

United States of America FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

MEMORANDUM

- TO: Public Records Office of the Secretary
- FROM: Bonnie McGregor Division of Advertising Practices
- DATE: September 4, 2019
- SUBJECT: Rotational Health Warnings for Cigarettes File No. P854505

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

- 1. September 26, 2017 letter from Rhonda A. Anderson on behalf of Lorali, Inc. to Mary K. Engle.
- 2. October 4, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Rhonda A. Anderson on behalf of Lorali, Inc.
- 3. October 05, 2017 letter from Mary Najjar, Marketing Group USA, Inc. to Mary K. Engle.
- 4. October 16, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Mary Najjar, Marketing Group USA, Inc.
- 5. October 18, 2017 letter from Jennifer Straus, Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. to Mary K. Engle.
- 6. October 18, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Jennifer Straus, Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc.
- 7. October 24, 2017 letter from Terri Albright, Premier Manufacturing, Inc. to Mary K. Engle.
- 8. October 25, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Terri Albright, Premier Manufacturing, Inc.
- 9. October 5, 2017 letter from John R. Long, Liggett Group LLC to Mary K. Engle.

- 10. November 1, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to John R. Long, Liggett Group LLC.
- 11. November 1, 2017 letter from Kil Hong Hyun, KT& G USA Corporation to Mary K. Engle.
- 12. November 2, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Kil Hong Hyun, KT&G USA Corporation.
- 13. November 2, 2017 letter from Sarah Treptow, Ohserase Manufacturing, LLC to the Division of Advertising Practices.
- 14. November 3, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Sarah Treptow, Ohserase Manufacturing, LLC.
- 15. November 14, 2017 letter from Brendon Scott, Sherman's 1400 Broadway N.Y.C. LLC to Mary K. Engle.
- 16. November 16, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Brendon Scott, Sherman's 1400 Broadway NYC LLC.
- 17. November 28, 2017 letter from Karen E. Delaney, NASCO Products, LLC to Mary K. Engle.
- 18. November 28, 2017 letter from Mary K. Engle to Karen E. Delaney, NASCO Products, LLC.

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September 26, 2017

Sent Via Federal Express, Tracking No. 7703-4461-8940

Mary K. Engle, Associate Director Federal Trade Commission Division of Advertising Practices 600 New Jersey Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20580

Re:Importer:Lorali, Inc.Cigarette Brand:DirectorManufacturer:Compania Tabacalera Internacional, S.A.Health Warning Rotation Plan, Cigarette Labeling & Advertising Act, 15 USC § 1333

Dear Mrs. Engle:

In compliance with the Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, this letter shall serve as formal notice regarding Lorali, Inc.'s revised health warning plan. Lorali presently has a quarterly rotation plan for eight (8) styles of Director brand cigarettes, and wishes to revise that plan and only import the six (6) styles¹ "Director" brand of cigarettes described below. In addition, Lorali wishes to change its rotation plan from a quarterly rotation plan to an equalization plan. The manufacturer of Director brand cigarettes is Compania Tabacalera Internacional, S.A.. Mr. Paul Mendoza is the President of Lorali, Inc., whose mailing address is 1378 N.W. 78th Avenue, Doral, Florida 33126 and telephone number is 786-485-3179. This revised plan addresses both packaging and advertising materials of Director brand for the following styles bearing the UPC codes indicated below.

DIRECTOR BRAND STYLES	UPC CODE
Red 100s Box	0 19962 83904 7
Red King Box	0 19962 83804 0
Blue 100s Box	0 19962 83944 3
Blue King Box	0 19962 83844 6
Green 100s Box	0 19962 83924 5
Green King Box	0 19962 83824 8

Further, Lorali hereby withdraws its rotation plan for Poker brand cigarettes.

In compliance with Section 1333(c)(2), Lorali, Inc.. proposes to display the four Surgeon General Warnings an equal number of times on packs and cartons for each brand style of the

¹ The company's prior plan was for 8 Director brand styles.

"Director" Brand of cigarettes during a 12-month period, beginning on the date of the Commission's approval. Lorali will accomplish an equalized display by requiring the manufacturer to print all four warnings for all brand styles at the same time. Lorali, Inc. qualifies for the label rotation plan described in Section 1333(c)(2)(C), because in the 12-month period preceding this submission and the entire 2016 calendar year, Lorali did not sell cigarettes in the United States.

Lorali, Inc. does not currently import into the United States any other brand of cigarettes, and the manufacturer does not cause any other brand to be imported into the United States. The company will ensure that all four warnings will appear exactly as shown on the packs and cartons previously submitted on September 6, 2017. In addition, the company will keep records demonstrating compliance with this plan.

The company will advertise these brands to consumers using point of sale (POS) posters. For their advertising, the companies will use the warning formats that were submitted with the 1985 plans of the five leading U.S. cigarette manufacturers and will place the warnings as specified in those plans. The size of the warnings shall be proportionate to those formats. The largest size advertising we will use is 695 square inches, and Lorali will use the acetates submitted for the Poker brand cigarettes on May 18, 2011 for advertisements up to 470 square inches and the acetates enclosed with this submission for advertisements of 695 square inches, which are from Exhibit 6 from the Federal Trade Commission's web site for the Schedule of Warnings. The Importer does not intend to advertise on the internet.

Enclosed with our submission of September 6, 2017 for your review was actual packaging samples of six (6) Director brand styles listed above displaying the following Surgeon General's Warnings:

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

With regard to the POS posters, Lorali, Inc. proposes to rotate the warnings quarterly for the Director brand POS in accordance with the following schedule:

DIRECTOR	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
BRAND	Jan. to March	April to June	July to Sept.	Oct. to Dec.
	Warning A	Warning B	Warning C	Warning D

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Please advise if the proposed rotation plan and labeling meets with your Office's approval.

Very truly yours,

RAA/mr Enclosure: Exhibit 6 cc: Bonnie McGregor (via email, <u>bmcgregor@ftc.gov</u>) Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.



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





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Division of Advertising Practices United States of America FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20580

October 4, 2017

Rhonda A. Anderson, P.A. 2655 LeJeune Road Suite 540 Coral Gables, Florida 33134

Dear Ms. Anderson:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed on behalf of Lorali, Inc. ("Lorali") on September 26, 2017 calling for: (1) quarterly rotation of the four health warnings in point-of-sale advertising up to six hundred and ninety-five square inches in size for the Director brand; and (2) simultaneous display (*i.e.*, the alternative to quarterly rotation) of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the Director brand of cigarettes.

Lorali's plan for rotation of the warnings in the aforementioned advertising for the Director brand of cigarettes is hereby approved. Approval of the plan assumes that the plan is implemented in good faith.

Lorali's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging, and the warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your letter dated September 6, 2017 appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act in force as of the date of this letter for size and conspicuousness.¹

Accordingly, Lorali's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging is hereby approved for the following six Box varieties of the Director brand: Red (King and 100's), Blue (King and 100's), and Green (King and 100's). This approval of Lorali's plan for the display of the four health warnings on packaging is effective on the date of this letter and runs through October 3, 2018, or until the authority to approve

¹ Lorali stated in its September 26, 2017 letter that the four health warnings will appear exactly as shown on the sample packs and cartons submitted on this date.

Rhonda A. Anderson, P.A. October 4, 2017 Page 2

cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first.

Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. 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.

Please note that this letter only approves Lorali's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22, 2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings in advertising and on packaging for Lorali's cigarettes. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for Lorali's cigarettes. Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of Lorali's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

Finally, please note that Section 802 of the Tariff Suspension and Trade Act of 2000 prohibits the importation of cigarettes unless at the time of entry the importer presents a sworn statement signed by the original cigarette manufacturer stating that the manufacturer has submitted and will continue to submit the list of ingredients to FDA.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Connor Sands at (202) 326-3343.

Very truly yours,

Engle

Mary K. Engle Associate Director

 $^{^2}$ 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.

MARKETING GROUP USA INC.

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October 05, 2017

Ms. Mary K. Engle Federal Trade Commission, Division of Advertising Practices, ATTN: Ms. Bonnie McGregor 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Mail Drop CC-10528 Washington, D.C. 20580

RE: Annual Extension for the Approved Cigarette Warning Equalization Plan,

Dear Ms. Engle;

This letter is being submitted by Marketing Group USA, INC, for the extension of the approval of the Surgeon General Warning Equalization Plan for the display of the four health warnings on packaging of the New York New York cigarette brand.

The initial approval was issued on January 27, 2009 valid to January 26, 2010.

A subsequent extension was granted on April 01, 2010 valid to March 31, 2011 for Full Flavor hard pack (Kings and 100's), Menthol hard pack (Kings and 100's), and Non Filter Kings soft pack.

On September 28, 2010, an application to approve new packaging to comply with The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act (FSPTCA) was submitted.

New packaging was submitted on August 05, 2010 as follows:

Red Box 100 Size, formerly Full Flavor 100's Red Box King Size, formerly Full Flavor Kings

Gold Box 100 Size, formerly Lights Gold Box King Size, formerly Lights Silver Box 100 Size, formerly Ultra Lights

Menthol Box 100 Size Menthol Box King Size Menthol Gold Box, formerly Menthol Light

Non-Filter Box King Size, formerly Non-Filter Soft Pack

That application for the change of brand style names was approved on September 30, 2010.

A subsequent plan extension was approved on October 31, 2011, valid to September 21, 2012.

A subsequent plan extension was approved on August 28, 2012, valid to August 27, 2013.

A subsequent plan extension was approved on August 28, 2013, valid to August 27, 2014.

A subsequent plan extension was approved on August 21, 2014, valid to August 20, 2015.

A subsequent plan extension was approved on August 27, 2015, valid to August 26, 2016.

A subsequent plan extension was approved on August 25, 2016, valid to August 26, 2017.

Through the date of this application, the Surgeon General Warnings have been equalized on our packaging for the nine brand styles of New York New York Brand cigarettes.

The New York New York brand will continue to be manufactured in the United States by our contract manufacturer Joseph M. Anderson d/b/a Smokin Joes for Marketing Group USA, Inc. Upon approval of this extension, the contract manufacturer will continue to manufacture these cigarettes under the authority of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (Manufacturer of Tobacco Products License TP-NY-168).

Marketing Group USA, Inc. does not import cigarettes.

New York New York brand cigarettes will be manufactured in a variety of styles. The following varieties of New York New York cigarettes are the only brand styles of cigarettes that we manufacture and will be manufactured in accordance with both FTC and FSPTCA rules and regulations:

Red Box King Size, Red Box 100 Size Gold Box King Size, Gold Box 100 Size Silver Box 100 Size Menthol Box King Size, Menthol Box 100 Size Non-filter Box King Size

These cigarettes will be packaged in 200 count cartons ("Outer Cartons"). Each Outer Carton will contain 10 (10) packs ("Pack") of twenty (20) cigarettes each pack. The warnings will appear exactly as they do on the actual pack labels and cartons submitted by our contract manufacturer on September 08, 2017.

Marketing Group USA Inc's United States stick sales for the period January 01, 2016 to December 31, 2016 were

Marketing Group USA Inc's United States stick sales for the period January 01, 2017 to August 01, 2017, were

Marketing Group USA Inc. uses the calendar year as the fiscal year.

The breakdown of the number of stick sales are indicated in two graphs attached as Exhibit 1.

Also, no sticks were manufactured for export for the period August 25, 2016 to August 26, 2017.

United States sales estimates for the next one year period for the varieties of New York New York brand styles listed above are provided in Exhibit 2. Marketing Group USA, Inc. does not anticipate that the total of all brand styles of its cigarettes will exceed sticks in sales for the one year period to be covered by this plan.

Upon approval of the extension, the four cigarette health warnings will appear on the packs and cartons of each of the brand styles listed above an equal number of times for the one year period beginning on the date of approval of this plan. To ensure the cigarette warnings appear on each of the above listed brand styles an equal number of times throughout the plan year, raw materials packaging inventory will be stored and loaded into packaging machines alternating the four health warnings equally.

Marketing Group USA will maintain compliance with the September 28, 2010 Plan for point of sale advertising for the New York New York Brand, and with the September 29, 2011 Plan for the internet advertising for the New York new York Brand

Marketing Group USA, Inc. is aware of the requirements set forth in the Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act and the company's efforts are always to be fully compliant with the Act. Marketing Group USA, Inc. will maintain records of compliance with the approved plan.

Thank you in advance for your kind attention to this important request for extension. If there are any questions or concerns regarding these plans, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mary Majjar Mary Najjar

President



EXHIBIT#4

EXHIBIT 2

	Total Estimated Stick Sales August 01, 2017 to July 31, 20
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NYNY Red King Size Box	
NYNY Gold 100 Size Box	
NYNY Gold King Size Box	
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NYNY Menthol King Size Box	
NYNY Menthol Gold 100 Size Box	
NYNY Silver 100 Size Box	
NYNY Non-Filter King Size Box	

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Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.







UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Federal Trade Commission Washington, D.C. 20580

Division of Advertising Practices

October 16, 2017

Ms. Mary Najjar Marketing Group USA, Inc. 2801 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 304 San Diego, CA 92108

Dear Ms. Najjar:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed by Marketing Group USA, Inc. ("Marketing Group") dated October 5, 2017, calling for simultaneous display (*i.e.*, the alternative to quarterly rotation) of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the "New York New York" brand of cigarettes.

Marketing Group's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging, and the warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted September 8, 2017 appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act in force as of the date of this letter for size and conspicuousness.¹ Accordingly, Marketing Group's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging is hereby approved for the following nine box varieties of the New York New York brand: Red (Kings and 100's), Gold (Kings and 100's), Silver 100's, Menthol (Kings and 100's), Menthol Gold 100's, and Non-Filter Kings.

Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. 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.

Please note that this letter only approves Marketing Group's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22,

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.

¹ Marketing Group stated in its October 5, 2017 letter that the four health warnings will appear exactly as shown on the packs and cartons submitted on September 8, 2017.

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2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings on Marketing Group's packaging. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for Marketing Group's cigarettes. Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of Marketing Group's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

This approval is effective on the date of this letter and runs through October 15, 2018, or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact William Ducklow at (202) 326-2407.

Very truly yours,

Mary K. Findle

Mary K. Bogle Associate Director



Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. 636 US Hwy 27 N, PO Box 98 Cynthiana, KY 41031

October 18, 2017

Ms. Mary K. Engle Associate Director Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580

RE: Cigarette Health Warning Plan

Dear Madam:

Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. is a cigarette manufacturer (TP-KY-45) located in Cynthiana, Kentucky. We are submitting this plan to you explaining how we will comply with the health warning display requirements.

Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. owns and manufactures only the brands "Kentucky's Best", "VB Made in the USA", and "Baron American Blend". This is a consolidated plan for all three brands. Please see the attachment to this letter for the brands listings. We do not import any cigarettes.

I. Packaging

According to Section 1333(c)(2), we would like permission to display the four warnings an equal number of times during the year (rather than rotating the warnings quarterly) since our company's annual sales for all brands (Kentucky's Best, VB Made in the USA, and Baron American Blend) are less than one-fourth of one percent of all the cigarettes sold in the United States. We will equalize the four warnings on the packs and cartons of each brand style that we manufacture for the one-year period beginning on the date of approval of this plan. Equalization is achieved by the packaging vendor who will print all four warnings in equal numbers on each printed sheet of packaging for all cartons and packs so that when sheets are cut, the warnings will be equalized on cartons and packs for each brand style. The warnings will appear exactly as shown on the pack and carton samples submitted with our submissions of October 3, 2017 and October 17, 2017.

The sales volumes in cigarettes for each brand for fiscal year 2016 were as follows:

Kentucky's Best VB Made in the USA Baron American Blend



Anticipated sales volumes in cigarettes for each brand for fiscal year 2017 are as follows:

Kentucky's Best VB Made in the USA Baron American Blend



II. Advertisements (other than outdoor billboard advertisements)

Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana Inc. continues to be in compliance with the advertising plans approved by the FTC on November 18, 2003 and April 18, 2005 for Kentucky's Best, March 25, 2005 for VB Made in the USA and April 27, 2005 for Baron American Blend.

Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. will maintain sufficient records to demonstrate compliance with this plan.

If any further information is required, please call us at 1-866-832-7637 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM EST. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer Straus Vice President Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc.

Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. List of Brand Family Styles

Kentucky's Best

Red King Soft Pack Gold King Soft Pack Red King Hard Pack Gold King Hard Pack Silver King Hard Pack Menthol King Hard Pack Green King Hard Pack Non-Filter King Soft Pack Red 100 Soft Pack Gold 100 Soft Pack Silver 100 Soft Pack Red 100 Hard Pack Gold 100 Hard Pack Silver 100 Hard Pack Menthol 100 Hard Pack Green 100 Hard Pack

VB Made in the USA

Red King Hard Pack Gold King Hard Pack Menthol King Hard Pack Non-Filter King Soft Pack Red 100 Hard Pack Gold 100 Hard Pack Blue 100 Hard Pack Menthol 100 Hard Pack Green 100 Hard Pack

Baron American Blend

Red King Hard Pack Blue King Hard Pack Menthol King Hard Pack Non-Filter King Soft Pack Red 100 Hard Pack Blue 100 Hard Pack Silver 100 Hard Pack Menthol 100 Hard Pack Green 100 Hard Pack Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.







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October 18, 2017

Ms. Jennifer Straus Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. 636 US Highway 27 North P.O. Box 98 Cynthiana, KY 41031

Dear Ms. Straus:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed by Farmers Tobacco Co. of Cynthiana, Inc. ("Farmers Tobacco") on October 18, 2017, calling for simultaneous display (*i.e.*, the alternative to quarterly rotation) of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the "Kentucky's Best," "VB Made in the USA," and "Baron American Blend" brands of cigarettes.

Farmers Tobacco's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging.

Farmers Tobacco's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging for the following varieties is hereby approved effective on the date of this letter through October 17, 2018, or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first.¹

Ten varieties of the Kentucky's Best brand: Red Kings (soft pack and hard pack), Red 100's (soft pack and hard pack), Silver Kings hard pack, Green Kings hard pack, Green 100's hard pack, Menthol Kings hard pack, Menthol 100's hard pack, and Non-Filter Kings soft pack;

¹ Farmer's Tobacco stated in its October 18, 2017 letter that the four health warnings for all of its varieties of the "Kentucky's Best," "VB Made in the USA," and "Baron American Blend" brands of cigarettes will appear exactly as shown on the packs and cartons submitted on October 3 and 17, 2017.

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- Eight varieties of the VB Made in the USA brand: Red hard pack (Kings and 100's), Gold hard pack (Kings and 100's), Menthol 100's hard pack, Blue 100's hard pack, Green 100's hard pack, and Non-Filter Kings soft pack; and
- Nine varieties of the Baron American Blend brand: Red hard pack (Kings and 100's), Blue hard pack (Kings and 100's), Menthol hard pack (Kings and 100's), Silver 100's hard pack, Green 100's hard pack, and Non-Filter Kings soft pack.

Additionally, Farmers Tobacco's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging for the following varieties is hereby approved effective on the date of this letter through January 17, 2018, or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first:

- Six varieties of the Kentucky's Best brand: Gold Kings (soft pack and hard pack), Gold 100's (soft pack and hard pack), and Silver 100's (soft pack and hard pack); and
- One variety of the VB Made in the USA brand: Menthol Kings hard pack.

Approval of this plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. 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.

Please note that this letter only approves Farmers Tobacco's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22, 2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings on Farmers Tobacco's packaging. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for Farmers Tobacco's cigarettes. Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of Farmers Tobacco's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

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.

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If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Aine Farrell at (202) 326-2409.

Very truly yours,

5. Sigle Mor. Mary K. Engle Associate Director



October 24, 2017

Mary K. Engle, Associate Director Federal Trade Commission Division of Advertising Practices 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Mail Drop NJ 3212 Washington, DC 20580

Re: Premier Manufacturing, Inc. - Approval request

Dear Ms. Mary Engle:

We would like to request renewal for Creston, Passport and Fact brands. There are no changes in packaging for these Brands since our submission on August 14, 2015. The warnings will appear exactly as shown on the sample packs and cartons submitted with my August 14, 2015 letter.

Premier Manufacturing would like to continue to display the four health warnings an equal number of times on the packs and cartons for each brand style of the Creston, Passport and Fact brands for the one-year period beginning on the date of approval of this plan. We will achieve equalization of the four warnings on the packs and cartons of each brand style by having all four warnings printed simultaneously at the time of both pack and carton print runs. Premier will keep records demonstrating compliance with the plan.

The four warnings that will be displayed are:

- 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.

Premier Manufacturing, Inc. has not yet designed advertising materials for Creston, Passport and Fact brand cigarettes. We do not intend to advertise these brands until we have FTC approval for displaying warnings on advertising.

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We have previous sales for Creston, Passport or Fact. Premier also manufactures the Ultra Buy, Shield, Wildhorse, 1st Class, 1839 and Traffic brands which did not exceed sticks for any one brand style in the last fiscal year (calendar year 2016). We did not manufacturer any other brand in 2016. We do not anticipate sales to exceed sticks for any one brand style that we manufacturer in fiscal year 2017.

Below are the Brand styles that we have previously had approved for Creston, Passport and Fact on November 18, 2015. These three brands are manufactured in the United States by Premier. The Brand/Styles are as follows:

CRESTON	PASSPORT	FACT
RED KING BOX	RED KING BOX	RED KING BOX
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BLUE KING BOX	BLUE KING BOX	BLUE KING BOX
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MENTHOL SILVER 100s BOX	MENTHOL SILVER 100s BOX	MENTHOL SILVER 100s BOX

We submit and confirm that the foregoing complies with Act.

Please call me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Division of Advertising Practices United States of America FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20580

October 25, 2017

Ms. Terri Albright Premier Manufacturing, Inc. 629 Cepi Drive Chesterfield, MO 63005

Dear Ms. Albright:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed by Premier Manufacturing, Inc. ("Premier") on October 24, 2016, calling for simultaneous display (*i.e.*, the alternative to quarterly rotation) of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the Creston, Passport, and Fact brands of cigarettes.

Premier's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging, and the warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your letter dated August 14, 2015 continue to appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act in force as of the date of this letter for size and conspicuousness.¹

Accordingly, Premier's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging is hereby approved for the following varieties of the Creston, Passport, and Fact brands of cigarettes: Red Box (Kings and 100's), Blue Box (Kings and 100's), Orange Box (Kings and 100's), Menthol Green Box (Kings and 100's), and Menthol Silver Box (Kings and 100's).

¹ Premier stated in its October 24, 2017 letter that the four health warnings will appear exactly as shown on the sample packs and cartons submitted on August 14, 2015.
Ms. Terri Albright October 25, 2017 Page 2

Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. 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.

Please note that this letter only approves Premier's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22, 2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings on Premier's packaging. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for Premier's cigarettes. Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of Premier's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

This approval is effective on the date of this letter and runs through October 24, 2018, or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Aine Farrell at (202) 326-2409.

Very truly yours,

Mary K. Engle

Mary K. Ěngle Associate Director

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.



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October 5, 2017

BY FEDEX

Ms. Mary K. Engle Associate Director, Division of Advertising Practices Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Mail Code CC-10528 Washington, DC 20580

Re: Application to Amend Liggett Group Cigarette Warning Rotation Plan to:

(1) Add Revised Packaging for All Nine MONTEGO Brand Styles; and

(2) Add Revised Brand Style Names for Seven MONTEGO Brand Styles

Dear Ms. Engle:

Liggett Group LLC ("Liggett") hereby applies to amend its Label Statement Rotation Plan ("Plan") under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1331 *et seq.* ("Act") to do the following: (1) <u>add</u> revised packaging for all nine MONTEGO brand styles (*i.e.*, for the entire brand family); and (2) <u>add</u> revised the brand style names for seven of the MONTEGO brand styles.

Liggett's current Plan, which will expire on April 30, 2018, covers the MONTEGO brand family, which consists of the following nine brand styles in their current packaging (hereinafter referred to as "EXISTING MONTEGO"):

MONTEGO Full Flavor Kings Box MONTEGO Full Flavor 100's Box MONTEGO Gold Kings Box MONTEGO Gold 100's Box MONTEGO Blue 100's Box MONTEGO Menthol Kings Box MONTEGO Menthol 100's Box MONTEGO Menthol Silver Kings Box MONTEGO Menthol Silver 100s Box

Under this proposed amendment, the Plan will continue to cover all nine EXISTING MONTEGO brand styles, but will <u>add</u> revised packaging (both pack and carton) for all nine brand styles, and will <u>add</u>

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revised brand style names for seven of the brand styles (hereinafter referred to as "REVISED MONTEGO"). The EXISTING MONTEGO brand style names and the corresponding REVISED MONTEGO brand style names are as follows:

EXISTING MONTEGO Brand Style Names	REVISED MONTEGO Brand Style Names (with logo of three tobacco leaves)	
MONTEGO Full Flavor Kings Box	MONTEGO Red Kings Box	
MONTEGO Full Flavor 100's Box	MONTEGO Red 100s Box	
MONTEGO Gold Kings Box	MONTEGO Blue Kings Box	
MONTEGO Gold 100's Box	MONTEGO Blue 100s Box	
MONTEGO Blue 100's Box	MONTEGO Orange 100s Box	
MONTEGO Menthol Kings Box	MONTEGO Menchol Gold Kings Box	
MONTEGO Menthol 100's Box	MONTEGO Menthol Gold 100s Box	
MONTEGO Menthol Silver Kings Box	[no name change]	
MONTEGO Menthol Silver 100s Box	[no name change]	

PLEASE NOTE: Liggett is <u>not</u> applying to <u>remove</u> EXISTING MONTEGO (packaging or brand style names) from the Plan at this time, because Liggett will continue to manufacture the brand using the existing packaging and brand style names until the existing packaging is exhausted. Accordingly, EXISTING MONTEGO (packaging and brand style names) needs to remain approved under Liggett's current Plan. Once the EXISTING MONTEGO packaging is exhausted, Liggett will apply to amend the Plan to remove the EXISTING MONTEGO packaging and brand style names from the Plan.

Thus, this application relates only to <u>adding</u> REVISED MONTEGO, as defined above. For REVISED MONTEGO, Liggett is applying for simultaneous rotation of the four warnings required by the Act, to be implemented in accordance with Section 2(d) of the Plan, as originally approved by the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") on September 19, 1985, and most recently by letter dated May 1, 2017. This application for the REVISED MONTEGO packaging and brand style names and is for a one-year period beginning on the date of the approval of this Plan amendment.

The packs and cartons for REVISED MONTEGO will be printed in such a way that all four warnings will be printed with each revolution of one printing cylinder. For the cartons, two printing cylinders will be alternated during the printing process to achieve equal warnings within a single pallet of packaging. Materials will be palletized containing all four warnings on each pallet of packs and cartons. On a pallet, the packs and cartons will be stacked in bundles of 500 containing a mix of the four warnings. Accordingly, as the pallets of packing are used in the manufacturing process, the cigarettes produced using that packaging from those pallets will bear each of the four warnings in equal numbers, subject to limitations to the commercial printing and manufacturing practices.

Enclosed with my letter of September 19, 2017 was my affidavit, with Exhibits A and B, which set forth information on total U.S. and Liggett cigarette unit sales in Liggett's most recent fiscal year,

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which was calendar year 2016. This information shows that, with the exceptions of PYRAMID Red 100s Box and PYRAMID Blue 100s Box, Liggett's sales of any one brand style did not exceed one-fourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold in the United States in 2016, and more than one-half of the cigarettes sold by Liggett were packaged into brand styles that meet this requirement. Accordingly, pursuant to the Act and the Plan, every MONTEGO brand style qualifies for simultaneous rotation of the four warnings required by the Act, including every brand style of both EXISTING MONTEGO and REVISED MONTEGO.

As additional information, Liggett provides the following projected cigarette sales data:

Projected REVISED MONTEGO brand family sales in 2018 ⁽¹⁾

Projected total U.S. cigarette sales in 2017⁽²⁾

⁽¹⁾ Liggett internal data and projections.

(2) Liggett projection based on internal analysis, and data from Management Science Associates, Inc. and U.S. Treasury Department, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau.

The above projected 2017 total U.S. cigarette sales One-fourth of one percent of **Constant and Selection** is approximately **Constant and Selection** There will be sales of REVISED MONTEGO in 2017. For 2018, the total cigarette sales for the entire REVISED MONTEGO brand family will be far less than **Constant and Selection**. Thus, each brand style of REVISED MONTEGO will necessarily be less than the one-quarter of one percent of 2017 total U.S. cigarette sales.

Enclosed with my letter of September 19, 2017 were four sample packs and four sample cartons (one for each of the four warnings) of the revised packaging for the Added REVISED MONTEGO brand styles. The four warnings required by 15 U.S.C. § 1333(a)(1) will be printed on packs and cartons of each brand style of Added REVISED MONTEGO an equal number of times within the one-year period beginning on the date of approval of this application. Added REVISED MONTEGO will follow the rotation of the four health warnings in advertising for the MONTEGO brand that was approved on June 29, 2012. This will confirm that Liggett, in the ordinary course of business, maintains records of compliance with its approved plans for packaging and advertising.

The information contained in the affidavit and exhibits is confidential and proprietary business information of Liggett. Liggett requests that this information be kept confidential by the FTC, pursuant to applicable rules and procedures. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WAKE

AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN R. LONG

John R. Long, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am Vice President & General Counsel of Liggett Group LLC ("Liggett").

2. On August 31, 1985, Liggett filed its Label Statement Rotation Plan ("Plan") pursuant to Section 4(c) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act ("Act"). The Federal Trade Commission approved the Plan on September 19, 1985 and has approved renewals of the Plan every year since then, most recently on May 1, 2017.

3. Under Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act and Section 2(d) of the Plan, the Surgeon General's Warnings on the packaging of a particular brand style may be rotated on a simultaneous basis if: (1) the number of cigarettes of such brand style sold in the fiscal year of Liggett preceding the submission of this application was less than one-fourth of one percent of all cigarettes sold in the United States in such year; and (2) more than one-half of the cigarettes sold by Liggett in the United States were packaged into brand styles that meet the foregoing requirement. Liggett's most recent fiscal year was caler dar year 2016.

4. Attached to this affidavit as <u>Exhibit A</u> is a copy of The Maxwell Report for calendar year 2016. This report shows that approximately **Exhibit A** is a copy of The Maxwell Report for calendar year 2016. One quarter of one percent of **Exhibit A** is a copy of The Maxwell Report for calendar year cigarettes were sold in the United States during calendar year 2016. One quarter of one percent of **Exhibit A** is a copy of The Maxwell Report for calendar year cigarettes were sold in the United States during calendar year 2016. One quarter of one percent of **Exhibit A** is a copy of The Maxwell Report for calendar year cigarettes were sold in the United States during cigarettes.

5. Attached to this affidavit as <u>Exhibit B</u> are the sales figures for calendar year 2016 for all brand styles manufactured by Liggett. <u>Exhibit B</u> shows that all but two brand styles manufactured by Liggett had sales in 2016 of fewer than <u>solver</u> cigarettes, and more than half of the cigarettes sold by Liggett in 2016 were packaged into brand styles that had sales in 2016 of fewer than <u>cigarettes</u> cigarettes are eligible for simultaneous warning rotation. The two Liggett brand styles that had sales over <u>cigarettes</u> cigarettes in calendar year 2016 and that, therefore, do not qualify for simultaneous warning rotation are PYRAMID Red 100s Box and PYRAMID Blue 100s Box.

6. Accordingly, Liggett is eligible to apply for simultaneous warning rotation as provided in Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act and Section 2(d) of the Plan. Pursuant to the Act and the Plan, all Liggett brand styles except PYRAMID Red 100s Box and PYRAMID Blue 100s Box qualify for simultaneous warning rotation. Therefore, the following MONTEGO brand styles qualify for simultaneous rotation of the four warnings required by the Act: MONTEGO Red Kings Box, MONTEGO Red 100s Box, MONTEGO Blue Kings Box, MONTEGO Blue 100s Box, MONTEGO Orange 100s Box, MONTEGO Menthol Gold Kings Box, MONTEGO Menthol Gold 100s Box, MONTEGO Menthol Silver Kings Box, and MONTEGO Menthol Silver 100s Box.

John R. Long

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this <u>19th</u> day of September, 2017.

Carol A. Hazlewood

Notary Public, State of North Carolina My commission expires: February 28, 2022 CAROL A. HAZLEWOOD NOTARY PUBLIC Wake County, North Carolina My Commission Explase 2-28-2022

EXHIBIT A

THE MAXWELL REPORT

Year End & Fourth Quarter 2016 Cigarette Industry



EXHIBIT A

THE MAXWELL REPORT



Exhibit B

Liggett Group LLC Application to Renew Warning Rotation Plan September 19, 2017

September 19, 2017					
2016 and Projected 2017 Gross Unit Sales by Brand Style					
	Brand	Current Brand Style Name	2016 Units Sold	Projected 2017 Uni	
1	BRONSON	Full Flavor Filter Kings Box			
2	BRONSON	Full Flavor Filter 100's Box			
3	BRONSON	Gold Kings Box			
4	BRONSON	Gold 100's Box			
5	BRONSON	Silver Kings Box			
6	BRONSON	Silver 100's Box			
7	BRONSON	Full Flavor Menthol Kings Box			
8	BRONSON	Full Flavor Menthol 100's Box			
9	BRONSON	Gold Menthol Kings Box			
10	BRONSON	Gold Menthol 100's Box			
	TOTAL BRONSON				
1	CLASS A	Non-Filter Kings Box			
2	CLASS A	Full Flavor Filter 100's Box			
3	CLASS A	Filter Kings Box			
4	CLASS A	Filter 100's Box			
5	CLASS A	Blue 100's Box			
6	CLASS A	Menthol Filter Kings Box			
7	CLASS A	Menthol Filter 100's Box			
8	CLASS A	Menthol Silver 100's Box			
<u> </u>	TOTAL CLASS A				
4		Anna Maria (201- Barr			
1	EVE	Amethyst 120's Box			
2	EVE	Sapphire 120's Box			
3	EVE	Menthol Emerald 120's Box			
4	EVE	Menthol Turquoise 120's Box			
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1	GRAND PRIX	Non-Filter Classic Kings Box			
2	GRAND PRIX	Filter Red Kings Box			
3	GRAND PRIX	Filter Red 100s Soft Pack			
4	GRAND PRIX	Filter Red 100s Box			
5	GRAND PRIX	Blue Kings Box			
6	GRAND PRIX	Blue 100s Soft Pack			
7	GRAND PRIX	Blue 100s Box			
8	GRAND PRIX	Orange 100s Soft Pack			
9	GRAND PRIX	Orange 100s Box			
10	GRAND PRIX	Menthol Gold Kings Box			
11	GRAND PRIX	Menthol Gold 100s Box			
12	GRAND PRIX	Menthol Silver 100s Soft Pack			
13	GRAND PRIX	Menthol Silver 100s Box			
	TOTAL GRAND PRIX				
1	LIGGETT SELECT	Non-Filter Kings Box			
2	LIGGETT SELECT	Red Kings Box			
3	LIGGETT SELECT	Red 100's Soft Pack			
4	LIGGETT SELECT	Red 100's Box			
5	LIGGETT SELECT	Gold Kings Box			
6	LIGGETT SELECT	Gold 100's Soft Pack			
7	LIGGETT SELECT	Gold 100's Son Pack			
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Exhibit B Liggett Group LLC Application to Renew Warning Rotation Plan September 19, 2017 2016 and Projected 2017 Gross Unit Sales by Brand Style Brand **Current Brand Style Name** 2016 Units Sold Projected 2017 Units LIGGETT SELECT Silver 100's Box LIGGETT SELECT Menthol Gold Kings Box LIGGETT SELECT Menthol Gold 100's Box LIGGETT SELECT Menthol Silver Kings Box LIGGETT SELECT Menthol Silver 100's Soft Pack LIGGETT SELECT Menthol Silver 100's Box LIGGETT SELECT Blue Kings Box LIGGETT SELECT Blue 100s Box LIGGETT SELECT Orange Kings Box LIGGETT SELECT Orange 100s Box TOTAL LIGGETT SELECT MONTEGO . Full Flavor Kings Box MONTEGO Full Flavor 100's Box MONTEGO Gold Kings Box MONTEGO Gold 100's Box MONTEGO Blue 100's Box MONTEGO Menthol Kings Box MONTEGO Menthol Silver Kings Box MONTEGO Menthol Silver 100's Box MONTEGO Menthol 100's Box TOTAL MONTEGO . PYRAMID Non-Filter Kings Box PYRAMID **Red Kings Box** PYRAMID Red 100s Box PYRAMID Blue Kings Box PYRAMID Blue 100s Box PYRAMID **Orange Kings Box** PYRAMID Orange 100s Box **PYRAMID** Menthol Gold Kings Box PYRAMID Menthol Gold 100s Box PYRAMID Menthol Silver Kings Box PYRAMID Menthol Silver 100s Box TOTAL PYRAMID TOURNEY Non-Filter Kings Box Full Flavor Kings Box TOURNEY TOURNEY Full Flavor 100's Soft Pack TOURNEY Full Flavor 100's Box TOURNEY Gold Kings Box TOURNEY Gold 100's Soft Pack Gold 100's Box TOURNEY TOURNEY Blue 100's Box TOURNEY Menthol Full Flavor Kings Box TOURNEY Menthol Full Flavor 100's Box

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Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.





MONTEGO Blue kings box

AMERICAN MADE





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



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Division of Advertising Practices

November 1, 2017

John R. Long, Esq. Vice President & General Counsel Liggett Group LLC 100 Maple Lane Mebane, NC 27302

Dear Mr. Long:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, Liggett Group LLC's ("Liggett") plan for simultaneous display (*i.e.*, the alternative to quarterly rotation) of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the Bronson, Class A, Eve, Grand Prix, Liggett Select, Montego, Pyramid, and Tourney brands of cigarettes was approved on May 1, 2017. In your October 5, 2017 letter, you now propose to expand Liggett's plan to include additional varieties of the Montego brand.

Liggett's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging, with the exception of the Pyramid Red 100's Box and Pyramid Blue 100's Box varieties,¹ and the warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your September 19, 2017 letter appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act in force as of the date of this letter for size and conspicuousness.²

Accordingly, Liggett's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging for the following ten box varieties of the Montego brand is hereby approved: Red Kings (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging), Red 100's (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging), Blue Kings (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging), Blue 100's (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging), Orange 100's (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging), Menthol Gold Kings (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging) Menthol Gold 100's (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging), Menthol Silver Kings (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging), and Menthol Silver 100's (in "three tobacco leaves" packaging).

¹ The Pyramid Red 100's Box and Pyramid Blue 100's Box varieties are subject to quarterly rotation, which does not require annual approval.

² Liggett stated in its October 5, 2017 letter that the four health warnings will appear exactly as shown on the packs and cartons submitted on September 19, 2017.

John R. Long, Esq. November 1, 2017 Page 2

Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.³ The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

I wish to remind you that the Commission's May 1, 2017 approval of Liggett's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan for packaging of certain varieties of its brands runs through April 30, 2017 (or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first) and that this letter does not extend that approval period.

Please note that this letter only approves Liggett's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22, 2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings on Liggett's packaging. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for Liggett's cigarettes. Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of Liggett's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

This approval is effective on the date of this letter and runs through October 31, 2018, or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first.

³ 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.

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If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Donya Jackson at (202) 326-2050.

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Very truly yours,

Mery K. Engle

Mary K. Engle Associate Director



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November 01, 2017

From: KT& G USA Corporation 1601 E Plano PKWY Suite 110 Plano, TX 75074 Tel: 214-299-4200 Fax: 214-299-4207

To: Ms. Mary K. Engle Associate Director, Division of Advertising Practices Attn: Ms. Bonnie McGregor Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Mail Drop CC-10528 Washington, DC 20580 Tel: 202-326-2407 Fax: 202-326-2407

Dear Ms. Engle,

The following is a plan submitted for approval by your department for the quarterly rotation of warnings for the Surgeon General's Warning Labels as required by the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act.

K imports, Inc. has had a previous plan approved by your department for the "THIS" brand On April 27, 2001

Global Trading, Inc. buy-out K imports, Inc. on 12/16/2010 Global Trading, Inc. name Changed to KT&G USA Corporation. on 09/07/2016 KT&G USA Corporation will abide by Global Trading, Inc.'s plans approved on the following dates: 10/25/2013 (Carnival), 03/21/2011 (Carnival and Timeless Time Advertising), 02/28/2011(Timeless Time).



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Specifications and rotation of the warning labels will comply with specifications stated in The Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act. We will keep records demonstrating compliance with this plan.

We will import from the Republic of Korea to the United States of America the "THIS" brand in the following styles:

THIS Red 100 Box THIS Blue 100 Box THIS Silver 100 Box THIS Menthol 100 Box THIS Menthol Green 100 Box THIS Red King Box THIS Blue King Box THIS Silver King Box THIS Menthol King Box THIS Menthol Green King Box

I. Packaging

A.) Warning Label Size and Location: We will display the four health warnings on the cigarette packs and cartons exactly as shown on the samples provided on 08/21/2017 and 09/25/2017.

B.) Warning Label Rotation: Beginning on the date of approval of this plan, we will rotate the warnings on the packs and cartons of the "THIS" brand based upon production date of the packaging according to the schedule set out below.

The following will be the Surgeon General's rotation schedule for CARNIVAL, timeless TIME and THIS brand cigarettes:

Quarter	CARNIVAL	timeless TIME	THIS
1st Quarter (Jan- Mar)	В	A	С
2nd Quarter (Apr- June)	D	B	A
3rd Quarter (July- Sept)	С	D	В
4th Quarter (Oct- Dec)	A	С	D



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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.

CARNIVAL, TIMELESS TIME and THIS are is the only brands imported by KT&G USA Corporation.

KT&G USA is not manufacturing any Cigarettes.

II. Advertising

For the time being, we are not planning to advertise "THIS" cigarettes in the United States. Prior to advertising, we will submit a plan to the FTC explaining how we will comply with the requirements of the Cigarette Act for advertising.

We hope everything is to your satisfaction and look forward to your approval.

Please let me know at 214-299-4200 if you have any questions

Thank you for your consideration.

Kil Hong Hyun President KT& G USA Corporation

Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.



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SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING. Juitting Smoking Now Greatly Reduce Serious Risks to Your Health.

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BLUE 100'S American Blend

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Division of Advertising Practices United States of America FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20580

November 2, 2017

Mr. Kil Hong Hyun KT&G USA Corporation 1601 E. Plano Parkway Suite 110 Plano, TX 75074

Dear Mr. Hyun:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed by KT&G USA Corporation ("KT&G")¹ on November 1, 2017 calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the "THIS" brand of cigarettes.

The warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your letters dated August 21, 2017 and September 25, 2017 appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act in force as of the date of this letter for size and conspicuousness.² Accordingly, KT&G's plan for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings on packaging for the following ten box varieties of the "THIS" brand is hereby approved: Red (Kings & 100's), Blue (Kings & 100's), Silver (Kings & 100's), Menthol (Kings & 100's), and Menthol Green (Kings & 100's).

Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.³ The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

³ 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.

¹ Your letter of November 1, 2017 states that Global Trading, Inc. changed its name to KT&G USA Corporation on September 7, 2016.

² Although some of the warnings originally 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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If KT&G decides to advertise the "THIS" brand 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.

Please note that this letter only approves KT&G's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22, 2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings on KT&G's packaging. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for KT&G's cigarettes. Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of KT&G's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

Please note that Section 802 of the Tariff Suspension and Trade Act of 2000 prohibits the importation of cigarettes unless at the time of entry the importer presents a sworn statement signed by the original cigarette manufacturer stating that the manufacturer has submitted and will continue to submit the list of ingredients to FDA.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact William Ducklow at (202) 326-2407.

Very truly yours,

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Mary K. Engle Associate Director

November 2, 2017

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RE: Surgeon General's Health Warning Equalization Plan for Signal Brand Cigarettes

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is an application for approval of the plan of Ohserase Manufacturing, LLC for the display of the health warnings on its Signal cigarette brand. Ohserase Manufacturing, LLC is a limited liability corporation with offices located at 26 Eagle Drive, Akwesasne, New York 13655, mailing address P.O. Box 1221, Akwesasne, New York 13655 and the phone number is (518)358-4229.

Ohserase wishes to file a Surgeon General's Health Warning Equalization Plan as required by the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act of 1964 for the brand of cigarettes they wish to manufacture in the United States under the brand name "Signal."

The brand styles of Signal brand cigarettes Ohserase intends to manufacture are listed on Exhibit "A." Ohserase no longer manufactures the brand styles that were taken off of this year's Exhibit "A" even though they were included on previous year's Plans. Enclosed with our submission of October 15, 2017 were the actual production packs and cartons for the brand styles being submitted showing exactly where and how the four (4) Surgeon General's health warnings will appear on individual packs and cartons Ohserase will be manufacturing for our Signal brand. The warnings will appear exactly as shown on these samples.

Ohserase manufactured approximately cigarettes in fiscal year 2016 (all were Signal and Da Rez brands). Ohserase does not currently manufacture the Da Rez brand. To date, in fiscal year 2017, Ohserase has manufactured cigarettes (all were Signal). Ohserase anticipates manufacturing approximately cigarettes of all its brand styles (Signal) in fiscal year 2017.

No one brand style of cigarettes sold by Ohserase has for the past fiscal year constituted more than $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% of all the cigarettes sold in the United States in such year, and no one brand style will constitute more than $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% of all the cigarettes sold in the United States in the next fiscal year. In addition, more than one-half of the cigarettes manufactured for sale in the United States will be packaged into brand styles which meet the requirements of 15 U.S.C. $\frac{1333(c)(2)(A)(i)}{1}$.

As a small manufacturer as defined by the Act, Ohserase wishes to submit a plan to equalize the four health warning statements required by 15 U.S.C. §1333(c) for its Signal brand. Each of the four warning statements will appear on the packs and cartons of each brand style of

Signal brand cigarettes manufactured by Ohserase an equal number of times in the one year period beginning on the date this plan is approved. Ohserase will maintain records demonstrating compliance with this plan.

The individual packs of Signal cigarettes to be manufactured by Ohserase will have the proper health warnings printed by the manufacturer directly on the packs under the cellophane. The cartons will also have the proper health warnings printed directly on the cartons by the manufacturer. Ohserase will keep a running total of the number of cartons and packs it manufactures with each warning label for each brand style.

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

Ohserase will print all four health warnings in equal numbers on each printed sheet of packaging for all of its cartons and packs so that when the sheets are die cut each shipment should be approximately equalized for each brand style as manufactured. If, toward the end of the one year period, it appears that the warnings are not equalized on the packs and cartons for each brand style, Ohserase will place special orders for packaging with the specific health warnings needed to ensure that the display of all four warnings is equalized on the packs and cartons for each brand style by the plan's anniversary date.

Obserase has an advertising plan in place and approved by the Federal Trade Commission. The plan was approved in January of 2013 and has not changed.

We believe this plan complies in all respect with the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act, as amended, including any modifications made by the Public Health Cigarette Smoking Act of 1969, the Comprehensive Smoking Education Act of 1984, the Nurses' Education Amendments of 1985 and the Imported Cigarette Compliance Act of 2000. For this reason, we hereby request that you approve this plan as soon as possible.

If you have any questions I can be reached by phone at (518) 358-4229 extension 128. Thank you.

Sincerely-Satah Freptow ompliance Officer

Exhibit A Ohserase Manufacturing, LLC Signal Brand Styles

Full Flavor King Box Full Flavor 100 Box Smooth King Box Smooth 100 Box Ultra Smooth King Box Ultra Smooth 100 Box Menthol King Box Menthol Smooth King Box Menthol Smooth King Box Bold King Box Bold King Box Max King Box Max 100 Box Selected packaging samples from those submitted with the plan.



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Smoking By Pregnant Women May Result in Fetal Injury, Premature SURGEON GENERAL'S WARNING:

Birth, And Low Birth Weight.

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November 3, 2017

Ms. Sarah Treptow Ohserase Manufacturing, LLC 26 Eagle Drive P.O. Box 1221 Akwesasne, NY 13655

Dear Ms. Treptow:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed by Ohserase Manufacturing, LLC ("Ohserase") on November 2, 2017, calling for simultaneous display (*i.e.*, the alternative to quarterly rotation) of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the Signal brand of cigarettes.

Ohserase's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of the warnings on packaging, and the warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your letter of October 15, 2017 appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act in force as of the date of this letter for size and conspicuousness.¹

Accordingly, Ohserase's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging for the following fourteen box varieties of the Signal brand is hereby approved: Full Flavor (Kings & 100's), Smooth (Kings & 100's), Ultra Smooth (Kings & 100's), Menthol (Kings & 100's), Menthol Smooth (Kings & 100's), Bold (Kings & 100's), and Max (Kings & 100's).

Approval of Ohserase's plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. 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.

¹ Ohserase stated in its November 2, 2017 letter that the four health warnings will appear exactly as shown on the packs and cartons submitted on these dates.

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.

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Please note that this letter only approves Ohserase's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22, 2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings on Ohserase's packaging. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for Ohserase's cigarettes, including, but not limited to, "all natural." Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of Ohserase's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

This approval is effective on the date of this letter and runs through November 2, 2018, or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Aine Farrell at (202) 326-2409.

Very truly yours,

Mary K. Engle

Mary K. Engle Associate Director



November 14, 2017

Ms. Mary K. Engle Associate Director U.S. Federal Trade Commission Bureau of Consumer Protection Division of Advertising Practices 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, CC-10528 Washington, DC 20580

Re: Sherman's 1400 Broadway N.Y.C., LLC ("Sherman's 1400") Advertising Rotation Plan - Website

Dear Ms. Engle:

Previous Sherman's 1400 warning rotation plans for advertising were approved on November 23, 2003, July 22, 2009 and February 13, 2017. Most recently, we submitted an advertising plan on September 14, 2017 to include our Nat's brand, that was subsequently approved on September 15, 2017. In that submission letter, we originally stated that it was not our intent to advertise Nat's on the internet. We are now seeking a modification to our advertising rotation plan to include advertising Nat's on the internet.

The following is our plan to comply with the health warning display requirements of FCLAA as it relates to internet advertising of the Nat's brand.

In advertising our brands, including the Nat's brand, we will continue to use the warning formats that were submitted with the 1985 plans of the five leading U.S. cigarette manufacturers and we will place the warnings as specified in those plans except that for printed non-periodical advertising, Sherman's 1400 will rotate the required four warnings according to the date the items are ordered.¹ If Sherman's 1400 advertises in newspapers, magazines or other periodicals, it will rotate the required four warnings according to the cover date of the publication. The warnings will be rotated quarterly according to the schedule set out below. We will use the warning formats submitted with our letter of November 21, 2003. At the present time, we anticipate that our largest size advertising will be 48 inches x 24 inches.

The four cigarette health warnings as noted below will be rotated quarterly on advertising of each brand including the Nat's brand according to the following schedule:

- 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.

¹ "Order date" is the date on which Sherman's 1400 approves the final artwork for release to the supplier for printing.

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Brands	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4
Black & Gold	A	В	С	D
Fantasia	D	A	B	С
Classic	С	D	A	В
Cigarettellos	В	С	D	A
Havana Ovals	D	A	В	С
Hint	C	D	A	В
MCD	В	C	D	A
Naturals	A	В	C	D
New York Cut	В	C	D	A
Select	С	D	A	В
Originals	D	A	B	C
Nat's	A	B	C	D
Non-Brand Specific or Multi-Brand Advertising	A	В	C	D

We also plan to advertise Nat's cigarettes on the internet @www.natsherman.com and will rotate the four cigarette health warnings on our website using the same rotation schedule as for our non-website advertising. The cigarette health warnings on our website www.natsherman.com will be superimposed on the screen in an unavoidable manner on every page where it may be viewed without scrolling and will not be accessible or displayed through hyperlinks, pop-ups, interstitials or other similar means. We will use the warning formats that were submitted with the 1985 plans and the size of the warnings will be proportionate to those warning formats. Enclosed are samples of the mock-up of the Nat Sherman website showing how the four required warnings will appear on each of the web pages advertising cigarettes. The samples attached show warnings that would appear in guarter 3.

If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 201-735-9008.

Sincerely,

Brendon Scott Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

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Division of Advertising Practices United States of America FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20580

November 16, 2017

Mr. Brendon Scott Sherman's 1400 Broadway NYC, LLC 10 Sterling Boulevard Englewood, NJ 07631

Dear Mr. Scott:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed by Sherman's 1400 Broadway NYC, LLC ("Sherman's 1400"), dated November 14, 2017, calling for quarterly rotation of the four health warnings in Internet advertising for the Nat's brand of cigarettes.

Sherman's 1400's plan for rotation and display of the four health warnings in the aforementioned advertising for the Nat's brand of cigarettes is hereby approved. Approval of the plan assumes that the plan is implemented in good faith. With respect to the question of whether it is legal to advertise cigarettes on the internet, Section 1335 of the Cigarette Act prohibits advertising cigarettes on any medium of electronic communication subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission. The enforcement of that provision is the responsibility of the Department of Justice and you should contact them directly (Lashanda Freeman at 202-307-0052) to determine whether such advertising is permissible.

Please note that this letter is not an approval of any design element, statement, or representation made in advertising or on packaging for Sherman's 1400's cigarettes, including, but not limited to, "natural." Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of Sherman's 1400's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or

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menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, or

www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ForIndustry/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Connor Sands at (202) 326-3343.

Very truly yours,

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Mary K. Engle Associate Director



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November 28, 2017

Ms. Mary K. Engle Federal Trade Commission Division of Advertising Practices 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room CC-10528 Washington, DC 20580

RE: Cigarette Health Warning Rotation Plan

Dear Ms. Engle.

This letter is being submitted for the annual renewal approval of the alternative method to the quarterly Surgeon General Warning rotation plan on packaging of the following eleven (11) varieties of the SF cigarette brand:

	Red King Box
-	Blue King Box
	Gray King Box
1	Menthol Dark Green King Box
1	Menthol Pale Green King Box
	Non-Filter King Soft Pack
	Red 100's Box
	Blue 100's Box
	Gray 100's Box
	Menthol Dark Green 100's
	Box
N	Venthol Pale Green 100's Box

The SF cigarette brand is manufactured in the United States by NASCO Products, LLC. Upon approval of this plan, the manufacturer will continue to manufacture these cigarettes under the authority of the Alcohol & Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (Manufacturer of Tobacco Products License TP-NC-15033).

These cigarettes will be packaged in 200 count cartons ("Outer Cartons"). Each Outer Carton will contain 10 packs of 20 cigarettes each ("Pack"). The Surgeon General Warnings will be on each Pack and Outer Carton of cigarettes in the form and content dictated by the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act and therefore satisfactory to the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"). The warnings will be printed directly on the

packaging in a legible and conspicuous manner and will be of a size, format, and type required by the Cigarette Act. The warnings will be placed on the product in a location which complies with applicable labeling statutes. The warnings will appear exactly as they do on the packs and cartons submitted with our letter dated November 11, 2014.

NASCO Products, LLC believes that its low sales volume of cigarettes fits the criteria for the alternative to quarterly rotation of warnings on packaging, provided for in Section 1333 (c)(2) of the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act. 15 U.S.C. §§ 1331. Actual sales figures for the 2016 fiscal year for all the brand styles that we manufacture are provided on Exhibit A. Sales estimates for the 2017 fiscal year for all the brand styles that we manufacture are provided on Exhibit A. We do not anticipate sales to exceed sticks for any one brand style of cigarettes for the one year period covered by this plan.

If this plan for the alternative to quarterly rotation of warnings on packaging is approved, the four cigarette health warnings will continue to appear on the packs and cartons of each of the cigarette brand styles listed above an equal number of times throughout the one year period beginning on the date this plan is approved.

NASCO Products, LLC will continue to comply with its April 25, 2017 plan for Internet advertising of the RED SUN and SF brands of cigarettes.

NASCO Products, LLC, the manufacturer, is aware of the requirements set forth by the FTC in the Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act and the company's efforts are always to be fully compliant with the Cigarette Act. NASCO Products, LLC will maintain record of compliance with the approved plan. If there are any questions or concerns regarding this plan, please contact me at 716-270-1523 (phone), 716-877-3064 (fax), kdelaney@xxiicentury.com (email), or 9530 Main Street, Clarence, NY 14031 (mailing address).

Sincerely. Karen E. Delaney Tax Compliance Manager

EXHIBIT A

Actual sales figures for Fiscal Year 2016

PRODUCT	STICKS
SF Red King Size Box	
SF Blue King Size Box	
SF Gray King Size Box	
SF Menthol Dark Green King Size Box	
SF Menthol Pale Green King Size Box	The first different
SF Non-Filter King Size Soft Pack	
SF Red 100's Box	
SF Blue 100's Box	
SF Gray 100's Box	
SF Menthol Dark Green 100's Box	
SF Menthol Pale Green 100's Box	
RED SUN Regular King Size Box	
RED SUN Bold Cold Menthol King Size Box	

Estimated sales figures for Fiscal Year 2017

PRODUCT	STICKS
SF Red King Size Box	
SF Blue King Size Box	
SF Gray King Size Box	
SF Menthol Dark Green King Size Box	
SF Menthol Pale Green King Size Box	
SF Non-Filter King Size Soft Pack	
SF Red 100's Box	
SF Blue 100's Box	
SF Gray 100's Box	
SF Menthol Dark Green 100's Box	
SF Menthol Pale Green 100's Box	
RED SUN Regular King Size Box	
RED SUN Bold Cold Menthol King Size Box	



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November 28, 2017

Ms. Karen E. Delaney NASCO Products, LLC 321 Farmington Road Mocksville, NC 27028

Dear Ms. Delaney:

The Federal Trade 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. §§ 1331-1341 ("the Cigarette Act"). Pursuant to that delegation, I have reviewed a revised proposed plan filed by NASCO Products, LLC ("NASCO") on November 28, 2017, calling for simultaneous display (*i.e.*, the alternative to quarterly rotation) of the four health warnings on packaging for certain varieties of the SF brand of cigarettes.

NASCO's sales appear to qualify for the aforementioned alternative to quarterly rotation of warnings on packaging, and the warnings on the sample packs and cartons submitted with your November 11, 2014 letter continue to appear to meet the requirements of the Cigarette Act in force as of the date of this letter for size and conspicuousness.¹

Accordingly, NASCO's plan for simultaneous display of the four health warnings on packaging is hereby approved for the following eleven varieties of the SF brand: Red Box (Kings and 100's), Blue Box (Kings and 100's), Gray Box (Kings and 100's), Menthol Dark Green Box (Kings and 100's), Menthol Pale Green Box (Kings and 100's), and Non-Filter Kings Soft Pack.²

¹ NASCO stated in its November 28, 2017 letter that the four health warnings will appear exactly shown on the packs and cartons submitted on this date.

² As set forth in its November 28, 2017 letter, NASCO is using colors to identify its cigarette varieties (*e.g.*, "Menthol Dark Green 100's"). We note that the color names and the word "menthol" are not printed on the packaging (*e.g.*, the words "Menthol Dark Green" do not appear on the packaging of the "Menthol Dark Green 100's" variety); however, the color used for a variety's packaging does conform to the color used in its name.

Ms. Karen E. Delaney November 28, 2017 Page 2

Approval of the plan is contingent on its good faith implementation. We may ask for information demonstrating proper implementation of the plan.³ The Cigarette Act provides that any person who violates its provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Please note that this letter only approves NASCO's cigarette health warning statement rotation plan with respect to the statutory requirements in force prior to the June 22, 2009 enactment of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act ("FSPTCA") concerning the rotation, size, and conspicuousness of the warnings on NASCO's packaging. Moreover, it is not in any way an approval of any other design element, statement, or representation made on packaging or in advertising for NASCO's cigarettes. Nor does this letter purport to interpret or express any opinion about the adequacy of NASCO's packaging and advertising under the FSPTCA or any regulations that have been or might be promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services under that statute, including but not limited to the Regulations Restricting the Sale and Distribution of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco to Protect Children and Adolescents (published March 19, 2010).

Because the FSPTCA imposes additional legal requirements on the marketing and sale of cigarettes, you should ensure that you are in compliance with those requirements. For example, since September 22, 2009, the use of certain characterizing flavors (other than tobacco or menthol) in cigarettes has been prohibited. You can find additional information at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/default.htm, and sign up for FDA email updates at www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/ResourcesforYou/ucm176164.htm.

This approval is effective on the date of this letter and runs through November 27, 2018, or until the authority to approve cigarette health warning statement plans moves from the FTC to the FDA, whichever comes first.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact William Ducklow at (202) 326-2407.

Very truly yours,

May K. Engle

Mary K. Engle Associate Director

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