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Testimony Before the Senate Health Care and Human Services Committee on SB 1569

February 4, 2014

**Helen Anderson, RN, CLE
Founder, Chief Operations Officer Milkies LLC**

Chair Monnes Anderson and members of the Senate Health Care and Human Services Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify today. My name is Helen Anderson, and I am the founder of Milkies LLC. As an Oregon business owner, a registered nurse, and a mother, I fully support Senate Bill 1569.

Milkies is a global company based in McMinnville, Oregon. We manufacture patented products for breastfeeding moms. Milkies products are sold throughout Oregon, nationwide and exported to 35 countries. Milkies are also approved by the USDA and are provided by Women, Infants, & Children (WIC) clinics to support breastfeeding in their vulnerable population.

As a registered nurse with a focus on lactation education, I designed Milkies to support families with information and useful products that help mothers reach their breastfeeding goals. My products are trusted by mothers around the globe to be practical, user friendly and safe.

Milkies cares about the safety of the materials that make up our products. Everything we make is free of chemicals of concern like BPA and phthalates, and we have done rigorous testing to ensure zero chemical leaching. The impact of testing on our bottom line was small – it was simple, required three product samples, and cost around \$800. Furthermore, the test results do not expire, so testing is a one-time cost.

Our material is FDA-approved; however many countries require a higher safety standard. For example, in order to export to Europe, Argentina and Japan, we needed to provide our distributors the lab results showing our products did not contain BPA or other toxic chemicals. FDA safety standards are simply not high enough, and our international sellers required lab test results proving our products do not contain BPA and other toxins.

Babies can be exposed to toxic chemicals through their mother's milk and are especially vulnerable to the hazards of these exposures because they're still developing. There's no sense in allowing toxic chemicals in products that babies come into contact with. Infants in other countries are protected from these chemicals; it's time to show the same concern for our children here in Oregon.

I also support SB 1569 because it will make a big difference to small businesses like ours that have invested in developing safer products and avoiding hazardous chemicals. By requiring greater transparency in Oregon's marketplace and holding manufacturers responsible for phasing out hazardous chemicals of concern in products for kids, this legislation will help other manufacturers to be good actors like Milkies.

SB 1569 is an opportunity for Oregon to continue its strong leadership to protect human health by reducing exposures to toxic chemicals in our everyday lives. This is the time to act to protect the next generation of Oregonians.

I urge you to pass SB 1569 and thank the distinguished members of the committee for your consideration.

Helen Anderson, RN, CLE
Owner, Milkies LLC



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Attn: Helen Anderson

The following sample(s) was/were submitted
and identified by/on behalf of the client as:

3 Soft Clear Passive Milk Collectors, Fits in Bra
Color: Clear

Sample Received Date:

7/6/2009

Testing Period:

7/7/2009- 7/10/2009

- Test Requested:**
- 1.) In accordance with the RoHS Directive 2002/95/EC and its amendment directives.
 - 2.) To determine the phthalate content (DBP, BBP, DEHP, DINP, DNOP & DIDP) in the submitted sample(s).
 - 3.) To Determine the Antimony, Arsenic, Selenium and Barium Content in the submitted sample.

- Test Method:**
- 1.) With reference to **IEC 62321, 2nd Ed. 111/54/CDV**
Procedures for the Determination of Levels of Regulated Substances in
Electro technical Products.
 - (1) Determination of Cadmium by ICP.
 - (2) Determination of Lead by ICP.
 - (3) Determination of Mercury by ICP.
 - (4) Determination of Hexavalent Chromium for non-metallic samples by UV-Vis Spectrophotometer.
 - 2.) With reference to ASTM D3421:1975.
Analysis was performed by Gas Chromatograph / Mass Spectrometer (GC/MS).
 - 3.) Acid digestion followed by Inductively Coupled Argon Plasma – Atomic Emission Spectrometry Analysis.

Test Result(s): Please refer to next page(s).

Signed for and on behalf of SGS US Testing Co.

Diane Santino
Manager, Chemistry Laboratory

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1.) Test results by chemical method:

Test Items	Method (refer to)	Result	MDL	RoHS Limit
Cadmium (Cd)	(1)	ND	5	100
Lead (Pb)	(2)	ND	2	1000
Mercury (Hg)	(3)	ND	5	1000
Hexavalent Chromium [Cr(VI)]	(4)	ND	5	1000

Note :

1. mg/kg = ppm
2. MDL = Method Detection Limit
3. ND = Not Detected = denoted less than reporting limit

2.) Phthalates

Method: With reference to ASTM D3421-75. Analysis was performed by Gas Chromatography / Mass Spectrometry.

For all Toys and childcare articles

Test item	1	Permissible Limit
Dibutyl Phthalate (DBP)	ND	0.1%
Benzylbutyl Phthalate (BBP)	ND	0.1%
Bis-(2-ethylhexyl) Phthalate (DEHP)	0.0012	0.1%
Conclusion	PASS	---

For all Toys that can be placed in the mouth and childcare articles

Test item	1	Permissible Limit
Diisononyl Phthalate (DINP)	ND	0.1%
Di-n-octyl Phthalate (DNOP)	ND	0.1%
Diisodecyl Phthalate (DIDP)	ND	0.1%
Conclusion	PASS	---

Sample Description :

1. Clear Plastic Material

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Note:

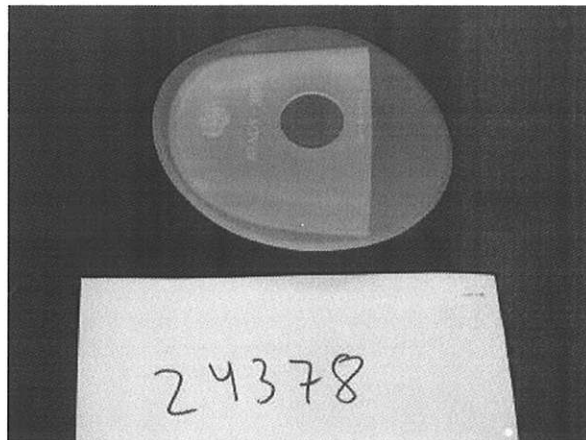
1. % = percentage by weight
2. ND = not detected
3. Method Detection Limit for each = 0.0005%
4. Effective Date = February 10, 2009
5. A "children's toy" means a product intended for a child 12 years of age or younger for use when playing, and a "child care article" means a product that a child 3 and younger would use for sleeping, feeding, sucking or teething.

3.) Test Results: Lead in accessible substrate materials

Method: Acid digestion followed by Inductively Coupled Argon Plasma – Atomic Emission Spectrometry Analysis or Atomic Absorption Spectrometer (AAS).

Sample Component Tested	Lead Content (ppm)	Antimony	Arsenic	Seienium	Barium	MDL
Clear Material	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	2 ppm

Sample Photo :



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*** End of Report ***

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