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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA MIAMI DIVISION

CASE NO. 07-21221-CIV-ALTONAGA/TURNOFF

RENEE BLASZKOWSKI, AMY HOLLUM, PATRICIA DAVIS, SUSAN PETERS, DEBORAH HOCK, MIKE FLOYD, BETH WILSON, CLAIRE KOTZAMPALTIRIS, DONNA HOPKINS-JONES, NICOLE PIAZZA, MARIAN LUPO, JANE HERRING, JO-ANN MURPHY, STEPHANIE STONE, PATRICIA HANRAHAN, DEBBIE RICE, ANN QUINN, SHARON MATHIESEN, SANDY SHORE, CAROLYN WHITE, LOU WIGGINS, MICHELLE LUCARELLI, RAUL ISERN, DANIELE VALORAS, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs/Class Representatives,

VS.

MARS, INC., MARS PETCARE US, INC., PROCTOR AND GAMBLE, CO., THE IAMS CO., COLGATE PALMOLIVE COMPANY, HILL'S PET NUTRITION, a Delaware Corporation, DEL MONTE FOODS, CO., NESTLE USA INC., NESTLE PURINA PETCARE CO., NESTLE S.A., NUTRO PRODUCTS INC., MENU FOODS, INC., MENU FOODS INCOME FUND, DOANE PET CARE ENTERPRISES, INC.. PUBLIX SUPERMARKETS, INC., NEW ALBERTSON'S INC., ALBERTSON'S LLC, THE KROGER CO. OF OHIO, SAFEWAY INC., H. E. BUTT GROCERY COMPANY, MEIJER INC., MEIJER SUPER MARKETS, INC., THE STOP & SHOP SUPERMARKET COMPANY, PETCO ANIMAL SUPPLIES STORES, INC., PET SUPERMARKET, INC., PET SUPPLIES "PLUS," PET SUPPLIES PLUS/USA INC., PETSMART INC., TARGET CORP., WAL-MART STORES, INC.,

Defendants.

THIRD AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT VERHEULEN IN SUPPORT OF JURISDICTIONAL DEFENDANTS' MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO CONDUCT PERSONAL JURISDICTION DISCOVERY

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## COUNTY OF KENT

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Robert VerHeulen, who upon being duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. My name is Robert VerHeulen. I am over the age of eighteen (18) years old, am competent to testify and have personal knowledge of the facts contained in this Affidavit;
  - 2. I am Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of Meijer, Inc.;
- 3. MeijerEcom, Inc., is a Michigan corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Meijer, Inc. MeijerEcom, Inc. is the entity that owns and operates Meijer.com. Commencing 12/1/07, MeijerEcom is also the entity that purchases the goods that are sold to consumers on Meijer.com. Before that date, the purchasing entity was Meijer Distribution, Inc., another wholly-owned subsidiary of Meijer, Inc.
- 4. Meijer, Inc. offers Meijer credit and charge cards to its customers. The cards are issued by GE Money Bank, a member of the General Electric Company ("GE") corporate family, and are not issued by Meijer, Inc. Meijer has no control whatsoever over where or how GE accepts or processes customer payments made on the Meijer credit or charge card, and has no contractual right whatsoever to supervise, direct, change or manage this payment acceptance or processing function.
- 5. The New True Track Smart System is a blood glucose monitor designed by Home Diagnostics, Inc. for Meijer customers and is available only at Meijer's retail stores, which do not operate in Florida

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ROBERT VERHEULEN

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## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

appeared Robert VerHeulen, who is personally known to me or who produced the following identification <u>driver's license</u> and he swore, subscribed and acknowledged before me that he executed the foregoing as his free act and deed as such officer or representative of said corporation or entity, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and that he did take an oath.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal in <u>Kent County</u>, <u>MI</u>.

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PAT A. BIGOROWSKI
Notary Public, Kent County, Michigan
Acting in Kent County
My Commission Expires July 1, 2012