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Ms. Rafferty Jackson, Esq. VF Outdoor, Inc. 2011 Farallon Drive San Leandro, CA 94577

Re:

Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act

Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

Docket No.: FIFRA-09-2009-00 19

Dear Ms. Jackson:

Enclosed is a Complaint and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing concerning violations of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act ("FIFRA"). Specifically, the Complaint alleges that VF Outdoor, Inc. violated Section 12(a)(1)(A) of FIFRA by offering for sale unregistered pesticides.

You should be aware of the part of the Complaint entitled "Opportunity to Request a Hearing." You are required to respond to this Complaint within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Complaint. If you fail to file an Answer to this Complaint with the Regional Hearing Clerk within thirty (30) days of receipt, your failure shall constitute an admission of all facts alleged in the Complaint and a waiver of your right to a hearing. The proposed civil penalty shall become due and payable sixty (60) days after a final order is issued upon default.

Copies of the following rules and regulations are included for your information: (1) the Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties and (2) EPA's Enforcement Response Policy for the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, dated July 2, 1990.

If you have any questions, please contact (or have your attorney contact) Mr. David Kim, Assistant Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IX, ORC-2, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105. Mr. Kim can be reached by telephone at (415) 972-3882.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Taylor/

Associate Director for Agriculture
Communities and Ecosystems Division

Enclosures

Cc: Michael Boucher, Esq.

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