CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE FROM THE REGULATION FOR REDUCING VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND EMISSIONS FROM ANTIPERSPIRANTS AND DEODORANTS

At the direction of the Executive Officer of the Air Resources Board, a public hearing will be conducted at the time and place noted below to consider an application for a variance from the Regulation for Reducing Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Antiperspirants and Deodorants (the "antiperspirant and deodorant regulation;" title 17, California Code of Regulations, sections 94500-94506.5).

DATE: November 9, 1998

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Air Resources Board

2020 L Street

Lower Level, Board Hearing

Room

Sacramento, California 95814

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Section 94502 of the antiperspirant and deodorant regulation specifies volatile organic compound standards for antiperspirants and deodorants. These standards include a zero percent high volatility organic compound (HVOC) limit (by weight), and a ten percent medium volatility organic compound (MVOC) limit (by weight) for both aerosol antiperspirants and aerosol deodorants. The HVOC and MVOC limits for manufacturers operating under an approved compliance plan, as specified in section 94502(d), are effective January 1, 1999. In addition, section 94505 of the antiperspirant and deodorant regulation allows any person who cannot comply with the requirements of section 94502, because of extraordinary reasons beyond the person's reasonable control, to apply to the Executive Officer for a variance. The criteria and procedures for granting a variance are specified in section 94505.

The Cosmetics, Toiletry, and Fragrance Association (CTFA) has applied for a variance under section 94505 from the January 1, 1999, HVOC limits for the aerosol antiperspirant and aerosol deodorant products, on behalf of the applicants listed below:

469 N. Harrison St.

Princeton, NJ 08540

Carter-Wallace, Inc. Church and Dwight Co., Inc.

P.O. Box 1001 Half Acre Road

Cranbury, New Jersey 08512-0181

Scottsdale, Arizona 85254-2199

Chase Products Company Cosmair Cosmetics Corp.

19th and Gardner 285 Terminal Ave Broadview, Illinois 60153 Clark, NJ 07066

The Dial Corporation
The Proctor & Gamble Company
15101 North Scottsdale Road
Sharon Woods Technical Center

11511 Reed Hartman Highway Cincinnati, OH 45241-9974

The Gillette Company Unilever HPC-USA

One Gillette Park Boston, MA 02127-1096 Mary Kay, Inc. 1330 Regal Row Dallas, TX 75247 3100 Golf Road Rolling Meadows, IL 60008-4009

The public hearing to consider this variance application will be conducted in accordance with procedures set forth in section 94505 of the antiperspirant and deodorant regulation. At the hearing the applicants will be asked to present evidence demonstrating that the criteria for granting a variance have been met. Interested members of the public will be allowed a reasonable opportunity to testify at the hearing. All parties may, but need not be represented by counsel at the hearing. Subsequent to the hearing, the Executive Officer shall determine whether, under what conditions, and to what extent a variance is necessary and will be permitted.

Copies of the antiperspirant and deodorant regulation and variance application may be obtained from the Public Information Office, Air Resources Board, 2020 L Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 322-2990, at least 30 days prior to the scheduled hearing. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Ms. Genevieve A. Shiroma, Chief, Air Quality Measures Branch, Stationary Source Division, Air Resources Board, P.O. Box 2815, Sacramento, CA 95812, (916) 322-7072.

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Michael P. Kenny Executive Officer

Date: October 6, 1998