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California Proposition 65

Dear Valued Customer,

In 1986, California voters approved an initiative to address their growing concerns about exposure to toxic chemicals. That initiative became the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, better known by its original name of Proposition 65. Proposition 65 requires the State to publish a <u>list of chemicals</u> known to cause cancer or birth defects or other reproductive harm. This list, which must be updated at least once a year, has grown to include more than 900 chemicals since it was first published in 1987.

Proposition 65 requires businesses to notify Californians about significant amounts of chemicals in the products they purchase, in their homes or workplaces, or that are released into the environment. By providing this information, Proposition 65 enables Californians to make informed decisions about protecting themselves from exposure to these chemicals. Proposition 65 also prohibits California businesses from knowingly discharging significant amounts of listed chemicals into sources of drinking water.

Infrequently handled cords are exempt, based on the Proposition 65 wire and cable settlement taking the form of a Consent Judgment submitted to the court in San Francisco. It was agreed that Cords and Covered Products, which because of their size, weight or function, are infrequently handled (such as upon their installation in a setting where they are not typically plugged and unplugged). A list of over 200 of these types of infrequently handled products was created in Exhibit F of the Settlement Agreement. Some examples of infrequently handled cords: building wire, printer cables, riser/plenum cable, speaker wire, telecom data cable, telecom power cable, telephone power and data cords, thermostat cable, utility cable, signal cable, power control/ instrumentation/ cable, utility wire and cable, etc. Also exempt: cords that are internal components not normally accessible to consumer during ordinary use.

U.I. LAPP products may contain chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. However as they do meet exempt criteria, are therefore deemed exempt from the above mentioned referendum.

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