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Via Certified U.S. Mail & E-Mail

February 8, 2011

Nordstrom, Inc.
Dave Mackie
1700 7th Ave
Seattle, WA 98101

RE: NOTICE OF VIOLATION to Nordstrom (JCT #3522)
People v. Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corp. et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG 04-162075

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to you about an accessory purchased at Nordstrom in Irvine, California that violates the lead standards established in a consent judgment to which your company is a party, and that violates California Health and Safety Code section 25214.2(b)(3). This letter constitutes a Notice of Violation pursuant to Section 4.2 of the consent judgment. A copy of the consent judgment is available on our web site, at <http://ag.ca.gov/prop65/pdfs/-amendedConsent.pdf>.

The violation was observed in the buckle of a black and gold reversible head wrap made by Cara Accessories. The SKU is 610999767305. Our internal reference number is JCT 3522. (Please use the internal reference numbers in correspondence about this notice.)

Samples of this accessory were purchased at Nordstrom in Irvine on December 26, 2010. Test results indicate 46 percent lead in the buckle. A Photo of this piece, along with the test reports and supporting documentation, are enclosed with this notice.

Lead is a toxic metal that damages the nervous system and other organs. A part of your response to this notice under section 4.2.3 of the consent judgment, we request that you provide data about the amount of the different jewelry items offered for sale, sold, and removed from shelves in your stores in California. We also would like to know what the company will do with the jewelry that it will not sell in California, and what measures your company will take to prevent other jewelry with lead from being sold in the future.

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Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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