



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VII
901 NORTH 5TH STREET
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS 66101

CERTIFICATION

I, Rich Franchini, Pesticide Investigator, State of Nebraska, hereby certify that on this 22nd day of April, 2006, I served upon The Velvet Poodle, L.L.C. by personally delivering the following documents to Heather Campbell, Registered Agent for The Velvet Poodle, L.L.C. under cover letter dated March 6, 2006:

- 1. Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, Docket No. FIFRA-7-2006-0124
2. Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance Action Orders, and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits, 64 Fed. Reg. 40138
3. July 2, 1990, Enforcement Response Policy for the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
4. FIFRA Civil Penalty Calculation Worksheet
5. SBREFA Fact Sheet
6. Notice of Securities and Exchange Commission Registrants' Duty to Disclose Environmental Legal Proceedings

Rich Franchini (signature)
Rich Franchini

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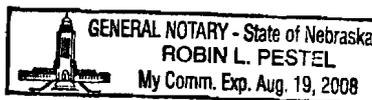
State of Nebraska )
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County of Cuming )

On this 24th day of April, 2006, Rich Franchini appears before me, a Notary Public, and swear to the truth and veracity of the contents of the above Certification. In testament of this fact, said Rich Franchini, affixed his signature to this affidavit in my presence.

Robin L. Pestel (signature)
Name

My Commission Expires:

8.19.2008



Notary Public