

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D C. 20580

Division & Advertising Practices



June 5,2001

MEMORANDUM

- TO: Public Records Office of the Secretary
- FROM: Sallie Schools Division of Advertising Practices
- **SUBJECT:** Rotational Health Warnings for Cigarettes File No. P854505

Please place the attached documents on the public record in the above-captioned matter.

- 1. December 25,2000 letter from Mohammed Babul, Bengal Tobacco to C. Lee Peeler.
- 2. January 3,2001 letter from C. Lee Peeler to Mohammed Babul, Bengal Tobacco.
- 3. October 11,2000 letter fiom Clara Weaver, Liggett Group to C. Lee Peeler.
- 4. January 4,2001 letter fkom C. Lee Peeler to Clara Weaver, Liggett Group.
- 5. January 5,2001 letter from Everett Gee, III, Esq. on behalf of S&M Brands to C. Lee Peeler.
- 6. January 8,2001 letter fkom C. Lee Peeler to Everett Gee, III, Esq. on behalf of S&M Brands.
- 7. January 16,2001 letter from Andrew Parish, Esq. on behalf of Tobacco Center to C. Lee Peeler.
- 8. January 17,2001 letter from C. Lee Peeler to Andrew Parish, Esq. on behalf of Tobacco Center.
- 9. January 16,2001 letter fkom Neal Beaton, Esq. on behalf of Japan Tobacco to C. Lee Peeler.

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- 10. January 19,2001 letter fiom C. Lee Peeler to Neal Beaton, Esq. on behalf of Japan Tobacco.
- 11. January 10,2001 letter from Thomas O'Connell, Sun Tobacco to C. Lee Peeler.
- 12. January 22,2001 letter from C. Lee Peeler to **Themas** O'Connell, **Sun** Tobacco.
- 13. January 18,2001 letter fiom **Kris** Hewitt, Carolina Tobacco to C. Lee Peeler.
- 14. January 22,2001 letter fiom C. Lee Peeler to **Kris** Hewitt, Carolina Tobacco.
- 15. January 23,2001 letter fiom Paul Embury, CanStar, to C. Lee Peeler.
- 16. January 24,2001 letter fiom C. Lee Peeler to Paul Embury, CanStar.
- 17. January 30,2001 letter fiom John Short, Southern Tobacco to Diana Winterson.
- 18. January 31,2001 letter fiom C. Lee Peeler to John Short, Southern Tobacco.
- 19. February 1,2001 letter fiom Robert Pless, Lane Limited to C. Lee Peeler.
- 20. February 7,2001 letter from C. Lee Peeler to Robert Pless, Lane Limited.
- 21. February 9,2001 letter from Gerardo Fernandez, Latin House Cigars, to C. Lee Peeler.
- 22. February 9,2001 letter **ficm** C. Lee Peeler to Gerardo Fernandez, Latin House Cigars.
- 23. February 2,2001 letter fiom Sylvia Bolotti, Esq. on behalf of Central America Tobacco Corp. to Sallie Schools.
- 24. February 13,2001 letter fiom C. Lee Peeler to Sylvia Bolotti, Esq. on behalf of Central America Tobacco Corp.
- 25. February 6,2001 letter fiom Natasha Barbre, North American Trading to FTC.
- 26. February 13,2001 letter fiom C. Lee Peeler to Natasha Barbre, North American Trading.
- 27. February 7,2001 letter from Paul Castronovo, Esq., Tabak, LLC to C. Lee Peeler.
- 28. February 15,2001 letter fiom C. Lee Peeler to Paul Castronovo, LLC.

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- **29.** February **13,2001** letter **fiom John** Short, **Southern** Tobacco to Diana Winterson.
- 30. February 15,2001 letter from C. Lee Peeler to John Short, Southern Tobacco.
- **31.** February **14,2001** letter from Andrew M. Parish, **Esq.** on behalf of Tobacco Center to C. Lee Peeler.
- **32.** February **16,2001** letter **from C**. Lee Peeler to Andrew M. Parish, Esq. on behalf of Tobacco Center.
- **33.** February **20,2001** letter from **Barry** Boren, **Esq.** on behalf of Leader Tobacco to C. Lee Peeler.
- 34. March 2,2001 letter from C. Lee Peeler to Barry Boren, Esq. on behalf of Leader Tobacco.
- 35. March 1,2001 letter from Le Hong, SE Trading Company to Michael Ostheimer
- *36.* March **8,2001** letter from **C.** Lee Peeler to Le Hong, **SE** Trading Company.
- 37. March 1,2001 letter fiom Mark Dunham, Premier Manufacturing to C. Lee Peeler.
- **38.** March **8,2001** letter from C. Lee Peeler to Mark Dunham, Premier Manufacturing.

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December 25th,2000

Mr. Lee Peeler Associate Director Federal Trade Commission 601 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Room No - 4002 Washington DC - 20580

Dear Sir,

Reference to your letter dated July 31st, 2000, your approval in connection with the Health Warning plan of the PARK Brand Cigarette **vvill** expire on 31st December, 2000.

It's our pleasure to inform you that Bengal Tobacco Corporation intend to continue to **inport** "PARK" Brand Cigarette **as** namely PARK Full Flavor, PARK Menthol, PARK Lite, PARK Menthol Lite, PARK Full Flavor 100, PARK Menthol 100 and PARK Lite 100, PARK Menthol Lite 100. Regarding the health warning label we do here by declare that on each and every brand style ,package and **carton**, we **will** continue to equalize the four health warning label for the ear 2001. Please be noted that there is no change in design and style of package and cartons **as** we submitted **to your** goodself earlier for approval. Our total **import** for the year 2000 was **carton** and anticipated sale for the year 2001 is **carton** sticks.

At the moment we don't have any plan for advertisement. When we decide in this regard we will communicate with you.

Your goodself is requested to approve our plan for the year 2001. Your early action in this regard will be highly appreciated.

Thanking and assuring you my best cooperation at all times.

Very Truly Yours, For Bengal Tobacco Corporation

Mohammed Babul. (President)



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

January 3,2001

Mr. Mohammed Babul Bengal Tobacco Corporation 2030 SW 71 Terrace, Bay # D-Office Davie, FL 33317

Dear Mr. Babul:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the **Commission")** has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, **15** U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed by Bengal Tobacco Corporation ("Bengal") on December 25,2000 calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on the packs and cartons of the Park brand of cigarettes.

Bengal's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging. The health warnings on the revised sample packaging submitted with your 2000 plan, and with your July 9,2000 and July 12,2000 letters, appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness. Bengal's plan for the Park brand is hereby approved. This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on January 2,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

If Bengal does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit a plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You are reminded that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

Lee Peeler

Associate Director

Knowingly and willfully making false statements to a federal government agency is a crime punishable by an fine and/or imprisonment. 18U.S.C. § 1001.



TELEFAX: (919) 683-9927

October 11,2000

VIA: FEDERAL EXPRESS

C. Lee Peeler, Assistant Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission Room 4005 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Peeler:

Pursuant to Section 4(c) of **the** Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act (the "Act"), Liggett Group Inc. hereby applies *for* simultaneous rotation of the four warnings required by the Act, to be implemented in accordance with Section 2(d) of the Liggett Group Inc. Label Statement Rotation Plan, as approved by the Federal Trade Commission (the "Commission") on September 19, 1985. This application is for the period beginning January 1,2001 and ending December 31, 2001, and it covers **all** Liggett brand styles. In support of this application, enclosed is the affidavit of Ronald **J.** Bemstein, President, with attachments.

As I am sure you can appreciate, the information contained in Exhibit "B" to Mr. Bernstein's affidavit is confidential and proprietary business information of Liggett. We ask that this information be kept confidential by the Commission, pursuant to its applicable rules and procedures.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

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Clara E. Weaver Legal Assistant

Encls.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DURHAM

AFFIDAVIT OF RONALD J. BERNSTEIN

Ronald J. Bernstein, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am President of Liggett Group Inc. ("Liggett"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

2. The information contained in this affidavit and in Exhibits "A" and "B" hereto was collected and recorded by certain Liggett employees at my direction and under my supervision.

3. On or about August 31, 1985, Liggett filed its "Label Statement Rotation Plan" (the "Liggett Rotation Plan"), pursuant to Section 4(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act (the "Act"). On or about September 19, 1985, the Federal Trade Commission approved the Liggett Rotation Plan.

4. Under Section 4(c)(2)A of the Act and Section 2(d) of the Liggett Rotation Plan, the Surgeon General's Warning on the packaging of a particular brand style may be rotated on a continuous basis **if (1)** the brand style had sales volume of less than one quarter of one percent of the total United States cigarette market in the last fiscal year and (2) more than one half of the brand styles manufactured by Liggett had less than one quarter of one percent of the total United States cigarette market in the last fiscal year. Liggett's last fiscal year ran from January **1**, **1999** to December **31**, **1999**.

5. Attached to this affidavit as Exhibit " A is a copy of a portion of The Maxwell Consumer Report for the calendar year **1999**. This report shows that cigarettes were sold in the United States during calendar year 1999. One quarter Accordingly, Liggett brand style cigarettes of one percent of lis ^I with less than units in sales in 1999 are eligible for continuous rotation.

Attached to this affidavit as Exhibit "B" is a list showing the unit sales of 6. each brand style manufactured and sold by Liggett in the United States during the fiscal year January 1 to December 31, 1999. Exhibit "B" shows that there is no brand style manufactured by Liggett during the **fiscal** year which had sales greater than one quarter of one percent of the total United States cigarette market.

7. By virtue of the foregoing, Liggett is eligible to apply for continuous rotation of the required label statements as provided in Section 2(d) of the Liggett Rotation Plan.

LIGGETT GROUP INC onald/J. 'Bernstein, President

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this <u>// *</u> day of October, 2000.

ra Alvina Notary Public

My commission expires September 29, 2005.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C.20580

Division of Advertising Practices

January 4,2001

Ms. **Clara** E. Weaver Legal Assistant Liggett Group, Inc. 100 Maple Lane Mebane, NC 27302

Dear Ms. Weaver:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the proposed plan filed by Liggett Group, Inc. ("Liggett") on October 11,2000calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on the cigarette packaging of the Always Save, Brand Marketing, Canyon, Class A, Covington, Eagle, Epic, Eve, Grand Prix, Kingsport, Liggett Select, Meridian, Montego, Omni, Perfect Blend, Picayune, Pyramid, Quality, Ralph's Grocery, Stater Bros., Shur Fine, Sincerely Yours, Smoker Friendly, Tourney, and Yours brands of cigarettes.

Liggett's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterlyrotation of the warnings on packaging. Liggett's plan for the Always Save, Brand Marketing, Canyon, Class A, Covington, Eagle, Epic, Eve, Grand **Prix**, Kingsport, Liggett Select, Meridian, Montego, Omni, Perfect Blend, Picayune, Pyramid, Quality, Ralph's Grocery, Stater Bros., Shur Fine, Sincerely Yours, Smoker Friendly, Tourney, and Yours brands of cigarettes is hereby approved.' This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on January 3,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the **plan**.²

Sincerely,

Č. Lee Peeler Associate Director

The warnings on the packaging of Yours Filter Lights and **Yours** Nonfilter brand styles are not sufficiently conspicuous, and therefore these brand styles are not approved. If Liggett should decide to sell the above-mentioned brand styles, Liggett should submit a supplemental plan covering these brand styles, along with revised packaging showing warnings of sufficient contrast.

² Knowingly and willfully making false statements to a federal government agency is a crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment. 18U.S.C. § 1001.



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Via Federal Express

Associate Director of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission FTC Satellite Building 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Room 4002 Washington, D.C. 20580

Re: <u>FTC Health Warning Rotation Plan for S&M Brands,</u> <u>Cigarettes and Tahoe Cigarettes</u>

To Whom It May Concern:

The undersigned represents S&M Brands, Inc., **a** Virginia corporation doing business **as** Bailey's Cigarettes and Tahoe Cigarettes. S&M Brands, Inc. started production on August 19, 1994, with solely the Bailey's brand. Since that time, S&M Brands, Inc. has filed its Advertising and Packaging Health Warning Plan with the FTC, including submitting its packages and advertising materials. This plan was first approved through December 31, 1995, by Associate Director C. Lee Peeler of the Division of Advertising Practices. S&M Brands, Inc. has obtained approval for each subsequent year. As a small, start-up manufacturer, under **our** reading of applicable law, S&M Brands, Inc. has qualified (and we believe still qualifies) to have a plan for the warnings on cigarette packages that would constitute the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on cigarette packaging. S&M Brands, Inc. will equalize the warnings on the packs and cartons for each brand style throughout the year.

The packaging materials have not changed for its Bailey's brand. S&M Brands, Inc., now produces a Tahoe brand. Enclosed are package and carton exemplars for Tahoe. I trust you will find the Tahoe brand likewise meets federal law as to conspicuousness of the warnings.

S&M Brands, Inc. will produce approximately control cartons of cigarettes for this calendar year 2000 (both brands). The best estimate for 2001 is that S&M Brands, Inc. will produce cartons of cigarettes (both brands). If this takes S&M Brands, Inc. outside of the exemption for the rotation plan, which I do not believe that it does, please let me know and we will amend this rotation plan to whatever your department and the law requires.



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As to advertising, as in previous years, S&M Brands, Inc. would like to maintain its rotation plan. We are adding the Tahoe brand to this plan and are rotating warnings according to the schedule attached. The warning applied to advertising depends on when the advertising materials are ordered. We have in prior years provided your department with a picture of an example of billboards and point of sale materials to show the FTC that S&M Brands, Inc. is meeting the conspicuous requirement on the health warnings. Please let me know if you need to see any of the advertising materials or packaging this year, which has remained consistent from last year. We are mindful of **our** responsibilities to the FTC and stand ready to cooperate fully. We have shipped to you under separate cover Tahoe packs and cartons.

Thank you so much for your attention to this matter. Please feel free to call the undersigned if you have any questions.

Yours very truly,

WOMBLECARLYLE SANDRIDGE& RICE, PLLC

Everett W. Gee III

EWG:eb

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Malcolm L. Bailey (w/encl.) Mr. Steven A. Bailey (w/encl.)

3 Rev. January S. 2001 S&M BRANDS, INC. D/B/A BAILEY'S CIGARETTES Route 3, Box 90 Keysville, Virginia 23947

ROTATION PLAN FOR CIGARETTE PACKAGES AND CARTONS

Since Bailey's qualifies under § 4(c)(2) of the Cigarette Act **as** a low volume manufacturer, it desires to display the four (4) required warning labels on the packs and cartons of each brand style of cigarettes an equal number of times within a twelve (12) month period.

S&M BRANDS, INC. D/B/A BAILEY'S CIGARETTES Route 3, Box 90 Keysville, Virginia 23947

<u>ROTATION PLAN FOR</u> <u>ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS</u>

Bailey's Brand

	Dancy S Drain
First Quarter	С
Second Quarter	D
Third Quarter	А
Fourth Quarter	В
	Tahoe Brand
First Quarter	В
Second Quarter	А
Third Quarter	D
Fourth Quarter	С

The warnings are **as** follows:

- A. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.
- B. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.
- C. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, **And** Low Birth Weight.
- D. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

Selected packaging samples fkom those submitted with the **plan**.



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Division of Advertising Practices

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON. D.C. 20580

January 8,2001

Everett W. Gee, III, Esq. Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice One Atlanta Center 1201 West Peachtree Street, Suite 3500 Atlanta, GA 30309

Dear Mr. Gee:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed on behalf of S&M Brands, Bailey's Cigarettes and Tahoe Cigarettes ("S&M") on January 5,2001, calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging of the Bailey's and Tahoe brands of cigarettes, and for quarterly rotation of the health warnings in advertising for the Tahoe brand.

I previously approved your January **5**, 1995 plan for the quarterly rotation of the four health warnings in advertising for the Bailey's brand. Your January 5,2001 plan calls for the expansion of your advertising plan to include the Tahoe brand. The extension of your advertising plan to include the Tahoe brand. Approval of the advertising plan assumes that the plan is implemented in good faith.

S&M's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging. The packaging of the Bailey's brand submitted with S&M's letter of December 9, 1998, and the packaging of the Tahoe brand submitted on December 28,2000 appear to comply with the size and conspicuousness requirements of the Cigarette Act. S&M's plan for the display of the health warnings on packaging of the Bailey's and Tahoe Brands is hereby approved. This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on January 7, 2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.¹

Finally, I wish to remind you that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely, Lee Peeler

Associate Director

¹ Knowingly and willfully making false statements to a federal government agency is a crime punishable by an fine and/or imprisonment. 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

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January 16,2001

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VIA FACSIMILE (202) 326-3259 IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUESTED

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room **4002** Washington, D.C. **20580**

Attn: Sallie Schools

Cigarette **Health** Warning Rotation Plan Submitted on Behalf of Tobacco Center, Inc. For Calendar **Year 2001** for Coronas and Palace Brand Cigarettes

Gentlemen:

Tobacco Center, Inc. hereby submits a Surgeon **General** Rotation Plan **as** required under the **Federal** Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act **of 1984 (15 U.S.C.§1331, et seq. (1998)), as** amended. John Alexander is the **Vice** President of the applicant, and the corporate address for the company is Tobacco Center, Inc., **6795** N.W. **87th** Avenue, **Miani**, Florida **33178.** The cigarettes covered by the proposed Plan are the following foreign manufactured Coronas and Palace brand style cigarettes, which include health warnings complying with the Surgeon General's warning **C. Læ** Peeler Associate Director Division **of** Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission January **16,2001** Page **2**

language **set** forth in the statute: Coronas Full-flavor Kings **Box**, Coronas Full-flavor Kings **Soft**, Coronas Full-flavor **100's** Box, Coronas Full-flavor **100's Soft**, Coronas Light **King Box**, Coronas Light King **Soft**, Coronas Ultra-Light 100's **Soft**, Coronas Light **100's Soft**, **Coronas** Ultra-Light Kings **Box**, **Coronas** Ultra-Light Kings **Soft**, Coronas Menthol Kings **Box**, Coronas Menthol Kings **Soft**, Coronas Menthol **100's Soft**, Coronas Menthol Lights Kings **Soft** and Coronas Menthol Lights **100's Soft**, Palace Full-flavor Kings **Box**, Palace Full-flavor Kings **Sor**, Palace Full-flavor 100's **Soft**, Palace Light King Box, Palace Light King **Soft**, Palace Light 100's **Soft**, Palace Ultra-Light Kings **Box**, Palace Menthol Kings **Box**, Palace Menthol Kings **Soft**, and Palace Menthol **100's** *Soft*.

The required warnings will be printed directly on the packs and **cartons** and in a **conspicuous** location **as** required under the Cigarette Labeling and Advertising **Act** ("CLAA"). The warnings will appear on the packs and cartons **exactly as** shown on the sample packs and **cartons** to be provided under separate cover.

The Company **vvill** rotate the Surgeon **General's** Health Warnings on a **quarterly basis** on the Coronas and Palace brand cigarettes using the following schedule:

Coronas:

First Quarter Warning: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.

Second Quarter Warning: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung *Cancer*, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate **Pregnancy**. **C.** Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission January **16,2001** Page 3

> Third Quarter Warning: **SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING:** Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in **Fetal Injury,** Premature **Birth** And Low Birth weight.

Fourth Quarter Warning: **SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING:** Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

Palace:

First Quarter Warning: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: ______ Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

Second Quarter Warning: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.

Third Quarter Warning: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Hert Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

Fourth Quarter Warning: **SURGEON GENERAL'S** WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal **Injury**, Premature Birth And Low **Birth** weight.

Tobacco Center, Inc. will not be advertising at this time. If the applicant chooses to

advertise, it will submit an advertising plan for approval prior to engaging in such activity.

We submit that the foregoing complies with the requirements set forth in the Federal

Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, as amended and request expedited approval of this

request. Records will be maintained at the corporate office evidencing compliance with this Plan.

Should this request conform to your requirements, we request that the letter evidencing

approval be faxed to the undersigned.

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission January 16,2001 Page 4

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted, ANDREW M. PARISH, P.A. Andrew M. Parish

AMP/smb

cc: John Alexander, Vice President Tobacco Center, Inc. Selected **packaging** samples fiom those submitted with the plan.







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SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

> CLASS A FILTER FILTER

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON. D.C. 20580

January 17,2001

Andrew M. Parish, Esq. Trade Centre South, Suite **930** 100 West Cypress Creek Road Fort Lauderdale, **FL 33309-2181**

Dear Mr. Parish:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed on behalf of Tobacco Center, Inc. ("Tobacco Center") on January 16,2001, calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging of certain styles of the Corona and Palace brands of cigarettes specified in the plan.

On September **5,2000**, I approved Tobacco Center's plan for advertising the Corona and Palace brands, however, advertisements submitted with Tobacco Center's letters of December **15,2000** did not comply with that plan or with the Cigarette Act. In your letter of January **16**, 2001 you now state that Tobacco Center will not be advertising.' If Tobacco Center intends to advertise in the future it must resubmit an advertising plan that complies with the Cigarette Act.

The health warnings on the sample packs and cartons **of** the Corona and Palace brands submitted with your letter of December **15,2000** appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness.² Your plan for the brand styles of Corona and Palace specified in your plan **has** been approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan. The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Knowingly and willfully making false statements to a federal government agency is a crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment. 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

² The packs of Corona Light **Box 100's** brand style do not meet the Act's requirements for conspicuousness, however, you have withdrawn this style from your plan. <u>This</u> approval does not pertain to the Corona Light **Box** 100 brand style.

Andrew M. Parish, Esq. January 17,2001 Page 2

You should also be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

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C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

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January 16,2001

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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. C. Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission Sixth and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20580

Re: Application Pursuant to Section 4(c)(2) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act. as amended

Dear Mr. Peeler:

On behalf of Japan Tobacco Inc. and its U.S. importer, Japan Tobacco International U.S.A., Inc., and others affiliates (collectively "Japan Tobacco"), we submit a revised application pursuant to Section 4(c)(2) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, as amended (the "Act") seeking approval, effective for the one-year period beginning January 1, 2001, for Japan Tobacco to continue to display the warning labels specified in Section 4(a)(1) of the Act on packages and cartons of cigarettes in the manner provided in Section 4(c)(2)(C) of the Act, as provided in paragraph 2(b) of the Label Statement Rotation Plan of Japan Tobacco submitted to the Federal Trade Commission on August 28,1985 (the "Plan"). as subsequently amended, and approved on October 11,1985 and **as** of January 1,

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1993, January **1**, **1994**, January **1**, **1995**, January **1**, **1996**, January **1**, **1997**, January **1**, **1998**, and January 1, **1999**, which approval was most recently renewed effective January 7, 2000 for the ensuing one-year period ended December 3**1**, **2000**.

We also submit herewith two copies of a further revised Amendment No. 5 to the Plan executed on behalf of Japan Tobacco which, upon approval by the Federal Trade Commission, would set forth the label statement rotation applicable to advertisements for brands of cigarettes for sale or distribution in the United States. Attached to such amendment is a further revised Schedule A to the Plan for such advertisements.

The above Amendment No. 5 no longer incorporates into Japan Tobacco's Plan the "Export A" brand styles, and is limited to brands and brand styles for which the Plan has been previously approved. The "Export A" brand styles, for which its own rotational warning application had been filed in previous years by RJR-Macdonald **Corp.** of Canada, which is now known as JTI-Macdonald **Corp.**, and is an indirect subsidiary of Japan Tobacco Inc., were incorporated into our applications dated November 21, 2000 and December **27,2000.** Ms. Sally Schools of your office requested samples of cartons (as well as the previously submitted packages) for the "Export A" brand styles. However, such cartons are not currently available for these brand styles (which are only imported into the U.S. infrequently and in small volumes) and Japan Tobacco is being prevented from importing its other brands due to lack of a currently effective Plan approval. Accordingly, Japan Tobacco has determined that it will seek to incorporate such brand styles into its Plan only at a later date when carton samples are available and imports are planned.

In support of Japan Tobacco's application for renewal of Federal Trade Commission approval of its simultaneous display plan for packages and cartons, we submit herewith a revised sworn affidavit of Mr. Thomas Hirshfield, President of Japan Tobacco International U.S.A., Inc., importer of the brands covered thereby, which affirms that the cigarettes sold by Japan Tobacco continue to comply with the two-tiered test in Section 4(c)(2) of the Act.

If you should have any questions in connection with this application, please call me at (212) 644-4010.

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Since Japan Tobacco has inventory which is being held up at Customs due to a lack of a currently effective Plan approval, we respectfully request your consideration on an expedited basis, and further request that, upon approval, a fax copy of the letter confirming such approval be sent to my attention at (212) 644-4051. **Thank** you for your continued cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

eal N. Beaton

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Thomas Hirshfield Mr. Hiroshi Kandori Bruno Duguay, Esq.

Amendment No. 5 to Label Statement Rotation Plan of Japan Tobacco Pursuant to Section 4(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act (as amended)

The Label Statement Rotation Plan of Japan Tobacco **as** submitted **to** the Federal Trade Commission on August **28**, **1985**, as previously amended, for each of the **warnings** labels to appear on the packages and cartons **of** each brand style **of** cigarettes an equal number of times during each calendar year and **as** approved by the Federal Trade Commission on October **11**, **1985** and effective as of January **1**, **1993**, January **1**, **1994**, January **1**, **1995**, January **1**, **1996**, January **1**, **1997**, January **1**, **1998** and January **1**, **1999** and on January **7**, 2000 (collectively the "Plan") is hereby, subject to approval by the Federal Trade Trade Commission, further amended as follows:

1. Schedule **A** to the Plan setting forth the label statement rotation applicable **to** advertisements is deleted in its entirety and is replaced by a revised Schedule **A** attached hereto for advertisements;

2. Packages and cartons for all brand styles are the same **as** previously submitted to and approved by the Federal Trade Commission; and

3. Except **as** amended hereby, the Plan (including the application for each of the warnings labels to appear on the packages and cartons of each brand style of cigarettes an equal number of times during each calendar year) shall remain in **full** force and effect and, except **as** so amended, is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Submitted this 3^{+d} day of January, 2001

Japan Tobacco International U.S.A., Inc.

By:

Much full President

Approved this ____ day of January, 2001

Federal Trade Commission

JAPAN TOBACCO

SCHEDULE A

LABEL STATEMENT ROTATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT PURPOSES (ONLY) BY BRAND STYLE AND QUARTER

	Brand A (Mild Seven)	Brand B (Cabin Mild)	Brand C (Seven Stars)	<u>Brand D</u> (Mild Seven Super Lights)	<u>Brand E</u> (Mild Seven Lights)	Brand F (Caster Mild)	<u>Brand G</u> (Wave Menthol)	Brand H (Wave)
1st Calendar Quarter	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1
2nd Calendar Quarter	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2
3rd Calendar Quarter	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3
4th Calendar Quarter	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement J	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4

Note: Rotation proceeds to 1st calendar quarter at the conclusion of fourth calendar quarter.
JAPAN TOBACCO

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(Continued)

LABEL STATEMENT ROTATION FOR ADVERTISEMENT PURPOSES (ONLY) BY BRAND STYLE AND QUARTER

No New Brand Styles

	<u>Brand I</u> (Wave Ultra Lights)	<u>Brand J</u> (Wave Lights)	<u>Brand K</u> (Wave 100)	<u>Brand L</u> (Wave Lights 100)	Brand M (Wave 100 Menthol)	Brand N (Wave Menthol Lights 100)	Brand O (Wave Lights Menthol)	Brand P (Wave Ultra Lights 100)
1st Calendar Quarter	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1
2nd Calendar Quarter	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement I	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2
3rd Calendar Quarter	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3
4th Calendar Quarter	Statement I	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4	Statement 1	Statement 2	Statement 3	Statement 4

Note: Rotation proceeds to 1st calendar quarter at the conclusion of **fourth** calendar quarter.

AFFIDAVIT OF JAPAN TOBACCO INTERNATIONAL U.S.A., INC. PURSUANT TO SECTION 4(c)(2)(A) OF THE FEDERAL CIGARETTE LABELING AND ADVERTISING ACT [15 U.S.C.§1333(c)(2)(A)]

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)) ss.: COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

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Thomas Hirshfield, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am President of Japan Tobacco International U.S.A., Inc. (collectively with its ultimate parent company, Japan Tobacco Inc. and all of Japan Tobacco Inc.'s direct and indirect subsidiaries, "Japan Tobacco") and make this affidavit on behalf of Japan Tobacco pursuant to Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, as amended (the "Act"), in support of the application of Japan Tobacco for Federal Trade Commission approval to display the warning labels specified in Section 4(a)(1) of the Act on packages and cartons of cigarettes manufactured by Japan Tobacco for the one-year period beginning January 1, 2001, as provided in paragraph 2(b) of the Label Statement Rotation Plan of Japan Tobacco submitted to the Federal Trade Commission on August 28, 1985 and as subsequently amended, and approved on October 11, 1985 and **as** of January 1, 1993, January 1, 1994, January 1, 1995, January 1, 1996, January 1, 1997, January 1, 1998, and January 1, 1999, which approval was most recently renewed on January 7,2000 effective for the one year period ending December 31,2000.

2. The total number of cigarettes of any brand style sold by Japan Tobacco in

the United States in the year ended December 31,2000, was less than

Tobacco manufactures accounted for less than one-fourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold in the United States during such year and (ii) more than one-half of the cigarettes

Document Number: 51582.1 January 3, 2001 3:09 PM manufactured by Japan Tobacco for sale in the United States are packaged into brand styles which meet the requirements of clause (i).

3. The total number of cigarettes of any brand style which we estimate in good faith will be sold by Japan Tobacco in the United States in the year ending December 31, 2001 will account for **less** than one-fourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold in the United States during such year and more than one-half of the cigarettes manufactured by Japan Tobacco for sales in the United States are packaged into brand styles which meet such requirement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name this <u>18</u> day of January, 2001.

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Thomas Hirshfield President

Sworn to before me this $\underline{(\mathcal{B}^{\textcircled{b}})}$ day of January, 2001.

Notary Public '





Division of Advertising Practices

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

January 19,2001

Neal N. Beaton, Esq. Gilbert, Segall and Young, LLP 430 Park Avenue New York, **NY** 10022-3592

Dear Mr. Beaton:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed on behalf of Japan Tobacco, Inc. and Japan Tobacco International U.S.A., Inc. (collectively "Japan Tobacco") on January 16,2001, calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on the packs and **cartons** of the Wave, Mild Seven, Seven Stars, Cabin Mild and Caster Mild brands of cigarettes, along with a revised supplemental affidavit dated January 18,2001.

Japan Tobacco's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging. The health warnings on the sample packaging submitted with your December 22, 1998 letter appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness. Japan Tobacco's plan for the Wave, Mild Seven, Seven **Stars**, Cabin Mild and Caster Mild brands is hereby approved. This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on January 18,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that **any** person who violates its provisions is guilty of **a** misdemeanor.

You are reminded that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list **of** the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

Knowingly and willfully making false statements to a federal government agency is a crime punishable by an fine and/or imprisonment. 18U.S.C. § 1001.



Manufacturer and Importer of Bronco Cigarettes

January 10, 2001

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director/ Division of Advertising Practices FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION FTC HEADQUARTERS SATELLITE BUILDING 601 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20580 Phone # 202-326-3344 Fax @202-326-3259

RE: Plan for Compliance with the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act. 15 U.S.C.

Dear Mr. Peeler,

This letter shall serve as formal notice to the Federal Trade Commission regarding SUN TOBACCO's "plan" for 2001 to Manufacture and Import the "BRONCO" line of cigarettes in hard pack form in the following three styles: 1) Full Flavor 2) Lights 3) Menthol.

In Compliance with Section 1333 (c) (2), SUN TOBACCO, choose to display the four Surgeon General Warnings an equal number of times during the calendar year 2001 on packs and cartons of each brand style. The company will ensure that all four warnings will appear exactly as shown on the sample packs and cartons submitted with SUN TOBACCO's Letter of April 18, 2000.

SUN TOBACCO will continue to maintain sufficient records to demonstrate compliance with this plan.

SUN TOBACCO'S 2000 sales did not **exceed** to sticks for any one brand style. We are not anticipating to exceed **sticks** for any one brand style for 2001 from the date of approval of this plan.

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Thomas O'Connell President Sun Tobacco



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C.20580

Division of Advertising Practices

January 22,2001

Mr. **Thomas** O'Connell President Sun Tobacco 1674NW 17* Avenue Miami, FL 33125

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed by **Sun** Tobacco dated January 10,2001 calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging of the Bronco brand of cigarettes.

Sun Tobacco's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging. The health wa ings on the sample packs and cartons of the Bronco brand submitted with your April 18,2000 letter appear **to** meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness. Sun Tobacco's plan for the Bronco brand of cigarettes has been approved. This approval is effective on the date of **this** letter and ends on January 21,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent its good faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of **a** misdemeanor.

You should also be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

and the C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

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CAROLINA TOBACCO COMPANY Seventh & Franklin 701 East Franklin Street Suite 1200 Richmond Virginia. 23219 (Liaison Office) Tele: 503 244 5313 Fax: 503 244 0550

January 18,2001

Mr. Michael Ostheimer Ms. Sallie Schools Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room 4001 Washington, D.C. 20580

RE: Carolina Tobacco Company's Surgeon General Rotation Plan for year 2001, as required under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act of 1964(15 USC 133I (1997), et seq).

Pursuant to our need for a Compliance Letter from the Federal Trade Commission, our **fim** hereby submits CAROLINA TOBACCO COMPANY's Surgeon General Rotation Plan as required under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and of 1964, (I 5 USC **1331** (1997), et seq.). The cigarettes covered by the proposed Plan will be manufactured in the country of Latvia, in the original manufacturer's packaging, which includes health warnings complying with the Surgeon General warning language set forth in the statute.

The brand name to be covered by this Plan is Roger which will be manufactured in (A) Full Flavor King Size Filter Box, 84mm, (B) King Size Filter Light Box, 84mm, (C) Full Flavor King Size Filter Menthol Box, 84mm,. (D) Full Flavor Filter Box, 100mm, (E) Light Filter Box, 100mm, (F) Ultra Light Filter Box, 100mm (G) Full Flavor Menthol Box, 100mm, and (F) Light Menthol Box, 100mm. A master case of cigarettes contains fifty (50) individual cartons, each carton in turn containing 10 packages of cigarettes, for a total of ten thousand (10,000) cigarettes per master case.

All Surgeon General's health warnings will appear exactly **as** shown on the ROGER sample packs and cartons submitted with our letter dated January 11,2001.

Carolina Tobacco Company submits that the number of cigarettes sold in the United States during the calendar year 2000 were a total for all brand styles of the sold in the sticks. Carolina Tobacco Company submits the number of cigarettes to be sold in the United States during the calendar year 2001 to be a total for all brand styles of no more than ______ cartons of 10 packs

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The second part of the test, brand packaging, meaning that more than one-half of the cigarettes manufactured or imported by such manufacturer or importer for sale in the United States are packaged into brand styles that meet the one-fourth of one percent rule set forth above, will also be met since all of the cigarettes imported by Carolina Tobacco will be packaged into brand style where the quantities of brand sales are below the one quarter of one percent requirement.

As a small importer by virtue of the information set forth above, and **as** classified under the Act, Carolina Tobacco Company submits **as** its Plan that the warnings specified in the 15 **USC** 1333 (a)(1)(1997) shall appear on the packs and cartons of each brand style of cigarettes, with respect to which the application is approved, **an** equal number of times within the calendar year.

Carolina Tobacco requests approval of the Plan Application to provide an Alternative **to** the quarterly rotation of the warnings on the packs and cartons. Individual packs and cartons will bear the original warnings, printed by the foreign manufacturer. The warning statement on the packages and cartons will be rotated to ensure that the four statutorily mandated warnings set forth in 15 USC 1333(a)(1) will be printed on each pack and carton by the manufacturer, for each brand style, in a manner equalizing the four mandatory warnings within the calendar year. This will ensure that the four warning statements will appear an equal number of times per year on both the packs and cartons of each brand, as required by stature and under the Plan.

We respectfully submit that the cigarettes imported by Carolina Tobacco Company will comply with the Alternative plan, insofar as all requirements set forth in Section 1333 will be met.

We understand and confirm that any person who plans to manufacture, package, or import for sale or distribution within the United States must **confirm** that each package must bear, in accordance with the requirements, one of the following warning statements:

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

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Carolina Tobacco Company's Advertising Plan: Carolina Tobacco Company does not advertise. At this time, Carolina Tobacco Company does not intend to print or supply any advertising materials for the "ROGER' Brand cigarettes. If in the future, Carolina Tobacco Company is requested and agrees to provide any advertising materials, we will submit an Advertising Plan to your organization for approval prior to doing so.

We submit that the foregoing complies with the requirements set forth in the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, and Carolina Tobacco Company respectfully requests expedited written acknowledgement of receiving this Plan and an approval letter issued to Carolina Tobacco Company by fax with the original sent to the address in the paragraph below.

Our office shall be responsible for marketing and sales of the Roger products **as** imported. Records regarding compliance shall be kept at the address indicated below. Therefore, please remit all documentation and communications to:

Kris Hewitt Carolina Tobacco Company 5620 S.W. Dover Lane Portland, Oregon, 97225 Tele: 503 244 5313, Fax: 503 244 0550

Sincerely,

Kris Héwitt

Vice President & CFO CAROLINA TOBACCO COMPANY

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Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the **plan.**







UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

January 22,2001

Ms. Kris Hewitt Carolina Tobacco Company 5620 SW Dover Lane Portland, OR 97225

Dear Ms. Hewitt:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed by Carolina Tobacco Company ("Carolina Tobacco") on January 18,2001, calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on the packs and cartons of the Roger brand of cigarettes.

Carolina Tobacco's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging. The warnings on the sample packs and cartons of the Roger brand submitted with your January 11,2001 letter appear to comply with the size and conspicuousness requirements of the Cigarette Act. **Your** letter states that Carolina Tobacco will take steps to assure that the four warnings specified in the Cigarette Act appear on the individual packs and cartons of each Roger brand style an equal number of times during the year. Carolina Tobacco's plan for the Roger brand is hereby approved. This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on January 21, 2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

If Carolina Tobacco does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit a plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You are reminded that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

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CanStar (U.S.A.), Inc.

4960 SW 72 Avenue, Suite 308, Miami, FL 33155 305666-3131 Fax: 305-666-1677 Email: canstar@bellsonth.net

January 23,2001

Mr. C. Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room 4004 Weshington D.C. 20580

Cigarette Health Warning Rotation Plan Submitted by CanStar USA, Inc.

Dear Mr. Peeler:

Onbehalf of our company, CanStar USA, Inc. ('Canstar') we submit our Surgeon General Rotation plan as required under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C 1331 (1997), et seq.), as amended. The cigarettes covered by the proposed Plan are cigarettes that will be manufactured outside the USA and are produced to our specifications and are complete with the health warnings that comply with the Surgeon General warning language set forth m the statute.

The cigarettes covered by this plan are: 'MAXXIM' BRAND-Maxxim full flavor 100mm soft; Maxxim lights 100mm soft; Maxxim ultra-light 100mm soft; Maxxim merthol 100mm soft; Maxxim light menthol 100mm soft. During the past two years, CanStar has imported to cartons and the maxter cases of cigarettes made outside the USA. We anticipate that the volume of cigarettes imported in 2001 will not exceed to and a two years CanStar has rot manufactured cigarettes each) for any single brand style. During the past two years CanStar has rot manufactured cigarettes m the USA and will not be manufacturing cigarettes in the USA during the next twelve month.

We respectfully submit that the cigarettes *imported* by CanStar qualify for the requested rotation plan insofar as all requirements set forth in section 1333 have been met. More specifically the one fourth of one percent requirement, meaning that the number of cigarettes of *each* brand *style* sold in the fiscal year of the manufacturer or importer preceding the submission of the application is less than one-fourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold m the United States, has been met as demonstrated by the quantity of cartons imported for sale. As a result, all of the brand styles qualify since all brand sales are below the one fourth of one percent requirement as set forth above.

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CanStar proposes a rotation plan of the US Surgeon General's Health Warning for the Maxxim brand of cigarettes imported into and distributed in the United States. Under this plan, all four Surgeon General's Health Warnings will be equalized for the packs and cartons of each brand style we import. CanStar will monitor the production and maintain a log to ensure that the health warnings will be produced in such a manner **so as** to result in equal rotation of the four health warnings **within** each production lot for the US market. In addition, we will monitor production and importation to ensure that over the year covered by this plan, we will employ **an** equal number of the health warnings for each brand style.

The health warnings will appear exactly **as** they do in the samples provided. CanStar will ensure that the cigarettes are manufactured to meet **all** US packaging requirements including the location **and** display of the US Surgeon General's Health Warning.

The four health warnings to be used in equal rotation on the packs and cartons are:

- 1. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious **Risks** to Your Health.
- 3. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heat Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.
- **3.** SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, **And** Low Birth Weight.
- 4. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

Since CanStar does not. and will not advertise the product to consumers, there is no **need** to submit an advertising Plan.

We submit that the foregoing complies with the requirements set forth in the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, **as** amended, and request expedited approval of **this** request. Should **this** request conform to your requirements, we request that **the** letter evidencing approval be faxed to the undersigned at the above fax number.

Should you require any additional information with respect to the foregoing, please contact the undersigned at **the** above Miami, Florida address.

Respectfully submitted, CanStar USA, Inc.

Paul **A.** Embury Director

c.c. Mr. Michael Ostheimer Attorney, Division of Advertising Practices

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Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL **TRADE** COMMISSION WASHINGTON. D.C.20580

Division of Advertising Practices

January 24,2001

Mr. Paul A. Embury, Director CarStar (U.S.A.), Inc. 4960 S W 72 Avenue, Ste. 308, Miami, FL 33155

Dear Mr. Embury:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed on behalf of **CarStar** (U.S.A.), Inc. ("Canstar") on January 23,2001 calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on the packaging of the full flavor 100mm soft, lights 100mm soft, ultra-light 100mm soft, menthol 100mm soft, and light menthol 100mm soft brand styles of the Maxxim brand of cigarettes.

CanStar's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging. The warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your January 16,2001 letter appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness. CanStar's plan for the full flavor 100mm **soft**, lights 100mm **soft**, ultra-light 100mm **soft**, menthol 100mm **soft**, and light menthol 100mm **soft** brand styles of the Maxxim brand is hereby approved. **This** approval is effective on the date of **this** letter and ends on January 23,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

If CanStar does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit a plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You should also be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette

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Mr. Paul A. Embury, Director January 24,2001 Page 2

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C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

Southern Tobacco, [

122 Caggiano Dr. S.C. 29341 Iel: 864) 9 194 F (864) 488-38(

January 30th, 2001

Ms. Diana Winterson Federal Trade Commission 601 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20580

Dear Ms. Winterson:

Southern Tobacco, Inc. located at 122 Caggiano Dr. in Gaffney, SC would like to submit the following plan for the Golden and Dynamic brands of cigarettes to comply with the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act for the year period from date of approval. We are applying for the alternative to the quarterly rotation plan. We qualify for the alternative plan based on our sales for the calendar year of 2000. During the calendar year of 2000 Southem Tobacco had sales that totaled approximately

For the packs and cartons of each brand style of Golden 84mm and 100mm (original,Light, Ultra Light, Menthol, and Light Menthol) and Dynamic 100mm (Full Flavor, Light, Ultra Light, Menthol, and Menthol Light) we will equally distribute the four Surgeon General Verrings during the one year period covered by this proposed plan. The health Warnings will appear exactly as they do on the samples of packs and cartons for the Dynamic brand submitted on January 22nd, 2001 and the sample packs and cartons for the Golden brand submitted on January 3rd, 2001.

Southern Tobacco will **also keep** records to demonstrate compliance with the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act.

Southern Tobacco **a**t this time will not be **advertising** either brand, if in the **future** we do advertise we will submit a plan **of** rotation.

Sincerely,

John Short

Selected packaging samples fkom those submitted with the plan.









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> Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING:







UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE **COMMISSION** WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

January 31,2001

Mr. John Short

Southem Tobacco, Inc. 122 Caggiano **Dr.** Gaffney, SC 29341

Dear Mr. Short:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") **has** delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, **15** U.S.C. **§§** 1331, et **seq**. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed on behalf of Southern Tobacco, Inc. ("Southern Tobacco") on January 30,2001 calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on the packaging of certain specified brand styles of the Golden and Dynamic brands of cigarettes.

Southern Tobacco's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging. The warnings on the packs and cartons submitted with your January 3, 2001 and January 22,2001 letters appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for *size* and conspicuousness. Southern Tobacco's plan for the Golden **84mm** and 100mm (Original, Light, **Ultra** Light, Menthol, and Light Menthol), and Dynamic 100mm (Full Flavor, Light, **Ultra** Light, Menthol, and Menthol Light) brand styles is hereby approved. This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on January 30,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

If Southern Tobacco does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit a plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You should also be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and **importers** annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

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C.Lee Peeler Associate Director

¹ Knowingly and willfully making false statements to a federal government agency is a crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment. 18U.S.C. § 1001.



LANE LIMITED

Manufacturers of Luxury Tobaccos Since 1890

February 1,2001

Mr. C. Lee Peeler Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission Suite 4002 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20580

Dear Mr. Peeler:

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Reference is made to Section 4 of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, as amended (Act), and to the Lane Limited Label Statement Rotation Plan (Plan) submitted to the FederalTrade Commission under date December 6,1999 pursuant to Section 4(c) of the Act.

Pursuant to Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act, Lane Limited hereby makes application. in accordance with the provisions of Section 2(d) of the Plan, to continue simultaneous rotation of the four health warnings set forth in Section 4(a)(1) of the Act on packages of the cigarette brands stated in the supporting Affidavit attached hereto. This application is for the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2001.

On the basis of this application and the attached supporting Affidavit, it is submitted that Lane Limited meets the requirements of Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

LANE LIMITED

Robert S. Plan

Robert S. Pless Vice President & General Counsel

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Attachment

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF

APPLICATION BY LANE LIMITED

FOR SIMULTANEOUS LABEL STATEMENT ROTATION

I, Robert S. Pless, being duly sworn, do hereby state as follows:

1. I am Vice President and General Counsel of the Applicant, Lane Limited, a cigarette importer and manufacturer with a label statement rotation plan approved by the Federal Trade Commission.

2. Lane Limited imports, manufactures and sells cigarettes the brand names of which are set forth below, with said cigarette brands being the same cigarette brands (with three deletions) previously imported, manufactured and sold in the domestic market of the United States of America by Tobacco Exporters International(USA) Ltd. (TEI), which was merged with and into Lane Limited on January 1,2000. The packaging for the cigarette brands previously approved by the Federal Trade Commission has not changed.

DUNHILL INTERNATIONAL Filter De Luxe DUNHILL INTERNATIONAL Lights DUNHILL INTERNATIONAL Menthol DUNHILL INTERNATIONAL Superior Mild DUNHILL Special Reserve DUNHILL Lights DUNHILL Menthol Lights CARTIER Venddme Lights CARTIER Venddme Menthol Lights CARTIER Venddme Ultra Lights

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CRAVEN "A" Standard Size CRAVEN "A" King Size Menthol GAULOISES Non-Filter GAULOISES Filter GAULOISES Blondes GAULOISES Lights GITANES Non-Filter GITANES Filter

3. This Affidavit is given in support of an Application by Lane Limited pursuant to Section (c)(2)(A) of the Act to continue, in accordance with Section 2(d) of the Plan, simultaneous rotation of the four health warning statements set forth in Section 4(a)(1) of the Act on packages of the cigarette brands set forth above.

4. The financial year of Lane Limited is a calendar year ending December

5. The total number of cigarettes sold in the domestic market of the United States of America during the twelve-month period ended December **31,1999**, as reported in the Maxwell Report, was **419.30** billion units.

6. The total number of cigarettes sold by TEI in the domestic market of the United States of America during the twelve-month period ended December 31,1999 was units, which represented only **With** of one percent of the total number of cigarettes sold in the domestic market of the United States of America during the same period.

Therefore, (i) the number of cigarettes of each brand style sold by TEI 7. and (ii) the total number of cigarettes sold by TEI during the twelve-month period ended December 31, 1999, are each less than one-fourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold in the domestic market of the United States of America during the same period.

During the calendar year ended December 31, 2000, Lane Limited sold 8. cigarettes and does not anticipate that volume to be equal to or in excess of one-fourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold in the domestic market of the United States of America during the same period.

During the calendar year ending December 31, 2001, Lane Limited 9. estimates that its domestic cigarette volume will approximate bunits: and Lane Limited does not expect that cigarette volume to be equal to or in excess of onefourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold in the domestic market of the United States of America during the same period.

DATED: February 1,2001

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Robert S. Plass Robert S. Pless

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF DEKALB

On this _ day of February, 2001, personally appeared before me, Robert S. Pless, being known to me to be the Vice President and General Counsel of Lane, Limited, who, being duly sworn by me, (i)stated that the facts set forth in the foregoing document are accurate and correct and (ii) subscribed his name to the aforesaid document.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON. D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

February 7,2001

Mr. Robert S. Pless, Vice President Lane Limited 2280 Mountain Industrial Blvd. Tucker, GA 30084

Dear Mr. Pless:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed on behalf of Lane Limited ("Lane") on February 1,2001 calling for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on the packaging of certain varieties of the Dunhill International, Dunhill, Cartier , Craven, St. Moritz, Gauloises, and Gitanes brands of cigarettes listed in your plan.

Lane's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation **of** the warnings on packaging. The warnings on the packs and cartons appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness. Lane's plan for the Dunhill International (Filter De Luxe, Lights, Menthol, and Superior Mild), Dunhill (Special Reserve, Lights, and Menthol Lights), Cartier (Vendome Lights, Vendome Menthol Lights, and Vendome **Ultra** Lights), Craven ("A" King Size and "A" Standard Size), Menthol, Gauloises (Non-Filter, Filter, Blondes, and Lights), and Gitanes (Non-filter and Filter) brand styles is hereby approved.' This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on February 6,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation **of** the plan? The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

You should also be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary **of** the Department of Health and Human Services a list **of** the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

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C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

¹ This approval is not for Gitanes Blondes or Gitanes Blondes Lights.

² Knowingly and willfully making false statements to **a** federal government agency is **a** crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment. **18** U.S.C. § 1001.

Gerardo Fernandez Latin House Cigars 201 Amador Watsonville Ca, 95076

Tel: 831-724-9028

Date: 2/9/01

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Mr. C. Lee Peeler,

My name is Gerardo Fernandez, sole proprietor of Latin House Cigars. My business is in the import of tobacco products, cigars and cigarettes from Mexico.

I am applying to the Federal Trade Commission for the approval of the quarterly rotation for the four Surgeon General's Warning statements on the cigarette packs of the following brands: DEL PRADO, FIESTA, RALEIGH.

The artwork for the cigarette packs of DEL PRADO, FIESTA, and RALEIGH brands for the $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$ quarter of 2001 were submitted on 12/18/00. Enclosed are sample cigarette packs for the 1" quarter of DEL PRADO, FIESTA. and RALEIGH brands. The sample packs and artwork show exactly where and how the Surgeon General's Warnings will appear on the packs of each of the cigarette brands that Latin House Cigars will be importing. The warning statements will be printed on the packs exactly **as** they appear in the sample packs **and** artwork. I will send sample packs to the Federal Trade Commission for the $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$ quarter when they are available.

My Product will comply with all Federal and State Laws and in this case it will carry the correct warning statements required by the Federal Trade Commission. My product has already been approved by the Department of ATF and The State Of California. I currently hold an Importer's Permit (CA-TI-81). Tobacco Products Distributor's License (CP ET 50-002584), Cigarette Distributor's License (CR ET 02-001717) and a Seller's Permit (SR GHD 97-746801).

My business will start-out very small. I will not have the means to advertise my product, so I will not apply for advertisement approval from the Federal Trade Commission at this time. If my business grows to a point where I can afford to advertise I will then apply for approval. I fully understand the FTC's procedure in applying for advertisement approval.

My business plan is to sell the product in two different areas: sell directly to stores **as** a cigarette distributor. sell at the flea markets **as** a retailer. My business will not have its own store

location it will be home-based. I will store the product (small quantities) and receive orders via Phone, FAX and Mail in my house. I will sell cigarettes by the individual packs only and not by the carton. The reason for this is the following, I must rework each individual cigarette pack to meet all the U.S. Customs and **FTC's** Requirements. The required statements that need to be on the cigarette packs are: Surgeon General's Warning, Product Name, Content in Package, Country of Origin and Importer's Name. This process completely destroys the carton wrapper and leaves me with individual packs.

Although, I will only be selling by the pack, I plan to have special prices for orders of ten or more packs so, in reality, to the purchaser it will be the same **as** buying by the carton because they'll get carton prices. If in the future I find a way to repackage the cigarette packs by the carton I will then apply for approval of carton size packages.

The rework of my product will be done in Mexico. I will rent a small warehouse where I will store and rework my product. I will have one or more employees help me with the rework. The rework involves replacing the outer wrapper of each individual cigarette pack with a new outer wrapper that will have all the required warnings and product information. I will also repackage each individual cigarette pack in its own protective cellophane bag. All this rework will be done manually until I can afford to purchase a cigarette packaging machine to automate the process.

I have created a quarterly warning rotation table to remind me of the warning rotation due dates. I will maintain sufficient records to demonstrate compliance with my plan.

Thank you,

Gerardo Fernandez

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QUARTERLY ROTATION TABLE									
CIGARETTE	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter					
BRAND	(Jan - Mar)	(Apr -June)	(July - Sept)	(Oct - Dec)					
DEL PRADO	Α	В	С	D					
FIESTA	В	С	D	A					
RALEIGH	С	D	А	В					

- Warning A SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.
- Warning B SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.
- Warning C SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And **Low** Birth Weight.
- Warning D SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the **plan**.








UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

February 9,2001

Mr. Gerardo Fernandez Latin House Cigars 201 Amador Watsonville, CA **95076**

Dear Mr. Fernandez:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the proposed plan filed on behalf of Latin House Cigars ("Tatin House") on February 9,2001 plan calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging of the Del Prado, Fiesta, and Raleigh *brands* of cigarettes.

The warnings on the **artwork** and sample packs of the Del Prado, Fiesta, and Raleigh brands submitted with your plan appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for **size** and conspicuousness. Latin House's plan for the Del Prado, Fiesta, and Raleigh brands of cigarettes has been approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its **good** faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' When actual packaging is developed for the **2nd** through **4th** quarters of **2001**, **Latin House** should submit samples to the Commission. The Cigarette Act provides that **any person** who violates its provisions is guilty **of** a misdemeanor.

If Latin House does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit a plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You should be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers **and** importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely, Jon leele

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

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BOLATTI & GRIFFITH

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February 2,2001

VIA TELECOPIER & AIRBORNE EXPRESS

Ms. Sallie Schools Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission 601 PennsylvaniaAvenue **NW** - Room 4002 Washington - DC 20580

Re: Jim Porter Brand cigarettes Labels and Proposed Label Rotation Plan

Dear Ms. Schools:

Pursuant to your instructions and the requirements of The Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1331 <u>et seq.</u> (the "Act") we submit on behalf of Central America Tobacco Corp. ("CAT")':

- (i) a revised rotation plan for display of warning statements on Jim Porter brand cigarette packages and cartons;²
- (ii) a revised warning statement size and placement plan for advertisements **d** Jim Porter

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¹ As anticipated in our prior correspondence, CAT, a licensed U.S. tobacco importer, will be the importer of record for the Jim Porter cigarettes (the "Products"). The Products will be manufactured in Uruguay by Compañía Industrial de Tabacos Monte Paz, S.A. ("Monte Paz") for resale in the U.S. under authority of the Jim Porter trademark owner, La Republicana, S.A.

² This is the same plan set forth in our December 27,2000 correspondence, except for the effective date of the plan which has been changed from January 1,2001, to February 1, 2001.

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brand cigarette packages and cartons;³ and

(iii) artistic renderings of revised Jim Porter cigarette packages incorporating your verbal observations to the layout (the distance between the warning statement and the **"Underage** Smoking Prohibited" label) in some of the package samples previously submitted for your review.

Warning Statement Rotation Plan Pursuant to § 4(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act

The Act provides for the placement of certain warning statements on packages and cartons of cigarettes for sale or distribution in the United States and in advertisements for cigarettes within the United States. CAT submits this Warning Statement Rotation Plan (the "Plan") to the Federal Trade Commission pursuant to Section 4 (c) of the Act.

The effective date of CAT's proposed Plan shall be **February1**st, 2001 (the "Effective Date"). The Product will be imported to the U.S. in six brand-styles:

- (i) Jim Porter King Size Full Flavor
- (ii) Jim Porter Full Flavor 100's
- (iii) Jim Porter King Size Lights
- (iv) Jim Porter Lights 100's
- (v) Jim Porter King Size Menthol
- (ví) Jim Porter Menthol 100's

I. Packaging.

A. Warning Statement Size and Location.

We enclose for your review and approval revised Jim Porter cigarette package artistic renderings incorporating your verbal observations to some of the samples previously submitted for your review. Actual revised samples of the enclosed artistic renderings will be submitted for your review shortly.

 $^{^3}$ This Plan has been revised to incorporate your comments during our last telephone conversation to Sections II A and B \pounds this letter.

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CAT intends to display each of the warning statements required by the FTC Memo on the Product's packages and cartons. In compliance with the Tariff Suspension and Trade Act of 2000, the warning statements shall be printed directly on the Product's packages and cartons.

B. Warning Statement Rotation Plan for Packages and Cartons by Quarter.

The following is CAT's proposed rotation plan for the warning statements to be printed on the Jim Porter cigarette packages and cartons. The Jim Porter brand includes all brand-styles described **above**:⁴

	First	Second	Third	Fourth
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
Jim Porter	А	В	С	D

Packages and cartons of all brand styles of the Jim Porter brand shall bear the label statement referenced above for the quarter in which such cigarettes are manufactured or packaged, regardless of the **date(s)** on which such cigarettes are sold or distributed in the U.S.

D. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

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⁴ All brand styles will display the same warning statement during each quarter. The letters used to identify the various warning statements are the same as those used at page 3 of the FTC Memorandum to Potential Manufacturers and Importers (the "FTC Memo"), namely:

A. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

B. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.

C. SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.

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C. Records of Compliance.

CAT will maintain monthly records of compliance with the proposed warning statement rotation plan indicating (i) the dates of manufacture or packaging of the Product, and (ii) the warning statement displayed in each case. These records will be available for inspection by your agency upon prior reasonable prior notice.

II. Advertising.

A. Advertising Warning Statement Size and Placement.

All advertisements in the United States shall include warning statements in print size consistent with the acetates (plastic overlays) contained at exhibits 1 through 14 of the FTC Memo for the size and category of advertisement indicated in the Memo's "Schedule for Warnings in Advertisements" (the 'Schedule"). which have been purchased by CAT from the authorized vendor referenced in the FTC Memo. All such warning statements shall be printed in black on white. CAT will use the same warning formats that were submitted with the plans of the five (5) leading U.S. cigarette manufacturers and will place the warnings as specified in those plans.

B. Advertising Warning Statement Rotation.

The advertisement warning label rotation shall be performed in accordance with the same schedule proposed for rotation of the cigarette package and carton labels at section I B herein.

Adequate records shall be maintained by CAT(i) identifying the name and date of the publication, (ii) identifying the size and category of the advertisement and the exhibit number of the acetate used to determine the size of the print used for the warning statement as designated in the FTC Memo Schedule, and (iii) maintaining a copy of the actual advertisement for purposes of viewing the actual placement and format of the warning labels.

C. Importer Contact Information.

We would appreciate that any notice in connection with the Jim Porter proposed warning statement rotation plans be directed to CAT at the following address, with a copy to our firm:

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> Mr. Charlie Toraño Central America Tobacco Corp. 7440 SW 50th Terrace Unit 106 Miami, Fla. 33155 Tel.: (305) 661-2707 Fax.: (305)661-2226

Please do not hesitate to contact me or my partner, Edward Griffith, if you require further information.

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Enclosures

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cc: Mr. Charlie Toraño (CAT)

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Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

February 13,2001

Sylvia L. Bolotti, Esq. Bolatti & Griffith **45** Broadway, Suite 2300 New York, **NY** 10006

Dear Ms. Bolotti:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the revised proposed plan filed on behalf of Central America Tobacco Corporation ("CAT") on February 2,2001, calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging and in advertising of the Jim Porter brand of cigarettes in the following six styles: Full King, Light King, Menthol King, Full loo's, Light loo's, and Menthol 100's.

Your plan for the rotation of the warnings in advertising of the Jim Porter brand of cigarettes has been approved. Approval of the plan assumes that the plan is implemented in good faith.

The warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your letters of December 27, 2000, February 5,2001, and February 9,2001, appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness.' CAT's plan for the specified brand styles of the Jim Porter brand has been approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

You should also be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

many cent C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

^I Although the warnings on some of the packaging submitted either contained errors in punctuation or were not sufficiently conspicuous, corrected packaging was submitted. This approval only pertains to packaging that meets the precise requirements of the Cigarette Act.

² Knowingly and willfully making false statements to a federal government agency is a crime punishable by an fine and/or imprisonment. 18U.S.C. § 1001.



February 6,2001

Federal Trade Commission Division of Advertising Practices 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20580 Attn: Sallie Schools

Re: North American Trading revised plan for rotational health warnings on import brands

Dear Ms. Schools,

On November 17th, 1999North American Trading received FTC approval for our quarterly health warning rotations on our **import** Image brand cigarettes. We would like at this time to supplement our **original** plan to include **a** second **import**, Golf Lights brand in the 100's **soft** pack style. The warnings are to appear exactly **as** shown on the packs and cartons, which were submitted for review in our **FTC** correspondence, dated **January** 8,2001. Quarterly rotations for the Golf Lights will be **as** follows:

First Quarter; 01/01 - 03/31

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.

Second Quarter;04/01 - 06/30

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

Third Quarfer; 07/01 - 09/30

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.

Fourth Quarfer; 10/01 - 12/31

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

North American Trading will maintain records for quarterly rotation demonstrating compliance with FTC requirements under the *Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act.* At this time North American Trading does not plan to advertise but should we choose to in the future we would submit an advertising plan for FTC approval. We understand that **only** upon approval can we advertise our brands of cigarettes.

Please contact our office at your earliest convenience if there are **any** questions or concerns regarding the supplemental request.

Respectfully,

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Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.



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200 CLASS A CIGARETTES EXCLUSIVELY IMPORTED BY NORTH AMERICAN TRADING INC. SAN DIEGO, CA 6192324300 MANUFACTURED IN ISRAEL





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SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

February 13,2001

Ms. Natasha Barbre North American Trading **861** Sixth Avenue Suite B-200 San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Ms. Barbre:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted **to** the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). On November 17, 1999, I approved a plan filed by North American Trading on October 25, 1999 calling for the quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on the packaging of the Image brand of cigarettes. In a letter dated February 6,2001, you propose to supplement North American Trading's plan to include Golf 100's soft pack cigarettes.

The warnings on the sample packs and cartons enclosed with your letter of January 8,2001 appear to meet the size and conspicuousness requirements of the Cigarette Act. North American Trading's plan for Golf 100'ssoft pack cigarettes is hereby approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

If North American Trading does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit **a** plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You are reminded that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture **of** their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

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C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

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February 7,2001

Mr. C. Lee Peeler, Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission **601** Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 4002, Washington, D.C. 20580

Re: Federal Trade Commission Plan on Warning Label Display Requirements

Dear Mr. Peeler:

Pursuant to the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, **15** U.S.C. § 1333*et sequentes* (hereinafter "the Act"), TABAK LLC. is submitting its revised quarterly rotation plan for the warnings required on cigarette packaging and advertising. **As** of January 2001, TABAK L.L.C. will be selling *one* (1) brand called "SHIRE Leaves".

I. Packaging

The Packaging shall consist of cigarette packs and cartons for two (2) brand styles. For review, **TABAK** is submitting packs and cartons for all brand styles showing the **first** quarter warning and pack's and carton's **artwork** for all brand styles showing the warning for the 2nd through 4th quarters. Each of the four health warnings will be printed onto the packaging materials, which are offered for sale, sold, or otherwise distributed to consumers, exactly as shown on the packs, cartons, and packaging artwork submitted on 6/22/00 and 2/1/01. The packs will be wrapped in cellophane at the point of sale.

The two (2) brand styles shall consist of the following:

- 1. 74 mm in length 10 cigarette packs filter
- 2. 74 mm in length 10 cigarette packs menthol. (filter)

The warning labels printed on the cigarette packaging **as** required by the Act will be rotated quarterly, **as** shown in the attached Schedule **A**, and such rotation shall be recorded by production documents, shipping documents and sales **data** referencing bar code designators.

The quarterly rotation of label statements shall be based on the date of manufacture, regardless of the date(s) on which cigarettes are sold or distributed in the United States. However, for any brand style of cigarettes, manufacturers may begin **using** packaging printed with the subsequent quarter's label statement up to fifteen (15) production **days** prior to the commencement of such quarter and continue using packaging bearing the prior quarter's label statement up to fifteen (15) production days after the end of such quarter.

Moreover, any packaging of cigarettes by the manufacturer's representative or agent at the wholesale or retail level may utilize packages bearing any of the label statements specified under the Act.

In addition, cigarette packaging produced in accordance with the Act, may be removed from storage or inventory in any manner that is consistent with customary business practices or with business considerations, unrelated to the quarterly rotation obligation imposed by the Act.

Finally, manufacturers, importers, and packagers shall not employ procedures deliberately designed to result in the early or prolonged use of a particular packaging label statement.

II. Advertising

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Advertising Warning Label Sue and Placement:

In advertising for its SHIRE Leaves brand, **TABAK** LL.C. will utilize the warning formats that were submitted with the plans of the five (5) leading U.S. cigarette manufacturers, and **TABAK** LLLC. will place the warnings as specified in that plan.

Advertising Warning Label Rotation:

The warning labels in advertising for **SHIRE** Leaves will be rotated quarterly as shown in Schedule B.

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The bill of lading, or invoice for advertising materials, shall list the specific health warning for that shipment, which shall serve as a written record of compliance for the quarterly rotation.

When actual packaging samples are developed, TABAK will send samples to the Federal Trade Commission.

If any further information or updates *are* needed, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Paul J. Castronovo, Attorney at Law

Corporate: P.O. Box 957616, Hoffman Estates, IL 60195-7616 🗰 Warehouse: 7670 First Place, Suite A, Oakwood, OH44146

SCHEDULE A

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SCHEDULE FOR PACKAGING QUARTERLY ROTATION OF WARNINGS for SHIRE Leaves Brand

Quarter	<u>Warnin</u> g
1 st Quarter (JanMar.)	#1
2 nd Quarter (AprJune)	# 2
3 rd Quarter (July-Sept.)	# 3
4" Quarter (OctDec.)	# 4

WARNINGS

- **#1:** SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy,
- **#2:** SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious **Risks** to Your Health.
- **#3**: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.
- #4: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

SCHEDULE B

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SCHEDULE FOR ADVERTISING QUARTERLY ROTATION OF WARNINGS for SHIRE Leaves Brand

Quarter	<u>Warning</u>
1 st Quarter (JanMar.)	# 1
2 nd Quarter (AprJune)	# 2
3 rd Quarter (July-Sept.)	# 3
4 th Quarter(OctDec.)	# 4

WARNINGS

- **#1:** SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.
- **#2:** SURGEONGENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious **Risks to Your** Health.
- #3: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.
- #4: SURGEONGENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

Selected packaging samples fiom those submitted with the plan.



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TABAK LLC Oakwood, OH



SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

February IS, 2001

Paul J. Castronovo, Esq. **TABAK** L.L.C. P.O. **Box** 957616 Hoffman Estates, IL 60195-7616

Dear Mr. Castronovo:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, **15** U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the proposed plan filed on behalf of **TABAK** L.L.C. (**"TABAK")** n February 7,2001 plan calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging and advertising of the Shire filter and Shire menthol filter brand styles of cigarettes.

Your plan for the rotation of the warnings in advertising has been approved. Approval of the plan assumes that the plan is implemented in good faith.

The warnings on the artwork and sample packs and cartons of the Shire brand submitted with your letters of June 22,2000 and February 7,2001 appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness. TABAK's plan for the Shire filter and Shire menthol filter brand styles of cigarettes has been approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' When actual packaging is developed showing warnings for the 2nd through 4th quarters of the year, **TABAK** should submit samples to the Commission. The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

You should be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

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122 Caggiano Dr. Gaffney, SC 29341 Tel: (864) 489-6194 Fax: (864) 488-3805



Southern Tobacco, Inc.

February 13,2001

Ms. Diana Winterson Federal Trade Commission 601 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, D.C. 20580

Dear Ms. Winterson:

Southern Tobacco, Inc. located in Gaffney, SC would like to supplement our plan to comply with the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act. Southern Tobacco will be adding Dynamic Kings (Full-Flavor, Light, ultra Light, Menthol, and Menthol Light) to our January 30,2001 plan that expires on January 30,2002. We will distribute the four Surgeon General Warnings equally on packs and cartons of these brand styles during the one year period beginning on the date this plan is a $p \in d$, and they will appear exactly as they do on the enclosed packs and cartons.

Sincerely,

" Short

John Short



Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the **plan**.



PREMIUM BLEND

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And May Complicate Pregnancy. Heart Disease, Emphysema, Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING:

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

February 15,2001

Mr. John Short Southern Tobacco, Inc. 122 Caggiano Dr. Gaffney, SC 29341

Dear Mr. Short:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). On January 31, 2001, the Commission approved Southern Tobacco, Inc.'s ("Southern Tobacco") January 30,2001 plan for the simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging of certain varieties of the Dynamic and Golden brands of cigarettes.

On February 13,2001, Southern Tobacco filed a supplement to expand its plan to include the full flavor, light, ultra light, menthol, and menthol light brand styles of the Dynamic Kings brand. The warnings on the packs and cartons submitted with your February 13,2001 letter appear to meet the size and conspicuousness requirements of the Cigarette Act. Southern Tobacco's supplement to its plan is hereby approved. This approval is effective on the date of this letter and ends on February 14,2002. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sincerely,

Associate Director

Knowingly and willfully making false statements **to** a federal government agency is a crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment. 18U.S.C. § 1001.

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> VIA FACSIMILE (202) 326-3259 IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUESTED

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission **601** Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room **4002** Washington, D.C. **20580**

Attn: Sallie Schools

Supplement to Tobacco Center, Inc.'s Quarterly Rotation Plan Adding Coronas Light Box **100's** Brand **Style** Cigarettes

Gentlemen:

Tobacco Center, Inc. hereby submits a Surgeon General Rotation Plan as required under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act of **1984 (15** U.S.C. **§1331, et seq. (1998)), as** amended. John Alexander is the Vice President of the applicant, and the corporate address for the company is Tobacco Center, Inc., **6795** N.W.87th Avenue, Miami, Florida **33178.** On January **17th**, **2001**, Tobacco Center, Inc. received approval for its Warning Label Rotation Plan for certain Coronas and Palace brand style cigarettes. At this time, Tobacco Center, Inc., would like **C.**Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission February **14,2001** Page **2**

to add Coronas Light Box 100's to its recently approved **Plan.** Revised packaging for this brand style was submitted on February **2,2001**. This brand style will include health warnings complying with the Surgeon General's warning language set forth in the CLAA statute. The required warnings will be printed directly on the packs and cartons and in a conspicuous location **as** required under the Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act ("CLAA"). **The** warnings will appear on the packs and cartons exactly **as** shown on the sample cartons and revised sample packs provided. Tobacco Center will continue to abide by the provisions of its Plan dated January **16**, **2001**, and approved by the FTC on January **17,2001**.

Tobacco Center, Inc. will not be advertising at this time. If the applicant chooses to advertise, it will submit an advertising plan for approval prior **to** engaging in such activity.

We submit that the foregoing complies with the requirements set forth in the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, **as** amended and request expedited approval of this request. Records will be maintained at the corporate **cffice** evidencing compliance with this Plan.

Should this request **conform** to your requirements, we request that the letter evidencing approval be **faxed to** the undersigned.

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission February 14,2001 Page 3

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted, ANDREW M. PARISH, P.A.

Andrew M. Parish

AMP/smb Enclosures cc: John Alexander, Vice President Tobacco Center, Inc. Selected **packaging** samples from those submitted with the **plan.**








UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON. D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

February 16,2001

Andrew M. Parish, Esq. Trade Centre South, Suite 930 100 West Cypress Creek Road Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309-21**81**

Dear Mr. Parish:

The **Federal** Trade Commission ("the Commission") **has** delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, **15** U.S.C. §§ **1331**, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). In a letter dated January **17,2001**, I approved a January **16,2001** plan filed on behalf of Tobacco Center, Inc. ("Tobacco Center") calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging of certain brand styles of Corona and Palace cigarettes.

On February **14,2001**, Tobacco Center filed a supplement to extend its plan to include the Corona Light **Box 100's** brand style. The warnings on the sample packs submitted with your February 2,2001 letter, and the sample cartons submitted with your December 15,2000 letter appear to meet the size and conspicuousness requirements of the Cigarette Act.' Tobacco Center's plan for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging of the Corona Light Box **100's** brand style has been approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation, and assumes that Tobacco Center will abide by its plan as set out in its January **16,2001** letter. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the **plan**.² The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sincerely,

C. Lee Peeler Associate Director

Although some of the warnings on the packs submitted were not sufficiently conspicuous, corrected samples were submitted. This approval pertains only to packaging that meets the requirements of the Cigarette Act.

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LAW OFFICES OF BARRY M. BOREN

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February 20,2001

Mr. C. Lee Peeler, Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room 4213 Washington, D.C. 20580

Attention: Ms. Sallie Schools

Surgeon General's Warning Rotation Plan for Leader Tobacco Co., Inc. For Fame Cigarettes

Dear Mr. Peeler:

Please be advised that we are the attorneys for an importer of tobacco products, Leader Tobacco Co., Inc. ("Leader"), a Florida corporation, with offices located at 4800 S.W. 51st Davie, Florida 33314, which wishes to file a Surgeon General's Warning Rotation Plan as required by the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act of 1964, as amended, ("Act") (15 U.S.C. §1331 et seq.) for a private label brand of cigarettes they wish to import into the United States. The contact person for the company will be its Managing Director, Andre Maman, 4800 S.W. 51st Davie, Florida 33314. This application is for private label cigarettes being imported under the name "Fame."

The brand style of cigarettes Leader intends to import are listed on Exhibit "A". Production samples for all of the packs and cartons of each brand style (one with each warning) are enclosed herein.

Even though Leader qualifies as a small importer/manufacturer as defined by the Act, Leader wishes to submit to the FTC a plan to rotate the warning statements as required by 15 U.S.C. The plan we wish to submit requires that Leader rotate quarterly, in an alternating sequence, each of the four warning statements which will appear on the packages and cartons **cf** the Fame brand cigarettes. Leader will begin with the warning "SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy." and will use this label during the first quarter (January 1st to March 31st). It will alternate labels on the first of each calendar quarter thereafter (i.e., April 1st, and July 1st and October 1st).

Mr. C. Lee Peeler, Associate Director Federal Trade Commission Page 2 February 20,2001

From January 1 to March 31st Leader will use the warning:

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

From April 1st to June 30th Leader will use the warning:

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.

From July Ist to September 30* Leader will use the warning:

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.

From Oct. Ist to

Leader will use the warning:

SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

The production samples enclosed herein for the packs and cartons **d** the Fame cigarettes show exactly where and how the Surgeon General's healthwarnings **will** appear on the individual packs and cartons Leader will be importing. These warning labels will be printed directly on the packs and cartons by the manufacturers in the place and in the manner indicated.

Leader understands that the FTC is charged with ensuring that Leader's Surgeon General's Health Warning Label Plan is complied with and, therefore, it agrees to maintain whatever records they have to demonstrate that they are in compliance with, and are properly implementing their plan.

Each pack and carton imported by Leader will have a country of origin placed on the pack or carton as required by 19 U.S.C. § 1304. Leader will ensure that the country of origin will not obscure, or otherwise interfere with, the Surgeon General's Warning in any way.

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Please be advised that, at this time, Leader does not advertise, and therefore, will not need to comply with the Act's requirements requiring the rotation of warning labels on advertising. If this should change, we will notify the FTC and modify our plan accordingly.

We believe this plan complies in **all** respects with the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, as amended, (15 U.S.C. \$1331 et seq.) including any modifications made by the Comprehensive Smoking Education Act of 1984 and the Nurses' Education Amendments of 1985. For this reason, we hereby request that you approve this plan as soon as possible.

Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely yours,

LAW-OFFICES OF BARRY M. BOREN

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LEADER TOBACCO CO.. INC. - FAME CIGARETTES EXHIBIT 'A'

Brand Style

Premium Blend Menthol Box Premium Blend Menthol 100's Soft Premium Blend Lights Box Premium Blend Lights **100's** Soft Premium Blend Full Flavor Box Premium Blend Full Flavor 100's Soft Selected **packaging** samples from those submitted with the plan.



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Made in the United Arab Emirates under the authority of G.B. Tobacco International Limited



SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.





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Division of Advertising Practices

March 2,2001

Barry M. Boren, Esq. Dadeland Towers 9200 South Dadeland Boulevard Suite 412 Miami, FL 33156

Dear Mr. Boren:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission")has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the proposed plan filed on behalf of Leader Tobacco Co., Inc. ("Leader") on February 20,2001 plan calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging of certain varieties of the Fame brand of cigarettes.

The warnings on the sample packs and cartons of the Fame brand submitted with **your** plan appear **to** comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness. Leader's plan for specified variations of the Fame brand of cigarettes (i.e. Premium Blend Menthol Box, Premium Blend Menthol 100's Soft, Premium Blend Lights Box, Premium Blend Lights 100's Soft, Premium Blend Full Flavor Box, and Premium Blend Full Flavor 100's Soft) has been approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

If Leader does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit **a** plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You should be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely, Lee Peeler

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幸新貿易公司 SE TRADING COMPANY, INC.

March 1,2001

Mr. Michael Ostheimer Federal Trade Commission Washington, DC 20580

Dear Michael,

On behalf of S E Trading Company Inc., we are submitting a Cigarette Health Warning Plan **as** required under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising **Act**, **15** U.S.C. && 1331, <u>**t**</u> seq. The cigarettes covered by the proposed plan are manufactured in China and **the** brand name is **YUNYAN**.

The warnings will be permanently imprinted on **the** pack **and carton as** shown enclosed samples.

We will have all four warnings permanently imprinted **on** the pack **and carton** according to the following quarterly schedule:

First Quarter: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

Second Quarter: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.

Third Quarter: SURGEON GENERAL'S **WARNING**: Quitting **Smoking Now** Greatly Reduces **Serious** Risks to **Your Health.**

Fourth Quarter: SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.

We will keep records to demonstrate compliance with **this** plan and we will not be advertising the cigarettes imported **under** this plan and therefore **is** not submitting a plan for **the** rotation of the health warning.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Yours Truly,

Le Hong - Secretary.

Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.







UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C.20580

Division of Advertising Practices

March 8,2001

Ms. Le Hong S.E. Trading Company, Inc. 21 **14** Senter Road Suite 17 San Jose, CA 95112

Dear Ms. Hong:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning display plans submitted to the Commission pursuant to Section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, <u>et seq</u>. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the proposed plan filed by SE Trading Company, Inc. ("SE Trading") on March 1,2001 calling for the quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on the packaging of the Regular ("Red") brand style of the YunYan brand of cigarettes.

The warnings on the sample packs and cartons enclosed with your plan appear to meet the size and conspicuousness requirements of the Cigarette Act. **SE** Trading's plan for the Regular ("Red") brand style of the YunYan brand is hereby approved. Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.' The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

If SE Trading does decide to advertise in the future, it must submit a plan detailing how it will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act with respect to display of the health warning statements in advertisements.

You should also be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

- service ----C. Lee Peeler

Associate Director

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PREMIER MANUFACTURING INCORPORATED

(formerly Premier Marketing, Inc.)

March 1,2001

C. Lee Peeler Federal Trade Commission Division of Advertising Practices 601 PennsylvaniaAve. N.W. Washington, D.C. 20580

Dear Mr. Peeler

Premier Manufacturing is submitting a Quarterly Rotation Plan as required under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act of 1984 (The Act). The cigarettes covered under this proposed plan are First Class Brand cigarettes.

There are fourteen (14) varieties of First Class. In 2000 our sales for First Class were statement of sticks. Our estimated sales for 2001 are sticks for First Class. I have attached a list of statistics for sales for each variety.

We are applying for the quarterly rotation plan whereby each of the four warnings will he rotated quarterly on packs and cartons of First Class Brand cigarettes, using the following schedule:

1st CLASS CIGARETTE PIAN

Jan-Mar	SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature Birth, And Low Birth Weight.
Apr-June	SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Cigarette Smoke Contains Carbon Monoxide.
July-Sept	SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Quitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduces Serious Risks to Your Health.
Oct-Dec	SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING: Smoking Causes Lung Cancer, Heart Disease, Emphysema, And May Complicate Pregnancy.

Premier Manufacturing also submits that all four (4) warnings shall appear exactly as they do on the enclosed packaging and artwork, with the revised colors and **capitalization/punctuation**.



PREMIER MANUFACTURING INCORPORATED

(formerlyPremier Marketing, Inc.)

We will submit pack and carton samples for all brand styles showing the second through fourth quarter warnings as soon as they become available. We submit the foregoing complies with the Act and request approval of this plan.

Sincerely, Manufacturing, Inc. Prer Mark Durham -

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PREMIER MANUFACTURING INCORPORATED

(formerly Premier Marketing, Inc)



Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.







UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL **TRADE COMMISSION** WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

March 8.2001

Mc. Mark Dunham, President Premier Manufacturing Incorporated 160 Chesterfield Industrial Blvd. Chesterfield, MO 63005

Dear Mr. Dunham:

The Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") has delegated to the Associate Director for Advertising Practices its authority to review cigarette health warning displayplans submitted to the Commission pursuant to section 1333(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331, et seq. ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed the proposed plan filed on behalf of Premier Manufacturing Incorporated ("Premier") on March 1,2001 calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging of certain varieties of the 1st Class brand of cigarettes.

The warnings on the artwork and sample packs and **cartons** of the 1st Class brand submitted with your plan appear to comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for size and conspicuousness.' Premier's plan has been approved for varieties of the 1st Class brand of cigarettes; full flavor kings **soft**, full flavor kings **box**, light kings **soft**, light kings **box**, menthol kings **soft**, ultra light kings, non-filter kings, full flavor loo's, light **loo's**, menthol **loo's**, and ultra light loo's? Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may **ask** for information demonstratingproper implementation of the plan.' When actual packaging is developed showing warnings for the 2nd through 4th quarters of the **year** for those brand styles for which Premier only sent **artwork**, Premier should submit samples to the Commission. The Cigaret⁺⁺ Act provides that any **person** who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

You should be aware that Section 1335a of the Cigarette Act requires that cigarette manufacturers and importers annually file with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services a list of the ingredients added to tobacco in the manufacture of their cigarettes.

Sincerely,

.Lee Peeler

Associate Director

^I Although the **warnings** on packs and cartons of some brand styles submitted contained typographical errors or were not sufficiently clear and conspicuous, **revised** packaging was submitted. This approval **pertains** only to the packaging that **meets** the requirements of the Cigarette Act.

² You did not submit packaging showing the 1^e quarter warning for the following brand styles; menthol kings **box**, light menthol kings, and light menthol **loo's.** Therefore, these brand styles **are** not approved

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