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Chairman and CEO
Tupperware Brands Corporation
14901 S. Orange Blossom Trail
Orlando, FL 32837

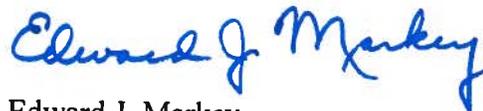
Dear Mr. Goings:

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2. What percentage of your company's reusable food and beverage containers are made with substances constructed using BPA?

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions about this request, please contact Dr. Avenel Joseph of my staff at 202-225-2836.

Sincerely,



Edward J. Markey

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H. Fisk Johnson
Chairman & CEO
S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc.
1525 Howe St
Racine, WI 53403-2237

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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Albert Stone
Chairman
Sterilite Corporation
30 Scales Ln.
Townsend, MA 01469

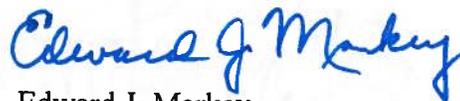
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cc: David Stone, President, Sterilite Corporation

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Michael B. Polk
President, CEO, and Director
Newell Rubbermaid Inc.
3 Glenlake Pkwy.
Atlanta, GA 30328

Dear Mr. Polk:

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George Hamilton
CEO
Home Products International
4501 W. 47th St.
Chicago, IL 60632

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Donald R. Knauss
CEO
Glad Products Company
1221 Broad Way
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Knauss:

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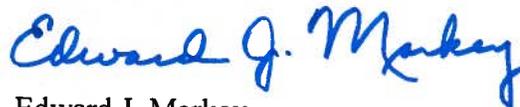
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