



Date: **January 26, 2009**

To: **Klean Kanteen Retail Customers**

Subject: **Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act compliance**

As many of you are aware, the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) requires limited lead concentrations and zero detectable phthalates for products, and paints or surface coatings applied to products, that are manufactured for use primarily by children 12 and under. A timeline for decreasing the acceptable lead limits has also been established under CPSIA. We recognize that children regularly come into contact with Klean Kanteens and associated accessories. Therefore, we are ensuring CPSIA requirements are met for all our products, and providing this documentation of compliance to retail customers upon request. A brief description of CPSIA requirements followed by the Klean Kanteen compliance status is provided herein for your information.

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- As of **February 10, 2009**, children's products must be tested by the manufacturer or a laboratory to ensure lead content does not exceed a concentration of 600 parts per million (ppm), and that the phthalates DEHP, DBP, BBP, DINP, DIDP, and DnOP are not present. Third-party testing and certification to ensure lead content in paint or other surface coatings on children's products does not exceed 600 ppm became a CPSIA requirement as of December 22, 2008.¹

In addition, shipments of children's products, whether imported or domestically produced, must be accompanied by a general conformity certificate to verify a test of the product was completed and lead and phthalate limits were met. That certificate of conformity must be provided by an importer or U.S. manufacturer to their retail or distributor customers. *We began receiving a certificate of conformity from our sourcing agent for all shipments beginning in December 2008. In addition, we maintain lab analyses for Klean Kanteen products which document CPSIA compliance for pre-existing inventory. We have received CPSIA compliance documentation for the Built NY products currently distributed by Klean Kanteen, and have requested compliance documentation from Avent for their sippy spouts.*

- As of **August 14, 2009**, third-party testing and certification will be required for measurement of lead content in children's products, and the maximum lead content will drop to 300 ppm. The lead limit for paint and surface coating will drop to 90 ppm.

¹ The Consumer Product Safety Commission has stated its intent to apply lead limits to pre-existing inventory, while phthalate limits will be in effect only for products manufactured after 2/10/2009.

Third-party testing will also be required for phthalate testing by September 2009. In addition, tracking labels with certain information pertaining to source of product, manufacture date, and manufacture batch or lot will be required on every child product. *Klean Kanteen is working now with our sourcing agent and overseas manufacturing partner to ensure we are prepared for these significant additions to our quality control and labeling program.*

- As of **August 14, 2011**, the lead limit for children's products will drop for a final time to 100 ppm.

We will continue to watch the Consumer Product Safety Commission's web site for further updates on CPSIA, and welcome you to do the same (<http://www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/cpsia.html>). While other reusable beverage bottle companies may be unwilling or unable to shoulder the added economical and logistical responsibilities of CPSIA, Klean Kanteen is ready and willing to move forward with the new requirements. Please contact Danielle Cresswell at danielle@kleankanteen.com with any questions on this matter.

With best wishes from our family to yours,

Jeff Cresswell and Michelle Kalberer
Owners