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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Linda Franulovic, individually and on	§	
behalf of a class of persons,	§	
	§	
Plaintiffs,	§	
	§	Civil Action No. 07-539 (RMB)
V.	§	
	§	
The Coca-Cola Company,	§	
Defendant.	§	

#### NOTICE OF MOTION FOR CLASS CERTIFICATION

TO: Gita F. Rothschild, Esquire Peter J. Boyer, Esquire McCarter & English, LLP Four Gateway Center 100 Mulberry Street P.O. Box 652 Newark, NJ 07102-0652 Jane Thorpe Scott Elder Alston & Bird, LLP One Atlantic Center 1201 West Peachtree Street Atlanta, GA 30309-3424

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as soon hereafter as counsel may be heard and pursuant to the Court's Amended Scheduling Order of August 6, 2008, the undersigned, Mark R. Cuker, Esquire, of the law firm of WILLIAMS CUKER BEREZOFSKY, co-counsel for Plaintiff Linda Franulovic and the Class, shall make application before the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey for an order declaring that this action be maintained, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and 23(b)(2), as a class action on behalf of the following class:

All persons in the State of New Jersey who purchased the soft drink Enviga manufactured and marketed by Defendant from November 1, 2006 through the date this class is certified, excluding Defendant itself and its officers, directors, affiliates, legal representatives, heirs, successors, employees, and assignees;

or such other class or subclasses as the Court may deem appropriate. Specifically excluded from any such class or subclasses are Defendant and any and all of its officers, directors, affiliates, legal representatives, heirs, successors, employees, and assignees.

Plaintiff further moves for an order designating herself, Plaintiff Linda Franulovic, as representative for the Class.

Plaintiff further moves for an order designating Mark R. Cuker and Michael J.

Quirk of Williams Cuker Berezofsky and Stephen Gardner of Center for Science in the

Public Interest as Class Counsel.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that at the aforesaid time and place

Plaintiff shall rely on the accompanying Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support of Plaintiff's Motion for Class Certification and the accompanying Affidavit of Mark R. Cuker and exhibits thereto.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that Plaintiff requests oral argument and respectfully requests that the Court grant the same pursuant to Local Court Rules 7.1(b)(4) and 78.1(b).

WILLIAMS CUKER BEREZOFSKY

Counsel for Plaintiff and the Proposed Class

By:\_\_\_\_

Mark R. Cuker

Dated: October 21, 2008

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notice of Motion for Class Certification and all papers submitted in support thereof have been served via ECF and by first-class mail upon the following counsel for Defendant:

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# ORDER CERTIFYING PLAINTIFF CLASS AND DESIGNATING CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

**ORDERED** that the motion is hereby **GRANTED**. This action shall be

maintained as a class action in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(2) on behalf of a class (the "Class") consisting of:

All persons in the State of New Jersey who purchased the soft drink Enviga manufactured and marketed by Defendant from November 1, 2006 through the date this class is certified, excluding Defendant itself and its officers, directors, affiliates, legal representatives, heirs, successors, employees, and assignees

pursuant to the following findings of fact:

- 1. The Class consists of at least several thousand members, which is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable.
- 2. There are questions of law and/or fact common to the Class, including, but not limited to, the following:
- a) whether Defendant advertised and/or branded its soft drink product Enviga as having "calorie burning" effects;
- b) whether Defendant and Enviga's "calorie burning" message would lead a reasonable consumer to perceive a promise of weight-loss or weight-management from drinking Enviga;
- c) whether Defendant had sufficient substantiation for its "calorie burning" promises at the time it made them;
- d) whether, in light of the foregoing, Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to injunctive relief prohibiting Defendant from advertising and branding Enviga as having "calorie burning" effects.
  - 3. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the class.
- 4. Plaintiff's interests are aligned with and not antagonistic to the interests of the Class. Plaintiff and her counsel will fairly and adequately assert and protect the

interests of the Class.

5. Plaintiff has sufficiently alleged that Defendant has acted or refused to act on grounds that apply generally to the Class, so that final injunctive relief and corresponding declaratory relief would be appropriate respecting the Class as a whole.

Based on the foregoing, it is therefore,

**ORDERED**, that the Class is hereby certified and defined pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(2) as consisting of the following:

All persons in the State of New Jersey who purchased the soft drink Enviga manufactured and marketed by Defendant from November 1, 2006 through the date this class is certified, excluding Defendant itself and its officers, directors, affiliates, legal representatives, heirs, successors, employees, and assignees.

Excluded from the Class are Defendant and any and all of its officers, directors, affiliates, legal representatives, heirs, successors, employees, and assignees; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that Plaintiff Linda Franulovic is certified as Class Representative; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that Mark R. Cuker and Michael J. Quirk of Williams Cuker

Berezofsky and Stephen Gardner of Center for Science in the Public Interest shall serve

as Co-Lead Counsel.

The Honorable Renee Marie Bumb United States District Judge