



**WHAT IS CALIFORNIA PROP 65 AND WHY DOES GF HEALTH PRODUCTS, INC. ("GF") LIST A WARNING RELATIVE TO THIS ON ITS PRODUCTS?**

By way of general background, California's Proposition 65, the "Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986," is legislation that was originally designed to create a market mechanism for minimizing the presence of toxic chemicals in California, particularly in the water supply. It requires the California Attorney General to create and regularly update a list of chemicals "known to the State of California to cause cancer, reproductive or developmental harm." The list of chemicals was first published in 1987 and is updated at least once a year. There are currently over 800 chemicals on the list. These chemicals are often present in common household products such as foods, drugs, dyes, and solvents and are also used in manufacturing and construction.

Unfortunately, this piece of legislation has created the unintended consequence of subjecting businesses that are in compliance with all safety standards to lawsuits and threatened lawsuits. In an effort to avoid this unintended consequence, GF has joined a number of other national manufacturers and distributors who have determined that it is simply better business to attach a Prop 65 Warning to all of our products, than to become embroiled in needless litigation, the costs of which eventually find their way to the end user.

Rest assured that GF takes its obligation to provide safe products very seriously. GF is proud that its brands have been serving the public since as early as the 1930s. GF will continue to take all precautions necessary to provide GF brand products to the public in a safe and cost effective manner.

If you would like to learn more about California Proposition 65, you may wish to review the information located <http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html>.

Thank you for your continued business.