# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 3253

**ROGER PETERS** 

1401 West Fremont Street Stockton, CA 95203

Designated Representative Certificate No. EXC 15686

Respondent.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This decision shall become effective on December 31, 2009.

It is so ORDERED on December 1, 2009.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 3253	
VALLEY WHOLESALE DRUG	OAH No. 2009050940	
1401 West Fremont Street		
Original Wholesale Permit No. WLS 1410,	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER	
and	(RESPONDENT ROGER PETERS)	
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about January 6, 2003, the Board of Pharmacy issued Original Certificate No. EXC 15686 to Roger Peters (Respondent) to act as a designated representative in California. The Original Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation and First Amended Accusation No. 3253 and will expire on July 1, 2010, unless renewed.

### **JURISDICTION**

3. Accusation No. 3253 was filed before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on April 24, 2009. The First Amended Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondents on July 31, 2009. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of the First Amended Accusation No. 3253 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

#### ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 4. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 3253. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 5. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 6. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

### **CULPABILITY**

- 7. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in the Accusation and First Amended Accusation No. 3253. The admissions made herein are only for the purposes of settlement and may not be used against Respondent in any civil or criminal proceeding
- 8. Respondent agrees that his Original Certificate to act as a designated representative is subject to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board of Pharmacy (Board)'s imposition of discipline as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

### **CONTINGENCY**

- 9. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Pharmacy. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Pharmacy may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or its counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw its agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 10. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 11. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

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12. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

### **DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Original Certificate No. EXC 15686 issued to Respondent Roger Peters to act as a designated representative in California is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for five (5) years on the following terms and conditions.

### 1. Obey All Laws

Respondent shall obey all state and federal laws and regulations. Respondent shall report any of the following occurrences to the board, in writing, within seventy-two (72) hours of such occurrence:

- n arrest or issuance of a criminal complaint for violation of any provision of the

  Pharmacy Law, state and federal food and drug laws, or state and federal controlled substances laws
- an arrest or issuance of a criminal complaint for violation of any state or federal law
- a plea of guilty or nolo contendre in any state or federal criminal proceeding to any criminal complaint, information or indictment
- □ a conviction of any crime
- discipline, citation, or other administrative action filed by any state or federal agency which involves Respondent's Original Certificate to act as a designated representative in California or which is related to the practice of pharmacy or the manufacturing, obtaining, handling or distribution or billing or charging for of any drug, device or controlled substance.

Failure to timely report any such occurrence shall be considered a violation of probation.

### 2. Report to the Board

Respondent shall report to the Board quarterly, on a schedule as directed by the Board or its

designee. The report shall be made either in person or in writing, as directed. Among other requirements, Respondent shall state in each report under penalty of perjury whether there has been compliance with all the terms and conditions of probation. Failure to submit timely reports in a form as directed shall be considered a violation of probation. Any period(s) of delinquency in submission of reports as directed may be added to the total period of probation. Moreover, if the final probation report is not made as directed, probation shall be automatically extended until such time as the final report is made and accepted by the Board.

#### 3. Interview with the Board

Upon receipt of reasonable prior notice, Respondent shall appear in person for interviews with the Board or its designee, upon request at such intervals and locations as are determined by the Board or its designee. Failure to appear for any scheduled interview without prior notification to board staff, or failure to appear for two (2) or more scheduled interviews with the Board or its designee during the period of probation, shall be considered a violation of probation.

### 4. Cooperate with Board Staff

Respondent shall cooperate with the Board's inspection program and with the Board's monitoring and investigation of respondent's compliance with the terms and conditions of their probation. Failure to cooperate shall be considered a violation of probation.

### 5. Notice to Employers

During the period of probation, Respondent shall notify all present and prospective employers of the decision in case number 3253 and the terms, conditions and restrictions imposed on Respondent by the decision, as follows:

Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of Respondent undertaking any new employment, Respondent shall cause their direct supervisor, designated representative-in-charge (including each new designated representative-in-charge employed during respondent's tenure of employment) and owner to report to the Board in writing acknowledging that the listed individual(s) has/have read the decision in case number 3253 and terms and conditions imposed thereby. It shall be Respondent's responsibility to ensure that their employer(s) and/or supervisor(s) submit timely acknowledgement(s) to the Board.

If Respondent works for or is employed by or through a pharmacy employment service, Respondent must notify their direct supervisor, designated representative-in-charge and owner at each entity licensed by the Board of the terms and conditions of the decision in case number 3253 in advance of the Respondent commencing work at each licensed entity. A record of this notification must be provided to the Board upon request.

Furthermore, within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of Respondent undertaking any new employment by or through a pharmacy employment service, Respondent shall cause their direct supervisor with the pharmacy employment service to report to the Board in writing acknowledging that they have read the decision in case number 3253 and the terms and conditions imposed thereby. It shall be the Respondent's responsibility to ensure that their employer(s) and/or supervisor(s) submit timely acknowledgment(s) to the Board.

Failure to timely notify present or prospective employer(s) or to cause that/those employer(s) to submit timely acknowledgements to the Board shall be considered a violation of probation.

"Employment" within the meaning of this provision shall include any full-time, part-time, temporary or relief service or pharmacy management service as a designated representative or in any position for which a designated representative license is a requirement or criterion for employment, whether the respondent is considered an employee or independent contractor or volunteer.

### 6. No Being Designated Representative-in-Charge

During the period of probation, Respondent shall not be the designated representative-incharge of any entity licensed by the Board other than Respondent Valley Wholesale Drug Company, Inc. Assumption of any such unauthorized supervision responsibilities shall be considered a violation of probation.

### 7. Probation Monitoring Costs

Respondent shall pay any costs associated with probation monitoring as determined by the Board each and every year of probation. Such costs shall be payable to the Board on a schedule as directed by the Board or its designee. Failure to pay such costs by the deadline(s) as directed shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 8. Status of License

Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain an active, current designated representative license with the Board, including any period during which suspension or probation is tolled. Failure to maintain an active, current license shall be considered a violation of probation.

If Respondent's designated representative license expires or is cancelled by operation of law or otherwise at any time during the period of probation, including any extensions thereof due to tolling or otherwise, upon renewal or reapplication Respondent's license shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this probation not previously satisfied.

### 9. License Surrender While on Probation/Suspension

Following the effective date of this decision, should Respondent cease work due to retirement or health, or be otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, Respondent may tender their designated representative license to the Board for surrender. The Board or its designee shall have the discretion whether to grant the request for surrender or take any other action it deems appropriate and reasonable. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender of the license, Respondent will no longer be subject to the terms and conditions of probation. This surrender constitutes a record of discipline and shall become a part of the Respondent's license history with the Board.

Upon acceptance of the surrender, Respondent shall relinquish their designated representative license to the board within ten (10) days of notification by the Board that the surrender is accepted. Respondent may not reapply for any license, permit, or registration from the board for three (3) years from the effective date of the surrender. Respondent shall meet all

requirements applicable to the license sought as of the date the application for that license is submitted to the Board.

## 10. Notification of a Change in Name, Residence Address, Mailing Address or Employment

Respondent shall notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of any change of employment. Said notification shall include the reasons for leaving and the address of the new employer, supervisor and owner and work schedule, if known. Respondent shall further notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of a change in name, residence address and mailing address, or phone number.

Failure to timely notify the Board of any change in employer(s), name(s), address(es), or phone number(s) shall be considered a violation of probation.

### 11. Tolling of Probation

Except during periods of suspension, Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, be employed as a designated representative in California for a minimum of 40 hours per calendar month. Any month during which this minimum is not met shall toll the period of probation, i.e., the period of probation shall be extended by one month for each month during which this minimum is not met. During any such period of tolling of probation, Respondent must nonetheless comply with all terms and conditions of probation.

Should Respondent, regardless of residency, for any reason (including vacation) cease working as a designated representative for a minimum of 40 hours in California, respondent must notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of cessation of work and must further notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of the resumption of work. Any failure to provide such notification(s) shall be considered a violation of probation.

It is a violation of probation for Respondent's probation to remain tolled pursuant to the provisions of this condition for a total period, counting consecutive and non-consecutive months, exceeding thirty-six (36) months.

"Cessation of work" means any calendar month during which Respondent is not working as a designated representative for at least 40 hours as a designated representative as defined by

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Business and Professions Code section 4053. "Resumption of work" means any calendar month during which Respondent is working as a designated representative for at least 40 hours as a designated representative as defined by Business and Professions Code section 4053.

#### 12. Violation of Probation

If Respondent has not complied with any term or condition of probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction over Respondent, and probation shall automatically be extended until all terms and conditions have been satisfied or the Board has taken other action as deemed appropriate to treat the failure to comply as a violation of probation, to terminate probation, and to impose the penalty that was stayed.

If Respondent violates probation in any respect, the Board, after giving Respondent notice and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that was stayed. Notice and opportunity to be heard are not required for those provisions stating that a violation thereof may lead to automatic termination of the stay and/or revocation of the license. If a petition to revoke probation or an accusation is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction, and the period of probation shall be automatically extended, until the petition to revoke probation or accusation is heard and decided.

### 13. Completion of Probation

Upon written notice by the Board indicating successful completion of probation, Respondent's designated representative license will be fully restored.

### 14. Suspension

As part of probation, Respondent is suspended from working as a designated representative for ten (10) days beginning the effective date of this decision.

During suspension, Respondent shall not enter any pharmacy area or any portion of the licensed premises of a wholesaler, veterinary food-animal drug retailer or any other distributor of drugs licensed by the Board, or any drug manufacturer, or any other location where dangerous drugs and devices or controlled substances are maintained. Respondent shall not perform any of the duties of a designated representative, nor do any act involving drug selection, selection of stock, manufacturing, dispensing; nor shall respondent manage, administer, or be a consultant to

any licensee of the Board, or have access to or control the ordering, manufacturing or dispensing of dangerous drugs and devices and controlled substances. Respondent shall not resume work until notified by the Board.

Respondent shall not direct, control or perform any aspect involving the distribution of dangerous drugs and devices and controlled substances. Subject to the above restrictions, Respondent may continue to own or hold an interest in any licensed entity in which he or she holds an interest at the time this decision becomes effective unless otherwise specified in this order.

Failure to comply with this suspension shall be considered a violation of probation.

### 15. No Ownership of Licensed Premises

Respondent shall not own, have any legal or beneficial interest in, or serve as a manager, administrator, member, officer, director, trustee, associate, or partner of any business, firm, partnership, or corporation currently or hereinafter licensed by the Board. Respondent shall sell or transfer any legal or beneficial interest in any entity licensed by the Board within ninety (90) days following the effective date of this decision and shall immediately thereafter provide written proof thereof to the Board. Failure to timely divest any legal or beneficial interest(s) or provide documentation thereof shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 16. Tolling of Suspension

During the period of suspension, Respondent shall not leave California for any period exceeding ten (10) days, regardless of purpose (including vacation). Any such absence in excess of ten (10) days during suspension shall be considered a violation of probation. Moreover, any absence from California during the period of suspension exceeding ten (10) days shall toll the suspension, i.e., the suspension shall be extended by one day for each day over ten (10) days Respondent is absent from California. During any such period of tolling of suspension, Respondent must nonetheless comply with all terms and conditions of probation.

Respondent must notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of departure, and must further notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of return. The failure to provide such notification(s) shall constitute a violation of probation. Upon such departure and return,

1	Respondent shall not resume work until notified by the Board that the period of suspension has		
2	been satisfactorily completed.		
3	17. Community Service		
4	Respondent shall perform 200 hours of community service by the end of his term of		
5	probation. Respondent's community service shall be reviewed and approved by the Board. The		
6	failure to complete the entire 200 hours by the end of the term of probation, is a violation of		
7	probation, and will extend the probation term.		
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9	<u>ACCEPTANCE</u>		
10	I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have		
11	fully discussed it with my attorney, Adam B. Brown. I understand the stipulation and the effect it		
12	will have on my Original Certificate to act as a designated representative in California. I enter		
13	into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently,		
14	and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy.		
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16	DATED:		
17	ROGER PETERS Respondent		
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19	I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Roger Peters the terms and conditions and		
20	other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I approve its		
21	form and content.		
22	DATED:		
23	Adam B. Brown Attorney for Respondent		
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ROCER PETERS Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Roger Peters the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and content.

10-2-09 DATED: 22

Adam B. Brown

Attorney for Respondent

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2	ENDORSEMENT		
3	The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully		
4	submitted for consideration by the Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer Affairs.		
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6	Dated: VITONOR L, 2009	Respectfully Submitted,	
7		EDMUND G. BROWN JR. Attorney General of California	
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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 3253

1	EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Attorney General of the State of California	
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1.1	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 3253
12	VALLEY WHOLESALE DRUG COMPANY, INC.	FIRST AMENDED
13	1401 West Fremont Street	ACCUSATION
14	Stockton, CA 95203 Original Wholesale Permit No. WLS 1410,	
15	and	
16	ROGER PETERS	
	1401 West Fremont Street	
17	Stockton, CA 95203  Designated Representative License No. EXC	
18	15686	
19	Respondents.	
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21	Complainant alleges:	
22	PARTIE	$\underline{\mathbf{S}}$
23	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant)	brings this Accusation solely in her official
24	capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pha	rmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.
25	This First Amended Accusation supercedes the Accu	sation filed by Complainant on April 16,
26	2009.	
27	2. On or about June 5, 1981, the l	Board of Pharmacy issued Original
28	Wholesale Permit Number WLS 1410 (Permit) to Va	lley Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.

(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency.

7. Section 4059.5, subdivision (a) of the Code states:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, dangerous drugs or dangerous devices may only be ordered by an entity licensed by the board and shall be delivered to the licensed premises and signed for and received by a pharmacist. Where a licensee is permitted to operate through a designated representative, the designated representative may sign for and receive the delivery.

8. Section 4160, subdivision (d) of the Code states:

(d) The board shall not issue or renew a wholesaler license until the wholesaler identifies a designated representative-in-charge and notifies the board in writing of the identity and license number of that designated representative. The designated representative-in-charge shall be responsible for the wholesaler's compliance with state and federal laws governing wholesalers. A wholesaler shall identify and notify the board of a new designated representative-in-charge within 30 days of the date that the prior designated representative-in-charge ceases to be the designated representative-in-charge. A pharmacist may be identified as the designated representative-in-charge.

9. Health and Safety Code section 11209, subdivision (a) states:

(a) No person shall deliver Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substances to a pharmacy or pharmacy receiving area, nor shall any person receive controlled substances on behalf of a pharmacy unless, at the time of delivery, a pharmacist or authorized receiving personnel signs a receipt showing the type and quantity of the controlled substances received. Any discrepancy between the receipt and the type or quantity of controlled substances actually received shall be reported to the delivering wholesaler or manufacturer by the next business day after delivery to the pharmacy.

10. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

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11. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

#### **DRUGS**

- 12. "Norco", the brand name for hydrocodone with acetaminophen 5/325 tablets and 10/325 tablets, is a Schedule III controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056(e)(4), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.
- 13. "Lortab", the brand name for hydrocodone with acetaminophen 7.5/500 tablets and 10/500 tablets, is a Schedule III controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056(e)(4), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.
- 14. "Vicodin" and "Vicodin ES", the brand names for hydrocodone with acetaminophen 5/500 tablets and 7.5/750 tablets, is a Schedule III controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056(e)(4), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.
- 15. Diazepam is a Schedule IV controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057(d)(9), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.
- 16. Zolpidem is a Schedule IV controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057(d)(32), and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.
- 17. Promethazine w/Codeine is a Schedule V controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11058, and is a dangerous drug within the meaning of Code section 4022, in that under federal law it requires a prescription.

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#### FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

## (Failure to Require Pharmacist to Sign for Delivery of Controlled Substances) (Against Valley Wholesale)

- 18. Respondent Valley Wholesale is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivisions (j) and (o), in that Respondent Valley Wholesale allowed a non-pharmacist to sign for the delivery of controlled substances in violation of Code section 4059.5, subdivision (a), and Health and Safety Code section 11209, subdivision (a). The circumstances are as follows:
- a. Between July 1, 2006 and August 20, 2007, Respondent Valley Wholesale allowed a non-pharmacist at retail pharmacy Dairyland Pharmacy to sign for and receive a total of 44 deliveries of controlled substances, including Lortab, Norco, Vicodin, and Vicodin ES.
- b. Between April of 2007 and May of 2008, Respondent Valley Wholesale allowed a non-pharmacist at retail pharmacy Bluepoint Pharmacy to sign for and receive approximately 75 orders of controlled substances and/or dangerous drugs, including Vicodin, Norco, Diazepam, Zolpidem, and Promethazine with Codeine syrup. Additionally, a signature was not obtained on approximately 10 delivery orders of controlled substances and/or dangerous drugs.

### **SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

## (Failure to Require Pharmacist to Sign for Delivery of Controlled Substances) (Against Respondent Peters)

19. Respondent Peters is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4160, subdivision (d), in that as the designated representative-in-charge he is responsible for Respondent Valley Wholesale's failure to comply with state and federal laws governing wholesalers, in particular, for the failure to comply with Code section 4059.5, subdivision (a), and Health and Safety Code section 11209, subdivision (a), as described above in paragraph 18.

### PRAYER

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2	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein
3	alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:
. 4	A. Revoking or suspending Original Wholesale Permit Number WLS 1410,
5	issued to Valley Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.
6	B. Revoking or suspending Designated Representative License Number EXC
7	15686, issued to Roger Peters.
-8	C. Ordering Valley Wholesale Drug Company, Inc. and Roger Peters to pay
9	the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case,
10	pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;
11	D. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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