" except by endorsement to this policy and then only to the extent of such endorsement.

### "Professional service" means:

- (1) Legal, accounting or advertising services;
- (2) Preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve maps, drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, change orders, designs or specifications;
- (3) Engineering services, including related supervisory or inspection services;
- (4) Medical, surgical, dental, x-ray or nursing services, treatment, advice or instruction;
- (5) Any health or therapeutic service, treatment, advice or instruction;
- (6) Any service, treatment, advice or instruction for the purpose of appearance or skin enhancement, hair removal or replacement, or personal grooming;
- (7) Optometry or optical or hearing aid services including the prescribing, preparation, fitting, demonstration or distribution of ophthalmic lenses and similar products or hearing aid devices:
- (8) Body piercing or tattooing services including but not limited to the insertion of pigment, collagen or any other foreign substance into or under the skin;
- (9) Services in the practice of pharmacy;
- (10) Law enforcement or firefighting services; and
- (11) Handling, embalming, disposal, burial, cremation or disinterment of dead bodies.

# EXCLUSION – USL&H, JONES ACT OR OTHER MARITIME LAWS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

**COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART** 

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following is added:

USL&H, Jones Act or Other Maritime Laws Exclusion

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of:

- (1) operations over navigable waters or offshore including but not limited to drilling and production platforms, pipelines, and vessels where coverage is provided by the U.S. Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation Act (USL&H), Merchant Marine Act ("Jones Act") or other maritime laws and any amendments to those laws;
- (2) actions including but not limited to subrogation involving U.S. Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation Act (USL&H), Merchant Marine Act ("Jones Act") or other maritime laws and any amendments to those laws; or
- (3) any obligation of the insured resulting from actions under the U.S. Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation Act (USL&H), Merchant Marine Act ("Jones Act") or other maritime laws and any amendments to those laws.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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### CROSS SUITS EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions in the Commercial General Liability Coverage Part; and SECTION I – COVERAGES, PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions in the Products/Completed Operations Liability Coverage Part are amended and the following added:

### CROSS SUITS EXCLUSION

This insurance does not apply to any claim or "suit" for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" brought by any Named Insured against any other Named Insured.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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### BREACH OF CONTRACT EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

**COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART** 

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions, f. Breach Of Contract is deleted and replaced by the following:

This insurance does not apply to damages directly or indirectly arising out of:

f. Breach Of Contract

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a breach of contract, including an implied contract to use another's advertising idea in your "advertisement".

### **EXCLUSION – LEAD**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

This insurance does not apply to:

#### L ead

- (1) "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, lead in any form.
- (2) "property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, lead in any form.
- (3) any damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, lead in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- (4) any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, lead in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion shall apply without regard to the source or sources of lead, or the basis of the insured's liability. This exclusion includes defects or negligence in design, construction or materials, or any other event, conduct or misconduct, which may have or is claimed to have precipitated, caused or acted jointly, concurrently or in any sequence with lead in any form in causing injury or damage.

### **EXCLUSION - ASBESTOS**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I — COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

This insurance does not apply to:

### **As bestos**

- (1) "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, asbestos in any form.
- (2) "property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, asbestos in any form.
- (3) any damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, asbestos in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- (4) any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, asbestos in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion shall apply without regard to the source or sources of asbestos, or the basis of the insured's liability. This exclusion includes defects or negligence in design, construction or materials, or any other event, conduct or misconduct, which may have or is claimed to have precipitated, caused or acted jointly, concurrently or in any sequence with asbestos in any form in causing injury or damage.

### **EXCLUSION – LATEX**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

The policy is hereby amended to include the following additional exclusion:

### LATEX EXCLUSION

This insurance does not apply to liability, arising directly or indirectly out of:

- a. The actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of latex or products or materials containing latex, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to any injury or damage;
- b. Any loss, cost or expenses arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of latex by any insured or by any other person or entity;
- c. Any supervision, instructions, recommendations, warnings, or advice given or which should have been given in connection with a. and b. above;
- d. Any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of latex or products or materials containing latex;
- e. Any injury or damage arising out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially, or allegedly containing latex; or
- f. Any injury or damage arising out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, "your product" or "your work", arising out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially, or allegedly containing latex.

### **EXCLUSION – UREA FORMALDEHYDE**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

The policy is hereby amended to include the following additional exclusion:

### **Urea Formaldehyde Exclusion**

This insurance does not apply to, and we shall have no duty to defend any claims for, "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of:

- (1) the design, manufacture, construction, fabrication, preparation, distribution, sale, installation, application, maintenance, repair, remodeling, servicing, correction or replacement of any urea formaldehyde;
- (2) the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, handling of, exposure to, existence of, or presence of urea formaldehyde or products or materials containing urea formaldehyde, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to any injury or damage;
- (3) any loss, cost or expenses arising directly or indirectly out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of urea formaldehyde by any insured or by any other person or entity;
- (4) any supervision, instructions, recommendations, warnings, or advice given or which should have been given in connection with (2) and (3) above;
- (5) any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of urea formaldehyde or products or materials containing urea formaldehyde;
- (6) the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially, or allegedly containing urea formaldehyde; or
- (7) the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, "your product" or "your work", arising directly or indirectly out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially or allegedly containing urea formaldehyde.

This exclusion does not apply to claims resulting from products manufactured by the Named Insured after April 1, 2009, meeting or exceeding the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association's adopted standards regarding urea formaldehyde, in effect at the time of manufacture of the product giving rise to the claim.

The Named Insured represents and warrants that it will meet or exceed the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association's newest adopted standards regarding urea formaldehyde in all products that it manufactures containing urea formaldehyde. This exclusion will apply in its entirety and in every aspect for claims determined, in our sole discretion, to have resulted from failure of the Named Insured to comply with this representation and warranty.

### **EXCLUSION - BENZENE**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Benzene

- (1) "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, benzene in any form.
- (2) "property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, benzene in any form.
- (3) any damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, benzene in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- (4) any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, benzene in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion shall apply without regard to the source or sources of benzene, or the basis of the insured's liability. This exclusion includes defects or negligence in design, construction or materials, or any other event, conduct or misconduct, which may have or is claimed to have precipitated, caused or acted jointly, concurrently or in any sequence with benzene in any form in causing injury or damage.

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# **EXHIBIT E**

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### U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL ("OFAC") ADVISORY NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS

No coverage is provided by this Policyholder Notice nor can it be construed to replace any provisions of your policy. You should read your policy and review your Declarations page for complete information on the coverages you are provided.

This Notice provides information concerning possible impact on your insurance coverage due to directives issued by OFAC. Please read this Notice carefully.

The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) administers and enforces sanctions policy, based on Presidential declarations of "national emergency". OFAC has identified and listed numerous:

- · Foreign agents;
- Front organizations;
- Terrorists:
- Terrorist organizations; and
- Narcotics traffickers:

as "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons". This list can be located on the United States Treasury's web site – http://www.treas.gov/ofac.

In accordance with OFAC regulations, if it is determined that you or any other insured, or any person or entity claiming the benefits of this insurance has violated U.S. sanctions law or is a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person, as identified by OFAC, this insurance will be considered a blocked or frozen contract and all provisions of this insurance are immediately subject to OFAC. When an insurance policy is considered to be such a blocked or frozen contract, no payments nor premium refunds may be made without authorization from OFAC. Other limitations on the premiums and payments also apply.





### **Privacy Policy**

Argo Group US, Inc. ("Argo Group") recognizes the importance of maintaining the privacy of our customers and the confidentiality of each individual's nonpublic personal information, including Social Security numbers. We take seriously the responsibility that accompanies our collection of nonpublic personal information, including Social Security numbers. Accordingly, Argo's corporate policy is to protect the privacy and confidentiality of our consumers and their nonpublic personal information as required by law.

### Information Collection and Use

In order to conveniently and effectively provide and service the insurance products we sell, we may collect and use Social Security numbers and other nonpublic personal information. As such, this policy does not prohibit the collection or use of Social Security numbers and nonpublic personal information where legally authorized and/or required. This policy complies with the requirements of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA) and applicable federal and state laws and regulations implementing the act. Such laws impose certain obligations upon third persons and organizations with which we share nonpublic personal information of our consumers, customers, former customers, or claimants. Accordingly, we prohibit the unauthorized disclosure of Social Security numbers and other protected nonpublic personal information, except as legally required or authorized.

### **Information Sharing and Disclosure**

Argo Group does not rent, sell or share your personally identifiable information with nonaffiliated third parties. Argo Group may, however, share personally identifiable information with third-party contractors. These third-party contractors are prohibited from using the information for purposes other than performing services for Argo Group. Argo Group may disclose your information to third parties when obligated to do so by law and to investigate, prevent, or take action regarding suspected or actual prohibited activities, including but not limited to fraud and situations involving the security of our operations and employees.

Finally, Argo Group may transfer information, including any personally identifiable information, to a successor entity in connection with a corporate merger, consolidation, sale of all or a portion of its assets, bankruptcy, or other corporate change.

### Security

In order to protect your nonpublic personal information, we limit access to nonpublic personal information by only allowing authorized personnel to have access to such information. Furthermore, we maintain physical, electronic and procedural security protections to safeguard the nonpublic personal information in our records. Documents that contain an individual's protected information are destroyed before disposal; this destruction process includes the shredding of print and disposable media and deletion of electronic media. Argo Group has security measures in place to protect the loss, misuse and alteration of the information under our control. Our hardware infrastructure is housed in a controlled access facility that restricts access to authorized individuals. The network infrastructure is protected by a firewall and traffic is monitored and logged both on the firewall and servers. Sensitive administrative activities are carried out over secure, encrypted links between our offices and hosting facility. Administrative

access is limited not only to authorized employees but also to specific remote administration protocols and IP addresses. All employees with access to personally identifiable information have been advised of Argo Group's security policies and practices. Argo Group will continue to conduct internal audits of its security systems and make all necessary enhancements to ensure the safety of the website and its users. No method of transmission over the Internet or method of electronic storage is 100% secure; therefore, while Argo Group uses commercially acceptable means to protect your information, we cannot guarantee absolute security.

Any Argo Group employee who becomes aware of the inappropriate use or disclosure of Social Security numbers and other protected nonpublic personal information is expected to immediately report such behavior to the General Counsel for further action.

### **Corrected/Updated Information**

This policy applies to certain insureds of Argo Group, including but not limited to worker's compensation claimants. If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy, please contact:

General Counsel Argo Group US, Inc. P.O. Box 469011 San Antonio, Texas 78246 (210) 321-8400

\*Note: Argo Group is the parent of Argonaut Insurance Company; Argonaut-Southwest Insurance Company; Argonaut-Midwest Insurance Company; Argonaut Great Central Insurance Company; Argonaut Limited Risk Insurance Company; ARIS Title Insurance Corporation; Select Markets Insurance Company; Colony Insurance Company; Colony Specialty Insurance Company; Peleus Insurance Company (fka Colony National Insurance Company); Rockwood Casualty Insurance Company; Somerset Casualty Insurance Company; Grocers Insurance Agency, Inc.; Central Insurance Management, Inc.; Alteris Insurance Services, Inc.; Trident Insurance Services, LLC; Commercial Deposit Insurance Agency, Inc.; Sonoma Risk Management, LLC; John Sutak Insurance Brokers, Inc.; Colony Management Services, Inc.; Argonaut Management Services, Inc.; and Argonaut Claims Management, LLC. This Privacy Policy applies to all companies and business produced or underwritten within Argo Group.

### **SERVICE OF SUIT**

If service of process is to be made upon the Company by way of hand delivery or courier service, delivery should be made to the Company's principal place of business:

### Claims Manager

Colony Insurance Company, Colony Specialty Insurance Company, or Peleus Insurance Company 8720 Stony Point Parkway, Suite 400 Richmond, Virginia 23235

If service of process is to be made upon the Company by way of the U.S. Postal Service, the following mailing address should be used:

### **General Counsel**

Colony Insurance Company, Colony Specialty Insurance Company, or Peleus Insurance Company P.O. Box 469011 San Antonio, Texas 78246

Where required by statute, regulation, or other regulatory directive, the Company appoints the Commissioner of Insurance, or other designee specified for that purpose, as its attorney for acceptance of service of all legal process in the state in any action or proceeding arising out of this insurance.

The Commissioner or other designee is requested to forward process to the Company as shown above, or if required in his/her particular state, to a designated resident agent for service of process.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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### SIGNATURE PAGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the company issuing this policy has caused this policy to be signed by its President and its Secretary and countersigned (if required) on the Declarations page by a duly authorized representative of the company. This endorsement is executed by the company stated in the Declarations.

Colony Insurance Company

President

Olithan Davis

Secretary

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Colony Insurance Company 8720 STONY POINT PARKWAY, SUITE 400 RICHMOND, VA 23235 POLICY NUMBER: 103 GL 0010808-01

RENEWAL OF:

103 GL 0010808-00

Issued 08/24/2016

1. NAMED INSURED AND MAILING ADDRESS:

Evangers Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc.

221 Wheeling Road Wheeling, IL 60090 **PRODUCER: 0010164** 

Burns & Wilcox, Ltd. (Chicago)

155 N Wacker Chicago, IL 60606

2. POLICY PERIOD: From 08/15/2016 to 08/15/2017 12:01 A.M. Standard Time at your Mailing Address above.

IN RETURN FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM, AND SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE TERMS OF THIS POLICY, WE AGREE WITH YOU TO PROVIDE THE INSURANCE AS STATED IN THIS POLICY.

3. THIS POLICY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING COVERAGE PARTS FOR WHICH A PREMIUM IS INDICATED. THIS PREMIUM MAY BE SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT.

COVERAGE PARTS			PREMIUM	
	Commercial General Liability Coverage Form Premium charge for coverage of (Per Terrorism Policyhor	\$5,500.00		
	Coverage for certified acts of terrorism has been re (Per Terrorism Policyh	ejected; exclusion attached. older Disclosure attached.)		
redemination	Premium shown is payable at inception	Total Policy Premium	: \$5,500.00	
4.	FORMS APPLICABLE TO ALL COVERAGES: See Form U001 – Schedule of Forms and Endorsements	Inspection Fee:	•	
5.	BUSINESS DESCRIPTION: Pet Food Manufacturing			
Col	untersigned:	Ву:		
	Date	Authorized	representative	

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Policy Number: 103 GL 0010808-01

### SCHEDULE OF FORMS AND ENDORSEMENTS

Forms and Endorsements applying to and made part of this policy at the time of issuance:

NUMBER TITLE

ILP001-0104 U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS

CONTROL ("OFAC") ADVISORY NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS

PRIVACYNOTICE-0415 PRIVACY NOTICE U094-0415 SERVICE OF SUIT SIGCIC-1013 SIGNATURE PAGE

DCJ6550-0702 COMMON POLICY DECLARATIONS

U001-1004 SCHEDULE OF FORMS & ENDORSEMENTS

DCJ6553-0702 COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**DECLARATIONS** 

CG0001-0413 COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM

IL0017-1198 COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS

ILU162-0908 ILLINOIS CHANGES - DEFENSE COSTS

UCG2175-0115 CERTIFIED ACTS OF TERRORISM AND OTHER ACTS OF TERRORISM

**EXCLUSION** 

CG2015-0413 ADDITIONAL INSURED - VENDORS

CG2104-1185 EXCLUSION - PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS HAZARD
CG2107-0514 EXCLUSION - ACCESS OR DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL OR

PERSONAL INFORMATION AND DATA-RELATED LIABILITY - LIMITED

**BODILY INJURY EXCEPTION NOT INCLUDED** 

CG2109-0615 EXCLUSION - UNMANNED AIRCRAFT

CG2138-1185 EXCLUSION - PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY CG2149-0999 TOTAL POLLUTION EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT

CG2167-1204 FUNGI OR BACTERIA EXCLUSION

CG2196-0305 SILICA OR SILICA-RELATED DUST EXCLUSION
CG2426-0413 AMENDMENT OF INSURED CONTRACT DEFINITION

IL0021-0908 NUCLEAR ENERGY LIABILITY EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT (BROAD

FORM)

U002A-0212 MINIMÚM POLICY PREMIÚM

U009-0310 AIRCRAFT PRODUCTS AND GROUNDING EXCLUSION U048-0310 EMPLOYMENT RELATED PRACTICES EXCLUSION

U173AS-0708 CANCELLATION

U265-0116 EXCLUSION - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

U266-0510 EXCLUSION - USL&H, JONES ACT OR OTHER MARITIME LAWS

U267A-0813 CROSS SUITS EXCLUSION

U276-0310 EXCLUSION - BREACH OF CONTRACT

 U466-0212
 EXCLUSION - LEAD

 U467-0212
 EXCLUSION - ASBESTOS

 U582-0708
 EXCLUSION - LATEX

U640-0410 EXCLUSION - UREA FORMALDEHYDE

U730-0212 EXCLUSION - BENZENE

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### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART DECLARATIONS

This coverage part consists of this Declarations form, the Common Policy Conditions, the Commercial General Liability Coverage Form and the endorsements indicated as applicable.

POLICY NO.

103 GL 0010808-01

NAMED INSURED: Evangers Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc.

LIMITS O	F	INSU	RA	NCE	
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General Aggregate Limit (Other Than Products – Completed Operations)	\$2,000,000	
Products Completed Operations Aggregate Limit	Excluded	
Personal & Advertising Injury Limit	Excluded	
Each Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000	
Damage To Premises Rented To You Limit	\$100,000	Any One Premises
Medical Expense Limit		Any One Person

RETROACTIVE DATE (CG 00 02 only) - Coverage A of this insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" which occurs before Retroactive Date, if any, shown below.

Retroactive Date:

(Enter Date or "None" if no Retroactive Date Applies)

Location of All Premises You Own, Rent or Occupy (Same as Item 1 unless shown below):

211 Wheeling Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

				ADVANCE PREMIUM	
CLASSIFICATION	CODE NO.	PREMIUM BASIS	RATE	PR/CO	ALL OTHER
Pet Food Mfg.	57913	Gross Sales \$10,000,000	\$0.54	Excluded	\$5,500.00 -
					MP

FORMS / ENDORSEMENTS APPLICABLE:

SEE FORM U001 - SCHEDULE OF FORMS AND ENDORSEMENTS

**TOTAL PREMIUM FOR THIS COVERAGE PART** 

\$5,500.00

FORM OF BUSINESS: Corporation

Audit Period: Annual unless otherwise stated:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CG 00 01 04 13

### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM

Various provisions in this policy restrict coverage. Read the entire policy carefully to determine rights, duties and what is and is not covered.

Throughout this policy the words "you" and "your" refer to the Named Insured shown in the Declarations, and any other person or organization qualifying as a Named Insured under this policy. The words "we", "us" and "our" refer to the company providing this insurance.

The word "insured" means any person or organization qualifying as such under Section II – Who Is An Insured.

Other words and phrases that appear in quotation marks have special meaning. Refer to Section V – Definitions.

#### SECTION I - COVERAGES

# COVERAGE A - BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY

### 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any "occurrence" and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:
  - (1) The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III Limits Of Insurance; and
  - (2) Our right and duty to defend ends when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages A or B or medical expenses under Coverage C.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages A and B.

- b. This insurance applies to "bodily injury" and "property damage" only if:
  - The "bodily injury" or "property damage" is caused by an "occurrence" that takes place in the "coverage territory";

- (2) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs during the policy period; and
- (3) Prior to the policy period, no insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II Who Is An Insured and no "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim, knew that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" had occurred, in whole or in part. If such a listed insured or authorized "employee" knew, prior to the policy period, that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurred, then any continuation, change or resumption of such "bodily injury" or "property damage" during or after the policy period will be deemed to have been known prior to the policy period.
- c. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" which occurs during the policy period and was not, prior to the policy period, known to have occurred by any insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II Who Is An Insured or any "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim, includes any continuation, change or resumption of that "bodily injury" or "property damage" after the end of the policy period.
- d. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" will be deemed to have been known to have occurred at the earliest time when any insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II – Who Is An Insured or any "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim:
  - Reports all, or any part, of the "bodily injury" or "property damage" to us or any other insurer;
  - (2) Receives a written or verbal demand or claim for damages because of the "bodily injury" or "property damage"; or
  - (3) Becomes aware by any other means that "bodily injury" or "property damage" has occurred or has begun to occur.
- e. Damages because of "bodily injury" include damages claimed by any person or organization for care, loss of services or death resulting at any time from the "bodily injury".

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

### a. Expected Or Intended Injury

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" expected or intended from the standpoint of the insured. This exclusion does not apply to "bodily injury" resulting from the use of reasonable force to protect persons or property.

### b. Contractual Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the insured is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages:

- (1) That the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement; or
- (2) Assumed in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract", provided the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs subsequent to the execution of the contract or agreement. Solely for the purposes of liability assumed in an "insured contract", reasonable attorneys' fees and necessary litigation expenses incurred by or for a party other than an insured are deemed to be damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage", provided:
  - (a) Liability to such party for, or for the cost of, that party's defense has also been assumed in the same "insured contract"; and
  - (b) Such attorneys' fees and litigation expenses are for defense of that party against a civil or alternative dispute resolution proceeding in which damages to which this insurance applies are alleged.

### c. Liquor Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which any insured may be held liable by reason of:

- (1) Causing or contributing to the intoxication of any person;
- (2) The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to a person under the legal drinking age or under the influence of alcohol; or
- (3) Any statute, ordinance or regulation relating to the sale, gift, distribution or use of alcoholic beverages.

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in:

- (a) The supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured; or
- (b) Providing or failing to provide transportation with respect to any person that may be under the influence of alcohol:

if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage", involved that which is described in Paragraph (1), (2) or (3) above.

However, this exclusion applies only if you are in the business of manufacturing, distributing, selling, serving or furnishing alcoholic beverages. For the purposes of this exclusion, permitting a person to bring alcoholic beverages on your premises, for consumption on your premises, whether or not a fee is charged or a license is required for such activity, is not by itself considered the business of selling, serving or furnishing alcoholic beverages.

### d. Workers' Compensation And Similar Laws

Any obligation of the insured under a workers' compensation, disability benefits or unemployment compensation law or any similar law.

### e. Employer's Liability

"Bodily injury" to:

- (1) An "employee" of the insured arising out of and in the course of:
  - (a) Employment by the insured; or
  - (b) Performing duties related to the conduct of the insured's business; or
- (2) The spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that "employee" as a consequence of Paragraph (1) above.

This exclusion applies whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity and to any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury.

This exclusion does not apply to liability assumed by the insured under an "insured contract".

### f. Pollution

- (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants":
  - (a) At or from any premises, site or location which is or was at any time owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured. However, this subparagraph does not apply to:
    - (i) "Bodily injury" if sustained within a building and caused by smoke, fumes, vapor or soot produced by or originating from equipment that is used to heat, cool or dehumidify the building, or equipment that is used to heat water for personal use, by the building's occupants or their quests;
    - (ii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which you may be held liable, if you are a contractor and the owner or lessee of such premises, site or location has been added to your policy as an additional insured with respect to your ongoing operations performed for that additional insured at that premises, site or location and such premises, site or location is not and never was owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured, other than that additional insured; or
    - (iii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke or fumes from a "hostile fire";
  - (b) At or from any premises, site or location which is or was at any time used by or for any insured or others for the handling, storage, disposal, processing or treatment of waste;
  - (c) Which are or were at any time transported, handled, stored, treated, disposed of, or processed as waste by or for:
    - (i) Any insured; or
    - (ii) Any person or organization for whom you may be legally responsible; or

- (d) At or from any premises, site or location on which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the "pollutants" are brought on or to the premises, site or location in connection with such operations by such insured, contractor or subcontractor. However, this subparagraph does not apply to:
  - (i) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the escape of fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids which are needed to perform the normal electrical, hydraulic or mechanical functions necessary for the operation of "mobile equipment" or its parts, if such fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids escape from a vehicle part designed to hold, store or receive them. This exception does not apply if the "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the intentional discharge, dispersal or release of the fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids, or if such fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids are brought on or to the premises, site or location with the intent that they be discharged, dispersed or released as part of the operations being performed by such insured, contractor or subcontractor;
  - (ii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" sustained within a building and caused by the release of gases, fumes or vapors from materials brought into that building in connection with operations being performed by you or on your behalf by a contractor or subcontractor; or
  - (iii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke or fumes from a "hostile fire".
- (e) At or from any premises, site or location on which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the operations are to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants".

- (2) Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
  - (a) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants"; or
  - (b) Claim or suit by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

However, this paragraph does not apply to liability for damages because of "property damage" that the insured would have in the absence of such request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement, or such claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority.

### g. Aircraft, Auto Or Watercraft

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft, "auto" or watercraft owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured. Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft, "auto" or watercraft that is owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured.

This exclusion does not apply to:

- A watercraft while ashore on premises you own or rent;
- (2) A watercraft you do not own that is:
  - (a) Less than 26 feet long; and
  - (b) Not being used to carry persons or property for a charge;
- (3) Parking an "auto" on, or on the ways next to, premises you own or rent, provided the "auto" is not owned by or rented or loaned to you or the insured;
- (4) Liability assumed under any "insured contract" for the ownership, maintenance or use of aircraft or watercraft; or

- (5) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (a) The operation of machinery or equipment that is attached to, or part of, a land vehicle that would qualify under the definition of "mobile equipment" if it were not subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged; or
  - (b) The operation of any of the machinery or equipment listed in Paragraph f.(2) or f.(3) of the definition of "mobile equipment".

### h. Mobile Equipment

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:

- The transportation of "mobile equipment" by an "auto" owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured; or
- (2) The use of "mobile equipment" in, or while in practice for, or while being prepared for, any prearranged racing, speed, demolition, or stunting activity.

#### i. War

"Bodily injury" or "property damage", however caused, arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) War, including undeclared or civil war;
- (2) Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
- (3) Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

### j. Damage To Property

"Property damage" to:

- Property you own, rent, or occupy, including any costs or expenses incurred by you, or any other person, organization or entity, for repair, replacement, enhancement, restoration or maintenance of such property for any reason, including prevention of injury to a person or damage to another's property;
- (2) Premises you sell, give away or abandon, if the "property damage" arises out of any part of those premises;
- (3) Property loaned to you;

- (4) Personal property in the care, custody or control of the insured;
- (5) That particular part of real property on which you or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on your behalf are performing operations, if the "property damage" arises out of those operations; or
- (6) That particular part of any property that must be restored, repaired or replaced because "your work" was incorrectly performed on it.

Paragraphs (1), (3) and (4) of this exclusion do not apply to "property damage" (other than damage by fire) to premises, including the contents of such premises, rented to you for a period of seven or fewer consecutive days. A separate limit of insurance applies to Damage To Premises Rented To You as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance.

Paragraph (2) of this exclusion does not apply if the premises are "your work" and were never occupied, rented or held for rental by you.

Paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (6) of this exclusion do not apply to liability assumed under a sidetrack agreement.

Paragraph (6) of this exclusion does not apply to "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

### k. Damage To Your Product

"Property damage" to "your product" arising out of it or any part of it.

#### I. Damage To Your Work

"Property damage" to "your work" arising out of it or any part of it and included in the "productscompleted operations hazard".

This exclusion does not apply if the damaged work or the work out of which the damage arises was performed on your behalf by a subcontractor.

### m. Damage To Impaired Property Or Property Not Physically Injured

"Property damage" to "impaired property" or property that has not been physically injured, arising out of:

- (1) A defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in "your product" or "your work"; or
- (2) A delay or failure by you or anyone acting on your behalf to perform a contract or agreement in accordance with its terms.

This exclusion does not apply to the loss of use of other property arising out of sudden and accidental physical injury to "your product" or "your work" after it has been put to its intended use.

### n. Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property

Damages claimed for any loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others for the loss of use, withdrawal, recall, inspection, repair, replacement, adjustment, removal or disposal of:

- (1) "Your product";
- (2) "Your work"; or
- (3) "Impaired property";

if such product, work, or property is withdrawn or recalled from the market or from use by any person or organization because of a known or suspected defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in it.

### o. Personal And Advertising Injury

"Bodily injury" arising out of "personal and advertising injury".

### p. Electronic Data

Damages arising out of the loss of, loss of use of, damage to, corruption of, inability to access, or inability to manipulate electronic data.

However, this exclusion does not apply to liability for damages because of "bodily injury".

As used in this exclusion, electronic data means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software, including systems and applications software, hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMs, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.

### q. Recording And Distribution Of Material Or Information In Violation Of Law

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

- The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (2) The CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, including any amendment of or addition to such law:
- (3) The Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and any amendment of or addition to such law, including the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act (FACTA); or

(4) Any federal, state or local statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA, CAN-SPAM Act of 2003 or FCRA and their amendments and additions, that addresses, prohibits, or limits the printing, dissemination, disposal, collecting, recording, sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

Exclusions c. through n. do not apply to damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner. A separate limit of insurance applies to this coverage as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance.

# COVERAGE B - PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY

### 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any offense and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:
  - (1) The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III Limits Of Insurance; and
  - (2) Our right and duty to defend end when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages A or B or medical expenses under Coverage C.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages A and B.

b. This insurance applies to "personal and advertising injury" caused by an offense arising out of your business but only if the offense was committed in the "coverage territory" during the policy period.

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

a. Knowing Violation Of Rights Of Another

"Personal and advertising injury" caused by or at the direction of the insured with the knowledge that the act would violate the rights of another and would inflict "personal and advertising injury".

 Material Published With Knowledge Of Falsity

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication, in any manner, of material, if done by or at the direction of the insured with knowledge of its falsity.

c. Material Published Prior To Policy Period

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication, in any manner, of material whose first publication took place before the beginning of the policy period.

d. Criminal Acts

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a criminal act committed by or at the direction of the insured.

e. Contractual Liability

"Personal and advertising injury" for which the insured has assumed liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.

f. Breach Of Contract

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a breach of contract, except an implied contract to use another's advertising idea in your "advertisement".

g. Quality Or Performance Of Goods — Failure To Conform To Statements

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the failure of goods, products or services to conform with any statement of quality or performance made in your "advertisement".

h. Wrong Description Of Prices

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the wrong description of the price of goods, products or services stated in your "advertisement".

### i. Infringement Of Copyright, Patent, Trademark Or Trade Secret

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the infringement of copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret or other intellectual property rights. Under this exclusion, such other intellectual property rights do not include the use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement".

However, this exclusion does not apply to infringement, in your "advertisement", of copyright, trade dress or slogan.

# j. Insureds In Media And Internet Type Businesses

"Personal and advertising injury" committed by an insured whose business is:

- Advertising, broadcasting, publishing or telecasting;
- (2) Designing or determining content of web sites for others; or
- (3) An Internet search, access, content or service provider.

However, this exclusion does not apply to Paragraphs 14.a., b. and c. of "personal and advertising injury" under the Definitions section.

For the purposes of this exclusion, the placing of frames, borders or links, or advertising, for you or others anywhere on the Internet, is not by itself, considered the business of advertising, broadcasting, publishing or telecasting.

#### k. Electronic Chatrooms Or Bulletin Boards

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of an electronic chatroom or bulletin board the insured hosts, owns, or over which the insured exercises control.

#### I. Unauthorized Use Of Another's Name Or Product

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the unauthorized use of another's name or product in your e-mail address, domain name or metatag, or any other similar tactics to mislead another's potential customers.

#### m. Pollution

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" at any time.

### n. Pollution-related

Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:

- Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants"; or
- (2) Claim or suit by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

#### o. War

"Personal and advertising injury", however caused, arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) War, including undeclared or civil war;
- (2) Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
- (3) Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

# p. Recording And Distribution Of Material Or Information In Violation Of Law

"Personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

- (1) The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (2) The CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (3) The Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and any amendment of or addition to such law, including the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act (FACTA); or
- (4) Any federal, state or local statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA, CAN-SPAM Act of 2003 or FCRA and their amendments and additions, that addresses, prohibits, or limits the printing, dissemination, disposal, collecting, recording, sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

### COVERAGE C - MEDICAL PAYMENTS

### 1. Insuring Agreement

- d. We will pay medical expenses as described below for "bodily injury" caused by an accident:
  - (1) On premises you own or rent;
  - On ways next to premises you own or rent; or
  - (3) Because of your operations;

### provided that:

- (a) The accident takes place in the "coverage territory" and during the policy period;
- (b) The expenses are incurred and reported to us within one year of the date of the accident; and
- (c) The injured person submits to examination, at our expense, by physicians of our choice as often as we reasonably require.
- b. We will make these payments regardless of fault. These payments will not exceed the applicable limit of insurance. We will pay reasonable expenses for:
  - (1) First aid administered at the time of an accident:
  - (2) Necessary medical, surgical, X-ray and dental services, including prosthetic devices; and
  - (3) Necessary ambulance, hospital, professional nursing and funeral services.

### 2. Exclusions

We will not pay expenses for "bodily injury":

a. Any insured

To any insured, except "volunteer workers".

b. Hired Person

To a person hired to do work for or on behalf of any insured or a tenant of any insured.

c. Injury On Normally Occupied Premises

To a person injured on that part of premises you own or rent that the person normally occupies.

### d. Workers' Compensation And Similar Laws

To a person, whether or not an "employee" of any insured, if benefits for the "bodily injury" are payable or must be provided under a workers' compensation or disability benefits law or a similar law.

#### e. Athletics Activities

To a person injured while practicing, instructing or participating in any physical exercises or games, sports, or athletic contests.

- f. Products-Completed Operations Hazard Included within the "products-completed operations hazard".
- g. Coverage A Exclusions

  Excluded under Coverage A.

# SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS - COVERAGES A AND B

- 1. We will pay, with respect to any claim we investigate or settle, or any "suit" against an insured we defend:
  - a. All expenses we incur.
  - b. Up to \$250 for cost of bail bonds required because of accidents or traffic law violations arising out of the use of any vehicle to which the Bodily Injury Liability Coverage applies. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
  - c. The cost of bonds to release attachments, but only for bond amounts within the applicable limit of insurance. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
  - d. All reasonable expenses incurred by the insured at our request to assist us in the investigation or defense of the claim or "suit", including actual loss of earnings up to \$250 a day because of time off from work.
  - e. All court costs taxed against the insured in the "suit". However, these payments do not include attorneys' fees or attorneys' expenses taxed against the insured.
  - f. Prejudgment interest awarded against the insured on that part of the judgment we pay. If we make an offer to pay the applicable limit of insurance, we will not pay any prejudgment interest based on that period of time after the offer.

g. All interest on the full amount of any judgment that accrues after entry of the judgment and before we have paid, offered to pay, or deposited in court the part of the judgment that is within the applicable limit of insurance.

These payments will not reduce the limits of insurance.

- 2. If we defend an insured against a "suit" and an indemnitee of the insured is also named as a party to the "suit", we will defend that indemnitee if all of the following conditions are met:
  - a. The "suit" against the indemnitee seeks damages for which the insured has assumed the liability of the indemnitee in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract";
  - b. This insurance applies to such liability assumed by the insured;
  - c. The obligation to defend, or the cost of the defense of, that indemnitee, has also been assumed by the insured in the same "insured contract";
  - d. The allegations in the "suit" and the information we know about the "occurrence" are such that no conflict appears to exist between the interests of the insured and the interests of the indemnitee;
  - e. The indemnitee and the insured ask us to conduct and control the defense of that indemnitee against such "suit" and agree that we can assign the same counsel to defend the insured and the indemnitee; and
  - f. The indemnitee:
    - (1) Agrees in writing to:
      - (a) Cooperate with us in the investigation, settlement or defense of the "suit";
      - (b) Immediately send us copies of any demands, notices, summonses or legal papers received in connection with the "suit":
      - (c) Notify any other insurer whose coverage is available to the indemnitee; and
      - (d) Cooperate with us with respect to coordinating other applicable insurance available to the indemnitee; and
    - (2) Provides us with written authorization to:
      - (a) Obtain records and other information related to the "suit"; and
      - (b) Conduct and control the defense of the indemnitee in such "suit".

So long as the above conditions are met, attorneys' fees incurred by us in the defense of that indemnitee, necessary litigation expenses incurred by us and necessary litigation expenses incurred by the indemnitee at our request will be paid as Supplementary Payments. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 2.b.(2) of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability, such payments will not be deemed to be damages for "bodily injury" and "property damage" and will not reduce the limits of insurance.

Our obligation to defend an insured's indemnitee and to pay for attorneys' fees and necessary litigation expenses as Supplementary Payments ends when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements or the conditions set forth above, or the terms of the agreement described in Paragraph f. above, are no longer met.

#### SECTION II - WHO IS AN INSURED

- 1. If you are designated in the Declarations as:
  - a. An individual, you and your spouse are insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of a business of which you are the sole owner.
  - b. A partnership or joint venture, you are an insured. Your members, your partners, and their spouses are also insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of your business.
  - c. A limited liability company, you are an insured. Your members are also insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of your business. Your managers are insureds, but only with respect to their duties as your managers.
  - d. An organization other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, you are an insured. Your "executive officers" and directors are insureds, but only with respect to their duties as your officers or directors. Your stockholders are also insureds, but only with respect to their liability as stockholders.
  - A trust, you are an insured. Your trustees are also insureds, but only with respect to their duties as trustees.

- 2. Each of the following is also an insured:
  - a. Your "volunteer workers" only while performing duties related to the conduct of your business, or your "employees", other than either your "executive officers" (if you are an organization other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company) or your managers (if you are a limited liability company), but only for acts within the scope of their employment by you or while performing duties related to the conduct of your business. However, none of these "employees" or "volunteer workers" are insureds for:
    - (1) "Bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury":
      - (a) To you, to your partners or members (if you are a partnership or joint venture), to your members (if you are a limited liability company), to a co-"employee" while in the course of his or her employment or performing duties related to the conduct of your business, or to your other "volunteer workers" while performing duties related to the conduct of your business;
      - (b) To the spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that co-"employee" or "volunteer worker" as a consequence of Paragraph (1)(g) above;
      - (c) For which there is any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury described in Paragraph (1)(a) or (b) above; or
      - (d) Arising out of his or her providing or failing to provide professional health care services.
    - (2) "Property damage" to property:
      - (a) Owned, occupied or used by;
      - (b) Rented to, in the care, custody or control of, or over which physical control is being exercised for any purpose by;

you, any of your "employees", "volunteer workers", any partner or member (if you are a partnership or joint venture), or any member (if you are a limited liability company).

b. Any person (other than your "employee" or "volunteer worker"), or any organization while acting as your real estate manager.

- c. Any person or organization having proper temporary custody of your property if you die, but only:
  - (1) With respect to liability arising out of the maintenance or use of that property; and
  - (2) Until your legal representative has been appointed.
- d. Your legal representative if you die, but only with respect to duties as such. That representative will have all your rights and duties under this Coverage Part.
- 3. Any organization you newly acquire or form, other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, and over which you maintain ownership or majority interest, will qualify as a Named Insured if there is no other similar insurance available to that organization. However:
  - Coverage under this provision is afforded only until the 90th day after you acquire or form the organization or the end of the policy period, whichever is earlier;
  - b. Coverage A does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" that occurred before you acquired or formed the organization; and
  - c. Coverage B does not apply to "personal and advertising injury" arising out of an offense committed before you acquired or formed the organization.

No person or organization is an insured with respect to the conduct of any current or past partnership, joint venture or limited liability company that is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations.

### SECTION III - LIMITS OF INSURANCE

- 1. The Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations and the rules below fix the most we will pay regardless of the number of:
  - a. Insureds:
  - b. Claims made or "suits" brought; or
  - c. Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".
- 2. The General Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of:
  - a. Medical expenses under Coverage C;
  - Damages under Coverage A, except damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard": and
  - c. Damages under Coverage B.

- The Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage A for damages because of "bodily injury" and "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".
- 4. Subject to Paragraph 2. above, the Personal And Advertising Injury Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage B for the sum of all damages because of all "personal and advertising injury" sustained by any one person or organization.
- Subject to Paragraph 2. or 3. above, whichever applies, the Each Occurrence Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of:
  - a. Damages under Coverage A; and
  - b. Medical expenses under Coverage C

because of all "bodily injury" and "property damage" arising out of any one "occurrence".

- 6. Subject to Paragraph 5. above, the Damage To Premises Rented To You Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage A for damages because of "property damage" to any one premises, while rented to you, or in the case of damage by fire, while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner.
- Subject to Paragraph 5. above, the Medical Expense Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage C for all medical expenses because of "bodily injury" sustained by any one person.

The Limits of Insurance of this Coverage Part apply separately to each consecutive annual period and to any remaining period of less than 12 months, starting with the beginning of the policy period shown in the Declarations, unless the policy period is extended after issuance for an additional period of less than 12 months. In that case, the additional period will be deemed part of the last preceding period for purposes of determining the Limits of Insurance.

## SECTION IV - COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CONDITIONS

#### 1. Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy or insolvency of the insured or of the insured's estate will not relieve us of our obligations under this Coverage Part.

## 2. Duties In The Event Of Occurrence, Offense, Claim Or Suit

- a. You must see to it that we are notified as soon as practicable of an "occurrence" or an offense which may result in a claim. To the extent possible, notice should include:
  - How, when and where the "occurrence" or offense took place;
  - (2) The names and addresses of any injured persons and witnesses; and

- (3) The nature and location of any injury or damage arising out of the "occurrence" or offense.
- b. If a claim is made or "suit" is brought against any insured, you must:
  - (1) Immediately record the specifics of the claim or "suit" and the date received; and
  - (2) Notify us as soon as practicable.

You must see to it that we receive written notice of the claim or "suit" as soon as practicable.

- c. You and any other involved insured must:
  - Immediately send us copies of any demands, notices, summonses or legal papers received in connection with the claim or "suit";
  - (2) Authorize us to obtain records and other information;
  - (3) Cooperate with us in the investigation or settlement of the claim or defense against the "suit"; and
  - (4) Assist us, upon our request, in the enforcement of any right against any person or organization which may be liable to the insured because of injury or damage to which this insurance may also apply.
- d. No insured will, except at that insured's own cost, voluntarily make a payment, assume any obligation, or incur any expense, other than for first aid, without our consent.

#### 3. Legal Action Against Us

No person or organization has a right under this Coverage Part:

- To join us as a party or otherwise bring us into a "suit" asking for damages from an insured; or
- b. To sue us on this Coverage Part unless all of its terms have been fully complied with.

A person or organization may sue us to recover on an agreed settlement or on a final judgment against an insured; but we will not be liable for damages that are not payable under the terms of this Coverage Part or that are in excess of the applicable limit of insurance. An agreed settlement means a settlement and release of liability signed by us, the insured and the claimant or the claimant's legal representative.

#### 4. Other Insurance

If other valid and collectible insurance is available to the insured for a loss we cover under Coverages A or B of this Coverage Part, our obligations are limited as follows:

#### a. Primary Insurance

This insurance is primary except when Paragraph b. below applies. If this insurance is primary, our obligations are not affected unless any of the other insurance is also primary. Then, we will share with all that other insurance by the method described in Paragraph c. below.

#### b. Excess Insurance

- (1) This insurance is excess over:
  - (a) Any of the other insurance, whether primary, excess, contingent or on any other basis:
    - (i) That is Fire, Extended Coverage, Builder's Risk, Installation Risk or similar coverage for "your work";
    - (ii) That is Fire insurance for premises rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner:
    - (iii) That is insurance purchased by you to cover your liability as a tenant for "property damage" to premises rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner; or
    - (iv) If the loss arises out of the maintenance or use of aircraft, "autos" or watercraft to the extent not subject to Exclusion g. of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability.
  - (b) Any other primary insurance available to you covering liability for damages arising out of the premises or operations, or the products and completed operations, for which you have been added as an additional insured.
- (2) When this insurance is excess, we will have no duty under Coverages A or B to defend the insured against any "suit" if any other insurer has a duty to defend the insured against that "suit". If no other insurer defends, we will undertake to do so, but we will be entitled to the insured's rights against all those other insurers.

- (3) When this insurance is excess over other insurance, we will pay only our share of the amount of the loss, if any, that exceeds the sum of:
  - (a) The total amount that all such other insurance would pay for the loss in the absence of this insurance; and
  - (b) The total of all deductible and selfinsured amounts under all that other insurance.
- (4) We will share the remaining loss, if any, with any other insurance that is not described in this Excess Insurance provision and was not bought specifically to apply in excess of the Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations of this Coverage Part.

#### c. Method Of Sharing

If all of the other insurance permits contribution by equal shares, we will follow this method also. Under this approach each insurer contributes equal amounts until it has paid its applicable limit of insurance or none of the loss remains, whichever comes first.

If any of the other insurance does not permit contribution by equal shares, we will contribute by limits. Under this method, each insurer's share is based on the ratio of its applicable limit of insurance to the total applicable limits of insurance of all insurers.

#### 5. Premium Audit

- c. We will compute all premiums for this Coverage Part in accordance with our rules and rates.
- b. Premium shown in this Coverage Part as advance premium is a deposit premium only. At the close of each audit period we will compute the earned premium for that period and send notice to the first Named Insured. The due date for audit and retrospective premiums is the date shown as the due date on the bill. If the sum of the advance and audit premiums paid for the policy period is greater than the earned premium, we will return the excess to the first Named Insured.
- c. The first Named Insured must keep records of the information we need for premium computation, and send us copies at such times as we may request.

#### 6. Representations

By accepting this policy, you agree:

The statements in the Declarations are accurate and complete;

- b. Those statements are based upon representations you made to us; and
- We have issued this policy in reliance upon your representations.

#### 7. Separation Of Insureds

Except with respect to the Limits of Insurance, and any rights or duties specifically assigned in this Coverage Part to the first Named Insured, this insurance applies:

- a. As if each Named Insured were the only Named Insured; and
- b. Separately to each insured against whom claim is made or "suit" is brought.

#### 8. Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us

If the insured has rights to recover all or part of any payment we have made under this Coverage Part, those rights are transferred to us. The insured must do nothing after loss to impair them. At our request, the insured will bring "suit" or transfer those rights to us and help us enforce them.

#### 9. When We Do Not Renew

If we decide not to renew this Coverage Part, we will mail or deliver to the first Named Insured shown in the Declarations written notice of the nonrenewal not less than 30 days before the expiration date.

If notice is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

#### SECTION V - DEFINITIONS

- "Advertisement" means a notice that is broadcast or published to the general public or specific market segments about your goods, products or services for the purpose of attracting customers or supporters. For the purposes of this definition:
  - Notices that are published include material placed on the Internet or on similar electronic means of communication; and
  - b. Regarding web sites, only that part of a web site that is about your goods, products or services for the purposes of attracting customers or supporters is considered an advertisement.

#### 2. "Auto" means:

- a. A land motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer designed for travel on public roads, including any attached machinery or equipment; or
- b. Any other land vehicle that is subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged.

- However, "auto" does not include "mobile equipment".
- 3. "Bodily injury" means bodily injury, sickness or disease sustained by a person, including death resulting from any of these at any time.
- 4. "Coverage territory" means:
  - The United States of America (including its territories and possessions), Puerto Rico and Canada;
  - International waters or airspace, but only if the injury or damage occurs in the course of travel or transportation between any places included in Paragraph a. above; or
  - c. All other parts of the world if the injury or damage arises out of:
    - (1) Goods or products made or sold by you in the territory described in Paragraph a. above:
    - (2) The activities of a person whose home is in the territory described in Paragraph a above, but is away for a short time on your business; or
    - (3) "Personal and advertising injury" offenses that take place through the Internet or similar electronic means of communication;

provided the insured's responsibility to pay damages is determined in a "suit" on the merits, in the territory described in Paragraph a. above or in a settlement we agree to.

- "Employee" includes a "leased worker".
   "Employee" does not include a "temporary worker".
- "Executive officer" means a person holding any of the officer positions created by your charter, constitution, bylaws or any other similar governing document.
- "Hostile fire" means one which becomes uncontrollable or breaks out from where it was intended to be.
- 8. "Impaired property" means tangible property, other than "your product" or "your work", that cannot be used or is less useful because:
  - a. It incorporates "your product" or "your work" that is known or thought to be defective, deficient, inadequate or dangerous; or
  - You have failed to fulfill the terms of a contract or agreement;

if such property can be restored to use by the repair, replacement, adjustment or removal of "your product" or "your work" or your fulfilling the terms of the contract or agreement.

- 9. "Insured contract" means:
  - a. A contract for a lease of premises. However, that portion of the contract for a lease of premises that indemnifies any person or organization for damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner is not an "insured contract";
  - b. A sidetrack agreement;
  - c. Any easement or license agreement, except in connection with construction or demolition operations on or within 50 feet of a railroad;
  - d. An obligation, as required by ordinance, to indemnify a municipality, except in connection with work for a municipality;
  - e. An elevator maintenance agreement;
  - f. That part of any other contract or agreement pertaining to your business (including an indemnification of a municipality in connection with work performed for a municipality) under which you assume the tort liability of another party to pay for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to a third person or organization. Tort liability means a liability that would be imposed by law in the absence of any contract or agreement.

Paragraph f. does not include that part of any contract or agreement:

- (1) That indemnifies a railroad for "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of construction or demolition operations, within 50 feet of any railroad property and affecting any railroad bridge or trestle, tracks, road-beds, tunnel, underpass or crossing;
- (2) That indemnifies an architect, engineer or surveyor for injury or damage arising out of:
  - (a) Preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
  - (b) Giving directions or instructions, or failing to give them, if that is the primary cause of the injury or damage; or
- (3) Under which the insured, if an architect, engineer or surveyor, assumes liability for an injury or damage arising out of the insured's rendering or failure to render professional services, including those listed in (2) above and supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

- 10. "Leased worker" means a person leased to you by a labor leasing firm under an agreement between you and the labor leasing firm, to perform duties related to the conduct of your business. "Leased worker" does not include a "temporary worker".
- 11."Loading or unloading" means the handling of property:
  - a. After it is moved from the place where it is accepted for movement into or onto an aircraft, watercraft or "auto":
  - b. While it is in or on an aircraft, watercraft or "auto"; or
  - While it is being moved from an aircraft, watercraft or "auto" to the place where it is finally delivered;

but "loading or unloading" does not include the movement of property by means of a mechanical device, other than a hand truck, that is not attached to the aircraft, watercraft or "auto".

- 12. "Mobile equipment" means any of the following types of land vehicles, including any attached machinery or equipment:
  - Bulldozers, farm machinery, forklifts and other vehicles designed for use principally off public roads:
  - Vehicles maintained for use solely on or next to premises you own or rent;
  - c. Vehicles that travel on crawler treads:
  - d. Vehicles, whether self-propelled or not, maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently mounted:
    - (1) Power cranes, shovels, loaders, diggers or drills: or
    - (2) Road construction or resurfacing equipment such as graders, scrapers or rollers;
  - e. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above that are not self-propelled and are maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently attached equipment of the following types:
    - (1) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment; or
    - (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices used to raise or lower workers;
  - f. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above maintained primarily for purposes other than the transportation of persons or cargo.

However, self-propelled vehicles with the following types of permanently attached equipment are not "mobile equipment" but will be considered "autos":

- (1) Equipment designed primarily for:
  - (a) Snow removal:
  - (b) Road maintenance, but not construction or resurfacing; or
  - (c) Street cleaning;
- (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices mounted on automobile or truck chassis and used to raise or lower workers: and
- (3) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment.

However, "mobile equipment" does not include any land vehicles that are subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged. Land vehicles subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law are considered "autos".

- 13. "Occurrence" means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions.
- 14. "Personal and advertising injury" means injury, including consequential "bodily injury", arising out of one or more of the following offenses:
  - a. False arrest, detention or imprisonment;
  - b. Malicious prosecution;
  - c. The wrongful eviction from, wrongful entry into, or invasion of the right of private occupancy of a room, dwelling or premises that a person occupies, committed by or on behalf of its owner, landlord or lessor;
  - d. Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that slanders or libels a person or organization or disparages a person's or organization's goods, products or services;
  - e. Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that violates a person's right of privacy;
  - f. The use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement"; or
  - g. Infringing upon another's copyright, trade dress or slogan in your "advertisement".
- 15."Pollutants" mean any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

- 16. "Products-completed operations hazard":
  - a. Includes all "bodily injury" and "property damage" occurring away from premises you own or rent and arising out of "your product" or "your work" except:
    - (1) Products that are still in your physical possession; or
    - (2) Work that has not yet been completed or abandoned. However, "your work" will be deemed completed at the earliest of the following times:
      - (a) When all of the work called for in your contract has been completed.
      - (b) When all of the work to be done at the job site has been completed if your contract calls for work at more than one job site.
      - (c) When that part of the work done at a job site has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor working on the same project.

Work that may need service, maintenance, correction, repair or replacement, but which is otherwise complete, will be treated as completed.

- Does not include "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (1) The transportation of property, unless the injury or damage arises out of a condition in or on a vehicle not owned or operated by you, and that condition was created by the "loading or unloading" of that vehicle by any insured:
  - (2) The existence of tools, uninstalled equipment or abandoned or unused materials; or
  - (3) Products or operations for which the classification, listed in the Declarations or in a policy Schedule, states that products-completed operations are subject to the General Aggregate Limit.

#### 17. "Property damage" means:

- a. Physical injury to tangible property, including all resulting loss of use of that property. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the physical injury that caused it; or
- b. Loss of use of tangible property that is not physically injured. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the "occurrence" that caused it.

For the purposes of this insurance, electronic data is not tangible property.

As used in this definition, electronic data means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software, including systems and applications software, hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMs, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.

- 18. "Suit" means a civil proceeding in which damages because of "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance applies are alleged. "Suit" includes:
  - a. An arbitration proceeding in which such damages are claimed and to which the insured must submit or does submit with our consent; or
  - b. Any other alternative dispute resolution proceeding in which such damages are claimed and to which the insured submits with our consent.
- 19. "Temporary worker" means a person who is furnished to you to substitute for a permanent "employee" on leave or to meet seasonal or short-term workload conditions.
- 20. "Volunteer worker" means a person who is not your "employee", and who donates his or her work and acts at the direction of and within the scope of duties determined by you, and is not paid a fee, salary or other compensation by you or anyone else for their work performed for you.

#### 21. "Your product":

#### a. Means:

- Any goods or products, other than real property, manufactured, sold, handled, distributed or disposed of by:
  - (a) You;
  - (b) Others trading under your name; or
  - (c) A person or organization whose business or assets you have acquired; and
- (2) Containers (other than vehicles), materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such goods or products.

#### b. Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your product"; and
- (2) The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.
- c. Does not include vending machines or other property rented to or located for the use of others but not sold.

#### 22. "Your work":

#### g. Means:

- (1) Work or operations performed by you or on your behalf; and
- (2) Materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations.

#### b. Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your work"; and
- (2) The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.

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## **COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS**

All Coverage Parts included in this policy are subject to the following conditions.

#### A. Cancellation

- The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations may cancel this policy by mailing or delivering to us advance written notice of cancellation.
- We may cancel this policy by mailing or delivering to the first Named Insured written notice of cancellation at least:
  - a. 10 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for nonpayment of premium; or
  - **b.** 30 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for any other reason.
- We will mail or deliver our notice to the first Named Insured's last mailing address known to us.
- Notice of cancellation will state the effective date of cancellation. The policy period will end on that date.
- 5. If this policy is cancelled, we will send the first Named Insured any premium refund due. If we cancel, the refund will be pro rata. If the first Named Insured cancels, the refund may be less than pro rata. The cancellation will be effective even if we have not made or offered a refund.
- If notice is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

#### **B.** Changes

This policy contains all the agreements between you and us concerning the insurance afforded. The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations is authorized to make changes in the terms of this policy with our consent. This policy's terms can be amended or waived only by endorsement issued by us and made a part of this policy.

#### C. Examination Of Your Books And Records

We may examine and audit your books and records as they relate to this policy at any time during the policy period and up to three years afterward.

#### D. Inspections And Surveys

- 1. We have the right to:
  - a. Make inspections and surveys at any time;

- Give you reports on the conditions we find;
   and
- Recommend changes.
- 2. We are not obligated to make any inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations and any such actions we do undertake relate only to insurability and the premiums to be charged. We do not make safety inspections. We do not undertake to perform the duty of any person or organization to provide for the health or safety of workers or the public. And we do not warrant that conditions:
  - a. Are safe or healthful; or
  - b. Comply with laws, regulations, codes or standards.
- Paragraphs 1. and 2. of this condition apply not only to us, but also to any rating, advisory, rate service or similar organization which makes insurance inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations.
- 4. Paragraph 2. of this condition does not apply to any inspections, surveys, reports or recommendations we may make relative to certification, under state or municipal statutes, ordinances or regulations, of boilers, pressure vessels or elevators.

#### E. Premiums

The first Named Insured shown in the Declarations:

- Is responsible for the payment of all premiums;
- 2. Will be the payee for any return premiums we pay.

## F. Transfer Of Your Rights And Duties Under This Policy

Your rights and duties under this policy may not be transferred without our written consent except in the case of death of an individual named insured.

If you die, your rights and duties will be transferred to your legal representative but only while acting within the scope of duties as your legal representative. Until your legal representative is appointed, anyone having proper temporary custody of your property will have your rights and duties but only with respect to that property.

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#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## ILLINOIS CHANGES - DEFENSE COSTS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE PART COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART COMMERCIAL LIABILITY UMBRELLA COVERAGE PART COMMERCIAL PROPERTY COVERAGE PART - LEGAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM COMMERCIAL PROPERTY COVERAGE PART - MORTGAGEHOLDERS ERRORS AND OMISSIONS **COVERAGE FORM EMPLOYMENT-RELATED PRACTICES LIABILITY COVERAGE PART** FARM COVERAGE PART FARM UMBRELLA LIABILITY POLICY LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART OWNERS AND CONTRACTORS PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART **POLLUTION LIABILITY COVERAGE PART** PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCT WITHDRAWAL COVERAGE PART RAILROAD PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART **UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK COVERAGE PART** 

- A. The provisions of Paragraph B. are added to all Insuring Agreements that set forth a duty to defend under:
  - Section I of the Commercial General Liability, Commercial Liability Umbrella, Employment-Related Practices Liability, Farm, Liquor Liability, Owners And Contractors Protective Liability, Pollution Liability, Products/Completed Operations Liability, Product Withdrawal, Medical Professional Liability, Railroad Protective Liability, Underground Storage Tank Coverage Parts and the Farm Umbrella Liability Policy;
  - Section II Liability Coverage in Paragraph A. Coverage under the Business Auto, Garage, Motor Carrier and Truckers Coverage Forms;
  - 3. Section A. Coverage under the Legal Liability Coverage Form; and
  - Coverage C Mortgageholder's Liability under the Mortgageholders Errors And Omissions Coverage Form.

B. If we initially defend an insured ("insured") or pay for an insured's ("insured's") defense but later determine that the claim(s) is (are) not covered under this insurance, we will have the right to reimbursement for the defense costs we have incurred.

The right to reimbursement for the defense costs under this provision will only apply to defense costs we have incurred after we notify you in writing that there may not be coverage, and that we are reserving our rights to terminate the defense and seek reimbursement for defense costs.

## CERTIFIED ACTS OF TERRORISM AND OTHER ACTS OF TERRORISM EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
FARM LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
OWNERS AND CONTRACTORS PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
RAILROAD PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. The following exclusion is added:

#### TERRORISM AND PUNITIVE DAMAGES

This insurance does not apply to "any injury or damage" arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) A "certified act of terrorism" or an "other act of terrorism", including any action taken in hindering or defending against an actual or expected incident of a "certified act of terrorism" or an "other act of terrorism"; or
- (2) Any act of terrorism:
  - (a) that involves the use, release or escape of nuclear materials, or directly or indirectly results in nuclear reaction or radiation or radioactive contamination; or
  - (b) that is carried out by means of the dispersal or application of pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials; or
  - (c) in which pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials are released, and it appears that one purpose of the terrorism was to release such materials;

regardless of any other cause or event that contributes concurrently or in any sequence to the injury or damage in (1) or (2) above; including

- (3) Damages arising, directly or indirectly, out of (1) or (2) above that are awarded as punitive damages.
- B. The terms and limitations of any terrorism exclusion, or the inapplicability or omission of a terrorism exclusion, do not serve to create coverage for injury or damage that is otherwise excluded under this Coverage Part.
- C. The following definitions are added to the **DEFINITIONS** Section:

For the purposes of this endorsement, "any injury or damage" means any injury or damage covered under any Coverage Part to which this endorsement is applicable, and includes but is not limited to any damage, "bodily injury", "property damage", "personal and advertising injury", "injury" or "environmental damage" as may be defined in any applicable Coverage Part.

"Certified act of terrorism" means an act that is certified by the Secretary of the Treasury, in accordance with the provisions of the federal Terrorism Risk Insurance Act to be an act of terrorism pursuant to such Act. The criteria contained in the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act for a "certified act of terrorism" include the following:

**a.** The act resulted in insured losses in excess of \$5 million in the aggregate, attributable to all types of insurance subject to the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act; and

**b.** The act is a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure and is committed by an individual or individuals as part of an effort to coerce the civilian population of the United States or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of the United States Government by coercion.

"Other act of terrorism" means a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure that is committed by an individual or individuals and that appears to be part of an effort to coerce a civilian population or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of any government by coercion, and the act is not a "certified act of terrorism". Multiple incidents of an "other act of terrorism" which occur within a seventy-two hour period and appear to be carried out in concert or to have a related purpose or common leadership shall be considered to be one incident.

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## THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. ADDITIONAL INSURED — VENDORS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

#### **SCHEDULE**

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s) (Vendor)	Your Products
All persons or organizations as required by written contract with the Named Insured	All products manufactured by the Named Insured.

A. Section II – Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured any person(s) or organization(s) (referred to throughout this endorsement as vendor) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of "your products" shown in the Schedule which are distributed or sold in the regular course of the vendor's business.

#### However:

- 1. The insurance afforded to such vendor only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- 2. If coverage provided to the vendor is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such vendor will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such vendor.

- **B.** With respect to the insurance afforded to these vendors, the following additional exclusions apply:
  - The insurance afforded the vendor does not apply to:
    - a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the vendor is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the vendor would have in the absence of the contract or agreement;
    - b. Any express warranty unauthorized by you;
    - Any physical or chemical change in the product made intentionally by the vendor;
    - d. Repackaging, except when unpacked solely for the purpose of inspection, demonstration, testing, or the substitution of parts under instructions from the manufacturer, and then repackaged in the original container;

- e. Any failure to make such inspections, adjustments, tests or servicing as the vendor has agreed to make or normally undertakes to make in the usual course of business, in connection with the distribution or sale of the products;
- f. Demonstration, installation, servicing or repair operations, except such operations performed at the vendor's premises in connection with the sale of the product;
- g. Products which, after distribution or sale by you, have been labeled or relabeled or used as a container, part or ingredient of any other thing or substance by or for the vendor; or
- h. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the sole negligence of the vendor for its own acts or omissions or those of its employees or anyone else acting on its behalf. However, this exclusion does not apply to:
  - (1) The exceptions contained in Subparagraphs d. or f.; or

- (2) Such inspections, adjustments, tests or servicing as the vendor has agreed to make or normally undertakes to make in the usual course of business, in connection with the distribution or sale of the products.
- This insurance does not apply to any insured person or organization, from whom you have acquired such products, or any ingredient, part or container, entering into, accompanying or containing such products.
- C. With respect to the insurance afforded to these vendors, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the vendor is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the vendor is the amount of insurance:

- 1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
- 2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations;

whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

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## CG 21 04 11 85 EXCLUSION - PRODUCTS - COMPLETED OPERATIONS HAZARD

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

#### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" included within the "products - completed operations hazard".

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# EXCLUSION – ACCESS OR DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL OR PERSONAL INFORMATION AND DATA-RELATED LIABILITY – LIMITED BODILY INJURY EXCEPTION NOT INCLUDED

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

#### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

- A. Exclusion 2.p. of Section I Coverage A Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability is replaced by the following:
  - 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

 Access Or Disclosure Of Confidential Or Personal Information And Data-related Liability

Damages arising out of:

- (1) Any access to or disclosure of any person's or organization's confidential or personal information, including patents, trade secrets, processing methods, customer lists, financial information, credit card information, health information or any other type of nonpublic information; or
- (2) The loss of, loss of use of, damage to, corruption of, inability to access, or inability to manipulate electronic data.

This exclusion applies even if damages are claimed for notification costs, credit monitoring expenses, forensic expenses, public relations expenses or any other loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others arising out of that which is described in Paragraph (1) or (2) above.

As used in this exclusion, electronic data means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software, including systems and applications software, hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMs, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.

- B. The following is added to Paragraph 2.
   Exclusions of Section I Coverage B Personal And Advertising Injury Liability:
  - 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

Access Or Disclosure Of Confidential Or Personal Information

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of any access to or disclosure of any person's or organization's confidential or personal information, including patents, trade secrets, processing methods, customer lists, financial information, credit card information, health information or any other type of nonpublic information.

This exclusion applies even if damages are claimed for notification costs, credit monitoring expenses, forensic expenses, public relations expenses or any other loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others arising out of any access to or disclosure of any person's or organization's confidential or personal information.

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## **EXCLUSION – UNMANNED AIRCRAFT**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

#### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. Exclusion 2.g. Aircraft, Auto Or Watercraft under Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability is replaced by the following:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

- g. Aircraft, Auto Or Watercraft
  - (1) Unmanned Aircraft

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft that is an "unmanned aircraft". Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This Paragraph g.(1) applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft that is an "unmanned aircraft".

(2) Aircraft (Other T han Unmanned Aircraft), Auto Or Watercraft

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft (other than "unmanned aircraft"), "auto" or watercraft owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured. Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This Paragraph g.(2) applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft (other than "unmanned aircraft"), "auto" or watercraft that is owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured.

This Paragraph g.(2) does not apply to:

- (a) A watercraft while ashore on premises you own or rent;
- (b) A watercraft you do not own that is:
  - (i) Less than 26 feet long; and
  - (ii) Not being used to carry persons or property for a charge;
- (c) Parking an "auto" on, or on the ways next to, premises you own or rent, provided the "auto" is not owned by or rented or loaned to you or the insured:
- (d) Liability assumed under any "insured contract" for the ownership, maintenance or use of aircraft or watercraft; or

- (e) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (i) The operation of machinery or equipment that is attached to, or part of, a land vehicle that would qualify under the definition of "mobile equipment" if it were not subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged; or
  - (ii) The operation of any of the machinery or equipment listed in Paragraph f.(2) or f.(3) of the definition of "mobile equipment".
- B. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2.
   Exclusions of Coverage B Personal And Advertising Injury Liability:
  - 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

**Unmanned Aircraft** 

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft that is an "unmanned aircraft". Use includes operation and "loading or unloading". This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the offense which caused the "personal and advertising injury" involved the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft that is an "unmanned aircraft".

This exclusion does not apply to:

- The use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement"; or
- b. Infringing upon another's copyright, trade dress or slogan in your "advertisement".
- C. The following definition is added to the Definitions section:

"Unmanned aircraft" means an aircraft that is not:

- 1. Designed;
- 2. Manufactured; or
- 3. Modified after manufacture;

to be controlled directly by a person from within or on the aircraft.

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## **EXCLUSION - PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART.

COVERAGE B (Section I) does not apply and none of the references to it in the Coverage Part apply.

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#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## TOTAL POLLUTION EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

#### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

Exclusion f. under Paragraph 2., Exclusions of Seclition I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability is replaced by the following:

This insurance does not apply to:

- f. Pollution
  - (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" which would not have occurred in whole or part but for the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" at any time.
- (2) Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
  - (a) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of "pollutants": or
  - (b) Claim or suit by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

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#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## **FUNGI OR BACTERIA EXCLUSION**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

#### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2. Exclusions of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Fungi Or Bacteria

- a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" which would not have occurred, in whole or in part, but for the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, any "fungi" or bacteria on or within a building or structure, including its contents, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to such injury or damage.
- b. Any loss, cost or expenses arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "fungi" or bacteria, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion does not apply to any "fungi" or bacteria that are, are on, or are contained in, a good or product intended for bodily consumption.

B. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2. Exclusions of Section I – Coverage B – Personal And Advertising Injury Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Fungi Or Bacteria

- a. "Personal and advertising injury" which would not have taken place, in whole or in part, but for the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of any "fungi" or bacteria on or within a building or structure, including its contents, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to such injury.
- b. Any loss, cost or expense arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "fungi" or bacteria, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- C. The following definition is added to the **Definitions** Section:

"Fungi" means any type or form of fungus, including mold or mildew and any mycotoxins, spores, scents or byproducts produced or released by fungi.

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#### THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

### SILICA OR SILICA-RELATED DUST EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2., Exclusions of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Silica Or Silica-Related Dust

- a. "Bodily injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, or ingestion of, "silica" or "silica-related dust".
- b. "Property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, "silica" or "silicarelated dust".
- c. Any loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, "silica" or "silica-related dust", by any insured or by any other person or entity.

B. The following exclusion is added to Paragraph 2., Exclusions of Section I – Coverage B – Personal And Advertising Injury Liability:

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Silica Or Silica-Related Dust

- a. "Personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, "silica" or "silicarelated dust".
- b. Any loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, "silica" or "silica-related dust", by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- C. The following definitions are added to the **Definitions** Section:
  - "Silica" means silicon dioxide (occurring in crystalline, amorphous and impure forms), silica particles, silica dust or silica compounds.
  - 2. "Silica-related dust" means a mixture or combination of silica and other dust or particles.

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## AMENDMENT OF INSURED CONTRACT DEFINITION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

The definition of "insured contract" in the Definitions section is replaced by the following:

"Insured contract" means:

- a. A contract for a lease of premises. However, that portion of the contract for a lease of premises that indemnifies any person or organization for damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner is not an "insured contract";
- b. A sidetrack agreement;
- Any easement or license agreement, except in connection with construction or demolition operations on or within 50 feet of a railroad;
- d. An obligation, as required by ordinance, to indemnify a municipality, except in connection with work for a municipality;
- e. An elevator maintenance agreement;
- f. That part of any other contract or agreement pertaining to your business (including an indemnification of a municipality in connection with work performed for a municipality) under which you assume the tort liability of another party to pay for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to a third person or organization, provided the "bodily injury" or "property damage" is caused, in whole or in part, by you or by those acting on your behalf. However, such part of a contract or agreement shall only be considered an "insured contract" to the extent your assumption of the tort liability is permitted by law. Tort liability means a liability that would be imposed by law in the absence of any contract or agreement.

Paragraph f. does not include that part of any contract or agreement:

- That indemnifies a railroad for "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of construction or demolition operations, within 50 feet of any railroad property and affecting any railroad bridge or trestle, tracks, road-beds, tunnel, underpass or crossing;
- (2) That indemnifies an architect, engineer or surveyor for injury or damage arising out of:
  - (a) Preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
  - (b) Giving directions or instructions, or failing to give them, if that is the primary cause of the injury or damage; or
- (3) Under which the insured, if an architect, engineer or surveyor, assumes liability for an injury or damage arising out of the insured's rendering or failure to render professional services, including those listed in (2) above and supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

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## NUCLEAR ENERGY LIABILITY EXCLUSION ENDORSEMENT

(Broad Form)

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE PART
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
FARM COVERAGE PART
LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
OWNERS AND CONTRACTORS PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
POLLUTION LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
RAILROAD PROTECTIVE LIABILITY COVERAGE PART
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK POLICY

- 1. The insurance does not apply:
  - A. Under any Liability Coverage, to "bodily injury" or "property damage":
    - (1) With respect to which an "insured" under the policy is also an insured under a nuclear energy liability policy issued by Nuclear Energy Liability Insurance Association, Mutual Atomic Energy Liability Underwriters, Nuclear Insurance Association of Canada or any of their successors, or would be an insured under any such policy but for its termination upon exhaustion of its limit of liability; or
    - (2) Resulting from the "hazardous properties" of "nuclear material" and with respect to which (a) any person or organization is required to maintain financial protection pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, or any law amendatory thereof, or (b) the "insured" is, or had this policy not been issued would be, entitled to indemnity from the United States of America, or any agency thereof, under any agreement entered into by the United States of America, or any agency thereof, with any person or organization.
  - B. Under any Medical Payments coverage, to expenses incurred with respect to "bodily injury" resulting from the "hazardous properties" of "nuclear material" and arising out of the operation of a "nuclear facility" by any person or organization.

- C. Under any Liability Coverage, to "bodily injury" or "property damage" resulting from "hazardous properties" of "nuclear material", if:
  - (1) The "nuclear material" (a) is at any "nuclear facility" owned by, or operated by or on behalf of, an "insured" or (b) has been discharged or dispersed therefrom;
  - (2) The "nuclear material" is contained in "spent fuel" or "waste" at any time possessed, handled, used, processed, stored, transported or disposed of, by or on behalf of an "insured"; or
  - (3) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the furnishing by an "insured" of services, materials, parts or equipment in connection with the planning, construction, maintenance, operation or use of any "nuclear facility", but if such facility is located within the United States of America, its territories or possessions or Canada, this exclusion (3) applies only to "property damage" to such "nuclear facility" and any property thereat.
- 2. As used in this endorsement:

"Hazardous properties" includes radioactive, toxic or explosive properties.

"Nuclear material" means "source material", "special nuclear material" or "by-product material".

"Source material", "special nuclear material", and "by-product material" have the meanings given them in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 or in any law amendatory thereof.

"Spent fuel" means any fuel element or fuel component, solid or liquid, which has been used or exposed to radiation in a "nuclear reactor".

"Waste" means any waste material (a) containing "by-product material" other than the tailings or wastes produced by the extraction or concentration of uranium or thorium from any ore processed primarily for its "source material" content, and (b) resulting from the operation by any person or organization of any "nuclear facility" included under the first two paragraphs of the definition of "nuclear facility".

"Nuclear facility" means:

- (a) Any "nuclear reactor";
- (b) Any equipment or device designed or used for (1) separating the isotopes of uranium or plutonium, (2) processing or utilizing "spent fuel", or (3) handling, processing or packaging "waste";

- (c) Any equipment or device used for the processing, fabricating or alloying of "special nuclear material" if at any time the total amount of such material in the custody of the "insured" at the premises where such equipment or device is located consists of or contains more than 25 grams of plutonium or uranium 233 or any combination thereof, or more than 250 grams of uranium 235.
- (d) Any structure, basin, excavation, premises or place prepared or used for the storage or disposal of "waste";

and includes the site on which any of the foregoing is located, all operations conducted on such site and all premises used for such operations.

"Nuclear reactor" means any apparatus designed or used to sustain nuclear fission in a self-supporting chain reaction or to contain a critical mass of fissionable material.

"Property damage" includes all forms of radioactive contamination of property.

## MINIMUM PREMIUM

The following additional policy Conditions supersede any other policy conditions regarding a minimum premium for this policy:

#### **Policy Premium**

Policy premium means the premium that is calculated as follows:

- 1. The total policy premium as shown in the Policy Declarations, plus
- 2. Any premium adjustment by endorsements, plus
- 3. Any additional premium developed by audit.

#### **Audits**

Audits will not reduce the policy premium. The due date for audit premium is the date shown as the due date on the bill.

#### Cancellation and Minimum Earned Premium

- 1. If you cancel this policy, the return premium will be 90% of the unearned premium. However, as a minimum earned premium, we will retain no less than 25 % of the policy premium.
- 2. If we cancel the policy:
  - a. for non-payment of premium, for any of the reasons stated in the U173-Cancellation Endorsement that provide a 10 day notice or for the reasons stated in an amendatory state specific cancellation endorsement (up to and including a 30 day notice), the earned premium will be computed pro rata based on the length of the cancelled policy term; however, as a minimum earned premium, we will retain no less than 25 % of the policy premium; or
  - b. for any reason other than those identified in subparagraph 2.g. above, the earned premium will be computed pro rata based on the length of the cancelled policy term and the minimum earned premium as stated in 2.g. shall not apply.

Any unearned premium will be returned as soon as practicable.

- 3. However, if the policy is a project specific policy where specified locations are designated for coverage and the policy period is in excess of one year, regardless of who initiates cancellation of the policy, the policy premium will be deemed fully earned after 75% of the policy period has passed. For a project specific policy, the policy premium will be deemed fully earned with no return premium to be provided upon cancellation once the project has reached a level of substantial completion following construction or renovation. Substantial completion means the earliest of the following:
  - a. The date of use or occupancy of one or more of the locations of the specified project occurs;
  - b. A temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy has been issued;
  - c. The date of the final inspection of the construction project by the applicable public agency occurs; or
  - d. The final cost of construction is at least 90% of the estimated construction cost upon which this policy premium was based.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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## AIRCRAFT PRODUCTS AND GROUNDING EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

A. SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and SECTION I – PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

Aircraft or Grounding

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly out of:

- 1. any "aircraft product" or the "grounding" of any aircraft; or
- 2. "your work" on aircraft (including missile or spacecraft, and any ground support or control equipment).
- B. SECTION V DEFINITIONS is amended and the following added:

"Aircraft product" means:

- a. Aircraft (including missile or spacecraft, and any ground support or control equipment used therewith);
- b. Any article furnished by you or on your behalf and installed in an aircraft or used in connection with an aircraft or for spare parts for an aircraft including ground handling tools and equipment:
- c. Any of "your products" used at an airport for the purpose of guidance, navigation or direction of aircraft;
- d. training aids, instructions, manuals, blueprints, engineering or other data or advice and services and labor relating to such aircraft, articles or products that you or any other person or organization on your behalf:
  - (1) sold, handled or distributed; or
  - (2) manufactured, assembled or processed:
    - (a) according to specifications, plans, suggestions, orders, or drawings provided by you or on your behalf; or
    - (b) with tools, machinery or equipment furnished to such persons or drawings provided by you or on your behalf.

"Grounding" means:

- a. the withdrawal of one or more aircraft from flight operations; or
- b. the imposition of speed, passenger or load restrictions on such aircraft

by reason of the existence of or alleged or suspected existence of any defect, fault or condition in such aircraft or any part thereof whether such aircraft so withdrawn are owned or operated by the same or different persons, organizations or corporations.

## EMPLOYMENT RELATED PRACTICES EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

#### Employment Related Practices

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" to:

- (1) a person arising directly or indirectly out of any:
  - (a) refusal to employ that person;
  - (b) termination of that person's employment; or
  - (c) employment-related practices, policies, acts or omissions, such as coercion, demotion, evaluation, reassignment, discipline, defamation, harassment, humiliation, assault, battery, discrimination, malicious prosecution or abuse including sexual abuse directed at any person; or
- (2) the spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that person as a consequence of "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" to that person at whom any of the employment-related practices described in Paragraphs (a), (b), or (c) above is directed.

#### This exclusion applies:

- (1) whether the injury-causing event described in paragraphs (1) (a), (b), or (c) above occurs before employment, during employment or after employment of that person;
- (2) whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity; and
- (3) to any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury.

## **CANCELLATION**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

OUTPUT POLICY COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL INLAND MARINE COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL LIABILITY UMBRELLA COVERAGE PART

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY COVERAGE PART

CRIME AND FIDELITY COVERAGE PART

EMPLOYMENT-RELATED PRACTICES LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**EXCESS LIABILITY POLICY** 

FARM COVERAGE PART

FARM UMBRELLA LIABILITY POLICY

LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

## Paragraph A. 2. Cancellation of the COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS is deleted and replaced by the following:

- 2. We may cancel this policy by mailing or delivering to the first Named Insured written notice of cancellation at least:
  - a. 10 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for one or more of the following reasons:
    - (1) nonpayment of premium or failure to pay a premium when due:
    - (2) conviction of an insured of a crime arising out of acts increasing the hazard insured against;
    - (3) violation of any local fire, health, safety, building or construction regulation or ordinance which increases the hazard insured against under the policy;
    - (4) any willful or reckless act or omission by an insured increasing the hazard insured against;
    - (5) omission or concealment of fact relating to an insurance application, rating, claim or coverage under this policy;
    - (6) failure or refusal of an insured to:
      - (a) provide information necessary to confirm exposure or determine the policy premium; or
      - (b) comply with underwriting requirements;
    - (7) a substantial change in the risk covered by the policy;
    - (8) loss of reinsurance or substantial decrease in reinsurance;
    - (9) the cancellation is for all insureds under such policies for a given class of insureds; or
    - (10) any reason determined by the insurance commissioner.
  - **b.** 30 days before the effective date of cancellation if we cancel for any other reason.

## **EXCLUSION – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A – BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B – PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and SECTION I – COVERAGES, PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY. 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

This insurance does not apply to:

#### **Professional Services**

any "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of the rendering or failure to render any professional service. This includes but is not limited to:

- (1) legal, accounting or advertising services;
- (2) preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve maps, drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, change orders, designs or specifications;
- (3) inspection, supervision, quality control, architectural or engineering activities done by or for you on a project on which you serve as construction manager;
- (4) engineering services, including related supervisory or inspection services;
- (5) medical, surgical, dental, x-ray or nursing services, treatment, advice or instruction;
- (6) any health or therapeutic service, treatment, advice or instruction;
- (7) any service, treatment, advice or instruction for the purpose of appearance or skin enhancement, hair removal or replacement, or personal grooming or therapy;
- (8) any service, treatment, advice or instruction relating to physical fitness, including service, treatment, advice or instruction in connection with diet, cardiovascular fitness, bodybuilding or physical training programs;
- (9) optometry or optical or hearing aid services including the prescribing, preparation, fitting, demonstration or distribution of ophthalmic lenses and similar products or hearing aid devices;
- (10) body piercing or tattooing services including but not limited to the insertion of pigment, collagen or any other foreign substance into or under the skin;
- (11) services in the practice of pharmacy;
- (12) law enforcement or firefighting services; or
- (13) handling, embalming, disposal, burial, cremation or disinterment of dead bodies.

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage", or the offense which caused the "personal and advertising injury" involved the rendering of or failure to render any professional service.

## EXCLUSION – USL&H, JONES ACT OR OTHER MARITIME LAWS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following is added:

USL&H, Jones Act or Other Maritime Laws Exclusion

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of:

- (1) operations over navigable waters or offshore including but not limited to drilling and production platforms, pipelines, and vessels where coverage is provided by the U.S. Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation Act (USL&H), Merchant Marine Act ("Jones Act") or other maritime laws and any amendments to those laws:
- (2) actions including but not limited to subrogation involving U.S. Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation Act (USL&H), Merchant Marine Act ("Jones Act") or other maritime laws and any amendments to those laws; or
- (3) any obligation of the insured resulting from actions under the U.S. Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation Act (USL&H), Merchant Marine Act ("Jones Act") or other maritime laws and any amendments to those laws.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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## CROSS SUITS EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions in the Commercial General Liability Coverage Part; and SECTION I – COVERAGES, PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions in the Products/Completed Operations Liability Coverage Part are amended and the following added:

#### CROSS SUITS EXCLUSION

This insurance does not apply to any claim or "suit" for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" brought by any Named Insured against any other Named Insured.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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## BREACH OF CONTRACT EXCLUSION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions, f. Breach Of Contract is deleted and replaced by the following:

This insurance does not apply to damages directly or indirectly arising out of:

#### f. Breach Of Contract

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a breach of contract, including an implied contract to use another's advertising idea in your "advertisement".

## **EXCLUSION – LEAD**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

This insurance does not apply to:

#### L ead

- (1) "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, lead in any form.
- (2) "property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, lead in any form.
- (3) any damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, lead in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- (4) any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, lead in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion shall apply without regard to the source or sources of lead, or the basis of the insured's liability. This exclusion includes defects or negligence in design, construction or materials, or any other event, conduct or misconduct, which may have or is claimed to have precipitated, caused or acted jointly, concurrently or in any sequence with lead in any form in causing injury or damage.

## **EXCLUSION - ASBESTOS**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

**COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART** 

SECTION I — COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

This insurance does not apply to:

#### As bestos

- (1) "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, asbestos in any form.
- (2) "property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, asbestos in any form.
- (3) any damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, asbestos in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- (4) any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, asbestos in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion shall apply without regard to the source or sources of asbestos, or the basis of the insured's liability. This exclusion includes defects or negligence in design, construction or materials, or any other event, conduct or misconduct, which may have or is claimed to have precipitated, caused or acted jointly, concurrently or in any sequence with asbestos in any form in causing injury or damage.

## **EXCLUSION – LATEX**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

The policy is hereby amended to include the following additional exclusion:

#### LATEX EXCLUSION

This insurance does not apply to liability, arising directly or indirectly out of:

- a. The actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of latex or products or materials containing latex, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to any injury or damage:
- Any loss, cost or expenses arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of latex by any insured or by any other person or entity;
- c. Any supervision, instructions, recommendations, warnings, or advice given or which should have been given in connection with a. and b. above;
- d. Any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of latex or products or materials containing latex;
- e. Any injury or damage arising out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially, or allegedly containing latex; or
- f. Any injury or damage arising out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, "your product" or "your work", arising out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially, or allegedly containing latex.

## **EXCLUSION – UREA FORMALDEHYDE**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

The policy is hereby amended to include the following additional exclusion:

#### **Urea Formaldehyde Exclusion**

This insurance does not apply to, and we shall have no duty to defend any claims for, "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of:

- (1) the design, manufacture, construction, fabrication, preparation, distribution, sale, installation, application, maintenance, repair, remodeling, servicing, correction or replacement of any urea formaldehyde;
- (2) the actual, alleged or threatened inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, handling of, exposure to, existence of, or presence of urea formaldehyde or products or materials containing urea formaldehyde, regardless of whether any other cause, event, material or product contributed concurrently or in any sequence to any injury or damage;
- (3) any loss, cost or expenses arising directly or indirectly out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of urea formaldehyde by any insured or by any other person or entity;
- (4) any supervision, instructions, recommendations, warnings, or advice given or which should have been given in connection with (2) and (3) above;
- (5) any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of urea formaldehyde or products or materials containing urea formaldehyde;
- (6) the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially, or allegedly containing urea formaldehyde; or
- (7) the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, "your product" or "your work", arising directly or indirectly out of the loss of use of, or other unavailability of, any product or material actually, potentially or allegedly containing urea formaldehyde.

This exclusion does not apply to claims resulting from products manufactured by the Named Insured after April 1, 2009, meeting or exceeding the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association's adopted standards regarding urea formaldehyde, in effect at the time of manufacture of the product giving rise to the claim.

The Named Insured represents and warrants that it will meet or exceed the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association's newest adopted standards regarding urea formaldehyde in all products that it manufactures containing urea formaldehyde. This exclusion will apply in its entirety and in every aspect for claims determined, in our sole discretion, to have resulted from failure of the Named Insured to comply with this representation and warranty.

### **EXCLUSION – BENZENE**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SECTION I – COVERAGES, COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions and COVERAGE B PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY, 2. Exclusions are amended and the following added:

This insurance does not apply to:

#### Benzene

- (1) "bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected inhalation of, ingestion of, contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, benzene in any form.
- (2) "property damage" arising, in whole or in part, out of the actual, alleged, threatened or suspected contact with, exposure to, existence of, or presence of, benzene in any form.
- (3) any damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, benzene in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.
- (4) any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages, loss, cost or expense arising, in whole or in part, out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of, benzene in any form, by any insured or by any other person or entity.

This exclusion shall apply without regard to the source or sources of benzene, or the basis of the insured's liability. This exclusion includes defects or negligence in design, construction or materials, or any other event, conduct or misconduct, which may have or is claimed to have precipitated, caused or acted jointly, concurrently or in any sequence with benzene in any form in causing injury or damage.