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To Whom It May Concern

Subject : Request to be considered a contributor to the work of Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint

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Pacific Paint (Boysen) Philippines, Inc. endorses the goals and objectives of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint and wishes to be considered a contributor to the work of the Global Alliance.

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Pacific Paint (Boysen) Philippines, Inc. would like to participate in providing technical expertise in the areas of (1) environmental aspects (2) health aspects (3) worker's health (4) legislation and regulation and (5) outreach to industry.

Website:
www.boysen.com.ph

We understand that this letter of intent is not legally binding and that a copy of this letter of commitment and the name of Pacific Paint (Boysen) Philippines, Inc. will be publicly listed on the Global Alliance web site.

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Sincerely yours,

Johnson D. Ongking
Vice President
Pacific Paint (Boysen) Philippines, Inc.

Article #01

Title: BOYSEN® participates in the National Inception Workshop on Lead in Paint Elimination Project

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Title: 'Use Lead-safe Paints for Brigada Eskwela Renovations,' Organizers Told

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From left to right: Mr. Manny Calonzo-co-chair IPEN, Mr. Willam Menrath- University of Cincinnati, Mr. Johnson D. Ongking- President PAPM, Mr. Matthieu Penot- Attaché, European Union Delegation to the Phils., Ms. Angelita Brabante- DENR-EMB, Mr. Edwin Alejo- National Coordinator Ecowaste Coalition and Archt. Ernesto Antonio Nasol of the Phil. Institute of Architects

Pacific Paint (Boysen) Phils., Inc. represented by Mr. Johnson D. Ongking, Mr. Vergel Dyoco and Gretchen A. Fontejon, participated in the recently concluded National Inception Workshop on Lead in Paint Elimination Project organized by the Ecological Waste Coalition of the Philippines (EcoWaste Coalition) last October 12, 2012 at the Occupational Safety and Health Center in Quezon City. The workshop aims to let public know about the existence and current implementation of the **Elimination of Lead in Paint project.**

The said activity was attended by different sectors from paint industry, hardware association, medical field, academe, youth sector, laborer's groups, architectural and construction firms, consumer's groups, individual advocates, governmental institutions and civil society organization, where attendees were welcomed by **Mr. Matthieu Penot**, Attaché, Environment and Energy of the European Union Delegation to the Philippines.

"As a socially responsible company, Boysen" is an ardent supporter and participant in eliminating lead in all its products. A commitment and action which we have done so as early as 2007," Pacific Paint (Boysen) Philippines, Inc. vice president Johnson D. Ongking said.

One of the highlights of the workshop was the discussion on **"Preventing Childhood Lead Exposure through Lead Paint Elimination, Education and Abatement"** given by **William Menrath**, a senior research associate of the University of Cincinnati and Director of Great Lakes Regional Occupational Safety and Health Education Center, followed by the responses from the different sectors: **Mr. Johnson D. Ongking**, President of Philippine Association of Paint Manufacturers (PAPM), **Ms. Angelita Brabante** of the DENR-EMB, **Archt. Ernesto Antonino Nasol** of the Philippine Institute of Architects.



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'Use Lead-safe Paints for Brigada Eskwela Renovations,' Organizers Told

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Quezon City. Two weeks before classes resume on June 1, an environmental watchdog has reminded Brigada Eskwela organizers and volunteers nationwide to observe lead-safe work practices as public elementary and secondary schools undergo repair and renovation.

"The annual Brigada Eskwela provides school communities a great opportunity of promoting lead-safety consciousness among the participants of various cleanup and makeover activities," said Jeiel Guarino, Lead Paint Elimination Campaigner, EcoWaste Coalition.

"The prevention of the toxic risk posed by lead in paint, dust and soil should be prioritized in every Brigada Eskwela operation as it poses grave threat to the well-being of young children," he said.

"Oil-based enamel paints containing lead are still being sold in the market. Lead is a neurotoxin that damages children's mental, cognitive and behavioral development—and thus, must not be used at all in schools and other places frequented by children," he added.

Guarino also emphasized that improper removal of leaded paint in school classrooms and facilities should be prohibited in Brigada Eskwela activities as the lead dust that may be created from these renovation activities may cause serious health problems for all participants, with the children at highest risk of exposure through accidental ingestion due to their normal hand-to-mouth behavior.

The World Health Organization (WHO) has described exposure to lead through ingestion, inhalation and, sometimes, through skin absorption as being "irreversible" and "untreatable," and has listed lead as one of the "ten chemicals of major public health concern," estimating that childhood lead exposure contributes to about 600,000 new cases of children with intellectual disabilities every year.

Pacific Paint (Boysen®) Philippines, Inc. is both an active participant in the annual Brigada Eskwela initiative and more importantly the removal of lead in paints. **"Our company is serious in its commitment to produce paints that are safe for the environment and people who use our products," Boysen® Paints vice president Johnson D. Ongking said.** "Boysen® has eliminated lead from all its paint since 2007, ensuring that the paints we give to Brigada Eskwela are free from any material that could endanger the health of schoolchildren and school personnel," Ongking added.

Towards a lead safe Brigada Eskwela, the EcoWaste Coalition recommends the following basic precautionary steps:

1. Use lead-safe paint for school interiors, exteriors, furniture and fixtures. Specify lead-safe paints for donations from individuals and institutions.
2. Keep children and pregnant women out of the work area, as lead is very hazardous to unborn children.
3. Do not disturb lead painted surfaces in good condition.
4. Cover cracked or deteriorated surfaces with lead-safe paint. Do not dry sand or dry scrape painted surfaces.
5. Wet sand or wet scrape if desired or needed. Use a spray bottle or wet sponge to keep the surface damp and the airborne dust levels low.
6. Do not eat, drink or smoke in the work area.
7. Work clean: create little dust as possible, clean up thoroughly and dispose of paint waste properly.
8. Thoroughly wash hands with soap and water after any repainting work.
9. After a repainting job, change clothes before going home, set aside in a sealed reusable bag and wash separately.



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In keeping with the company's commitment to produce safer and more environmentally friendly paint products, all BOYSEN® paint products coming out of its factories, whether water or oil-based, are lead free. BOYSEN® voluntarily phased out its last product that contained lead which is the Red Lead Primer in 2007 and has worked steadily since then to ensure that all of its paint products now and in the future will not use raw materials with lead content such as lead or chromate based pigments or lead driers.

BOYSEN® Paints was also the first Filipino paint manufacturer to introduce mercury free latex paint in the country back in the late 1970s. Since then, BOYSEN® has been an innovator in introducing environmentally friendly paint technologies on a national and regional level. It was the first company in Southeast Asia to introduce a water-based metal primer (BOYSEN® Primeguard™) and a water-based acrylic epoxy paint (BOYSEN® Acqua Epoxy™).

In line with new international standards on volatile organic compound (VOC) levels for paint, BOYSEN® has introduced low VOC paints such as BOYSEN® Healthy Home™ with Microban® antibacterial protection and Virtuoso™ Silk Touch™, the first paint in the world with both Teflon® non-stick technology and Microban®. In 2009, BOYSEN® introduced KNOxOUT™, the first air cleaning paint in the world with CristalActiv photocatalytic technology that effectively transforms painted areas into an air purifying surfaces that helps protect people from the ill health effects of air pollutants such as nitrogen oxides (NOx) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

Pacific Paint (BOYSEN®) Philippines, Inc. and its contract manufacturer Atlantic Coatings, Inc. are the first and only paint companies in the Philippines to be accredited Responsible Care®, the global chemical industry's environment, health and safety initiative to drive continuous improvement in performance in these areas. Its manufacturing facility is also the only plant in the country that is ISO 9001:2008, ISO 14001:2004, and OHSAS 18001:2007 certified; signifying that the plant's quality, environmental and occupational health and safety management systems are in accordance with the highest international standards.

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