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IN RE: Ormco Corporation	)	CIVIL DIVISION Docket No. <u>673.9-13</u> Wn CV
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## ASSURANCE OF DISCONTINUANCE

Vermont Attorney General William H. Sorrell ("the Attorney General") and Ormco Corporation ("Respondent") hereby agree to this Assurance of Discontinuance pursuant to 9 V.S.A. § 2459.

#### BACKGROUND

- 1. The Prescribed Products Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. § 4632, requires prescribed product manufacturers to file periodic reports with the Attorney General's Office detailing certain information about the allowable expenditures and permitted gifts the manufacturer gives to Vermont health care providers and other recipients covered under the law.
- 2. Respondent, Ormco Corporation, is a prescribed product manufacturer incorporated under the laws of Delaware, with its principal place of business located at 1717 West Collins Avenue, Orange, CA 92867.
- 3. Ormco Corporation gave allowable expenditures and/or permitted gifts to Vermont health care providers and/or other recipients covered under the Prescribed Products

  Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. § 4632, during fiscal year 2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010), fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011) and calendar year 2011 (July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011).
- 4. Ormco Corporation failed to file annual reports with the Attorney General's Office for fiscal year 2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010), fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011) and calendar year 2011 (July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011).

5. The above conduct constitutes a violation of the Prescribed Products Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. § 4632.

#### INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

- 6. Ormco Corporation shall comply with the Prescribed Products Gift Ban and Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. §§ 4631a, 4632.
- 7. Within 30 days of signing this Assurance of Discontinuance, Ormco Corporation shall make payment to the "State of Vermont" in the amount of \$1,250.00, and send to: Kate Whelley McCabe, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609, in full payment of the registration fees owed under 18 V.S.A. § 4632 for fiscal year 2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010), fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011) and calendar year 2011 (July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011).

#### **OTHER TERMS**

- Ormco Corporation agrees that this Assurance of Discontinuance shall be binding on
   Ormco Corporation and its successors and assigns.
- 9. The Attorney General hereby releases and discharges any and all claims arising under the Prescribed Products Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. § 4632, that it may have against Ormco Corporation for the conduct described in the Background section for fiscal year 2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010), fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011) and calendar year 2011 (July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011). The Attorney General does NOT release any claims arising under the Prescribed Product Gift Ban, 18 V.S.A.

§ 4631a.

10. The Superior Court of the State of Vermont, Washington Unit, shall have jurisdiction over this Assurance and the parties hereto for the purpose of enabling the Attorney General to apply to this Court at any time for orders and directions as may be necessary or appropriate to enforce compliance with or to punish violations of this Assurance of Discontinuance.

#### STIPULATED PENALTIES

11. If the Superior Court of the State of Vermont, Washington Unit, enters an order finding Respondent to be in violation of this Assurance of Discontinuance by having violated the Prescribed Products Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. § 4632, then the parties agree that penalties to be assessed by the Court for each act in violation of this Assurance of Discontinuance shall be \$10,000. For purposes of this Section, the term "each act" shall mean each violation of the Prescribed Products Gift Ban and Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. §§ 4631a, 4632 that occurs after the date this Assurance of Discontinuance is executed. This Section 11 on Stipulated Penalties shall expire no later than ten years from the effective date of this Assurance of Discontinuance with no further action necessary by the parties. If after expiration of this Section 11 the Superior Court of the State of Vermont, Washington Unit enters an order finding Respondent to be in violation of this Assurance of Discontinuance by having violated the Prescribed Products Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. § 4632, any such failure to report shall be governed by the terms of the Prescribed Products Disclosure Law, 18 V.S.A. § 4632(c).

## NOTICE

12. Respondent may be located at:

Gina Marie Nese Chief Compliance Officer Dental Equipment and Consumables Legal Department 1717 Collins Avenue Orange, CA 92867

13. Respondent shall notify the Attorney General of any change of business name or address within 20 business days.

### **SIGNATURE**

In lieu of instituting an action or proceeding against Ormco Corporation, the Office of the Attorney General, pursuant to 9 V.S.A. § 2459, accepts this Assurance of Discontinuance. By signing below, Respondent voluntarily agrees with and submits to the terms of this Assurance of Discontinuance.

DATED at Orange, CA, this 4 day of September, 2013.

ACCEPTED on behalf of the Attorney General:

DATED at Montpelier, Vermont this day of Septem, 2013.

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