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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 3389

TETYANA KOMIRENKO 10249 #2 Oasis Court Cupertino, CA 95014

Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 65494

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 May 26, 2010.

It is so ORDERED on April 26, 2010.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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12	TETYANA V. KOMIRENKO 10249 # 2 Oasis Court	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER		
13	Cupertino, CA 95014			
14	Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 65494			
15	Respondent.			
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17	In the interest of a prompt and speedy settle	ment of this matter, consistent with the public		
18	interest and the responsibility of the Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer Affairs,			
19	the parties hereby agree to the following Stipulate	d Settlement and Disciplinary Order which will		
20	be submitted to the Board for approval and adopti	on as the final disposition of the Accusation.		
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22	PARTIES			
23	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant), Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, brought			
24	this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Edmund G. Brown			
25	Jr., Attorney General of the State of California, by Joshua A. Room, Deputy Attorney General.			
26	2. Respondent Tetyana V. Komirenko (Respondent) is representing herself in this			
27	proceeding and has chosen not to exercise her right to be represented by counsel.			
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		STIPULATED SETTLEMENT (Case No. 3389)		

On or audit November 4, 2005, the Board of Phannacy issued Pharmacy Technician
License No. TCH 65494 to Tetyana V. Komirenko (Respondent). The Pharmacy Technician
License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No.
3389 and will expire on October 31, 2011, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 3389 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 November 4, 2009.
Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation
No. 3389 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

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ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

S. Respondent has carefully read and understands the charges and allegations in
 Accusation No. 3389. Respondent has also carefully read and understands the effects of this
 Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.

6. Respondent is fully aware of her 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 her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her 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.

22 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
23 every right set forth above.

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<u>CULPABILITY</u>

8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation
No. 3389.

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9. Respondent agrees that her License is subject to discipline and she agrees to be bound
28 by the Board of Pharmacy's imposition of discipline as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

RESERVATION

10. The admissions made by Respondent are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Pharmacy or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

CONTINGENCY

11. 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. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her 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.

15 12. 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.

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.

14. 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:

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STIPULATED SETTLEMENT (Case No. 3389)

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 65494, issued to Respondent Tetyana V. Komirenko (Respondent), is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for three (3) years on the following terms and conditions.

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Certification Prior to Resuming Work

Respondent shall be automatically suspended from working as a pharmacy technician until she is certified as defined by Business and Professions Code section 4202(a)(4) and provides satisfactory proof of certification to the board. Respondent shall not resume working as a pharmacy technician until notified by the board. Failure to achieve certification within one (1) year shall be considered a violation of probation. Respondent shall not resume working as a pharmacy technician until notified by the board.

During suspension, respondent shall not enter any pharmacy area or any portion of any other board licensed premises (wholesaler, veterinary food-animal drug retailer or any other distributor of drugs) any drug manufacturer, or any other location where dangerous drugs and 14 devices or controlled substances are maintained. Respondent shall not do any act involving drug 15 selection, selection of stock, manufacturing, compounding or dispensing; nor shall respondent 16 manage, administer, or assist any licensee of the board. Respondent shall not have access to or 17 control the ordering, manufacturing or dispensing of dangerous drugs and devices or controlled 18 substances. Respondent shall not resume work until notified by the board. 19

Subject to the above restrictions, respondent may continue to own or hold an interest in any 20 licensed premises by the board in which she holds an interest at the time this decision becomes 21 effective unless otherwise specified in this order. 22

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

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Obey All Laws 2.

Respondent shall obey all state and federal laws and regulations.

Respondent shall report any of the following occurrences to the board, in writing, within 26 27 seventy-two (72) hours of such occurrence:

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an arre. Jr issuance of a criminal complaint for . Jlation of any provision of the 1 Pharmacy Law, state and federal food and drug laws, or state and federal controlled substances laws 2 a plea of guilty or nolo contendre in any state or federal criminal proceeding to any 3 criminal complaint, information or indictment 4 a conviction of any crime 5 discipline, citation, or other administrative action filed by any state or federal agency 6 which involves respondent's pharmacy technician license or which is related to the practice of pharmacy or the manufacturing, obtaining, handling, distributing, billing, 7 or charging for any drug, device or controlled substance. 8 Failure to timely report any such occurrence shall be considered a violation of probation. 9 3. Report to the Board 10 Respondent shall report to the board quarterly, on a schedule as directed by the board or its 11 designee. The report shall be made either in person or in writing, as directed. Among other 12 requirements, respondent shall state in each report under penalty of perjury whether there has 13 been compliance with all the terms and conditions of probation. Failure to submit timely reports 14 in a form as directed shall be considered a violation of probation. Any period(s) of delinquency 15 in submission of reports as directed may be added to the total period of probation. Moreover, if 16 the final probation report is not made as directed, probation shall be automatically extended until 17 such time as the final report is made and accepted by the board. 18 Interview with the Board 4. 19 Upon receipt of reasonable prior notice, respondent shall appear in person for interviews 20 with the board or its designee, at such intervals and locations as are determined by the board or its 21 designee. Failure to appear for any scheduled interview without prior notification to board staff, 22 or failure to appear at two (2) or more scheduled interviews with the board or its designee during 23 the period of probation, shall be considered a violation of probation. 24 **Cooperate with Board Staff** 5. 25 Respondent shall cooperate with the board's inspection program and with the board's 26 monitoring and investigation of respondent's compliance with the terms and conditions of her 27 probation. Failure to cooperate shall be considered a violation of probation. 28

Notice to Employers 6.

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During the period of probation, respondent shall notify all present and prospective employers of the decision in case number 3389 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 her direct supervisor, pharmacist-in-charge (including each new pharmacist-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 3389 and the terms and conditions imposed thereby. It shall be respondent's responsibility to ensure that her employer(s) and/or 10 supervisor(s) submit timely acknowledgement(s) to the board.

If respondent works for or is employed by or through a pharmacy employment service, 12 respondent must notify her direct supervisor, pharmacist-in-charge and owner at every pharmacy 13 of the terms and conditions of the decision in case number 3389 in advance of the respondent 14 commencing work at each pharmacy. A record of this notification must be provided to the board 15 upon request. 16

Furthermore, within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen 17 (15) days of respondent undertaking any new employment by or through a pharmacy employment 18 service, respondent shall cause her direct supervisor with the pharmacy employment service to 19 report to the board in writing acknowledging that she has read the decision in case number 3389 20 21 and the terms and conditions imposed thereby. It shall be respondent's responsibility to ensure that her employer(s) and/or supervisor(s) submit timely acknowledgment(s) to the board. 22

Failure to timely notify present or prospective employer(s) or to cause such employer(s) to 23 submit timely acknowledgements to the board shall be considered a violation of probation. 24

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

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Notific. In of Departure 7.

Prior to leaving the probationary geographic area designated by the board or its designee for a period greater than twenty-four (24) hours, respondent shall notify the board verbally and in writing of the dates of departure and return. Failure to comply with this provision shall be considered a violation of probation.

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Notification of Change in Name, Address(es), or Employment

Respondent shall notify the board in writing within ten (10) days of any change of 7 employment. Said notification shall include the reasons for leaving, the address of the new employer, the name of the supervisor and owner, and the work schedule if known. Respondent 9 shall further notify the board in writing within ten (10) days of a change in name, residence 10 address, mailing address, or phone number. 11

Failure to timely notify the board of any change in employer(s), name(s), address(es), or 12 phone number(s) shall be considered a violation of probation. 13

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Status of License 9.

Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain an active, current pharmacy 15 technician license with the board, including any period during which suspension or probation is 16 17 tolled. Failure to maintain an active, current license shall be considered a violation of probation.

If respondent's pharmacy technician license expires or is cancelled by operation of law or 18 19 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 20 terms and conditions of this probation not previously satisfied. 21

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10. **Reimbursement of Board Costs**

As a condition precedent to successful completion of probation, respondent shall pay to the 23 board its costs of investigation and prosecution in the amount of \$2,678.00, payable in full within 24 the first two (2) years of probation in equal quarterly installments of \$334.75. There shall be no 25 deviation from this schedule absent prior written approval by the board or its designee. Failure to 26 27 pay costs by the deadline(s) as directed shall be considered a violation of probation. The filing of bankruptcy by respondent shall not relieve respondent of her responsibility to pay these costs. 28

11. Probati 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.

12. 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.

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13. Work Site Monitor

Within ten (10) days of the effective date of this decision, respondent shall identify a work 15 site monitor, for prior approval by the board, who shall be responsible for supervising respondent 16 17 during working hours. Respondent shall be responsible for ensuring that the work site monitor reports in writing to the board quarterly. Should the designated work site monitor determine at 18 19 any time during the probationary period that respondent has not maintained sobriety, she shall notify the board immediately, either orally or in writing as directed. Should respondent change 20 21 employment, a new work site monitor must be designated, for prior approval by the board, within 22 ten (10) days of commencing new employment. Failure to identify an acceptable initial or 23 replacement work site monitor, or to ensure quarterly reports are submitted to the board, shall be considered a violation of probation. 24

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14. Abstain from Drugs and Alcohol Use

Respondent shall completely abstain from the possession or use of alcohol, controlled
substances, dangerous drugs and their associated paraphernalia except when the drugs are
lawfully prescribed by a licensed practitioner as part of a documented medical treatment.

Upon request of the board or its designee, respondent shall provide documentation from the licensed practitioner that the prescription for the drug was legitimately issued and is a necessary part of the treatment of the respondent. Failure to timely provide such documentation shall be considered a violation of probation. Respondent shall ensure that she is not in the same physical location as individuals who are using illicit substances even if respondent is not personally ingesting the drugs. Any possession or use of alcohol, controlled substances, or their associated paraphernalia not supported by the documentation timely provided, and/or any physical proximity to persons using illicit substances, shall be considered a violation of probation.

15. Random Drug Screening

Respondent, at her own expense, shall participate in random testing, including but not limited to biological fluid testing (urine, blood), breathalyzer, hair follicle testing, or other drug screening program as directed by the board or its designee. Respondent may be required to participate in testing for the entire probation period and the frequency of testing will be determined by the board or its designee. At all times respondent shall fully cooperate with the board or its designee, and shall, when directed, submit to such tests and samples for the detection of alcohol, narcotics, hypnotics, dangerous drugs or other controlled substances as the board or its designee may direct. Failure to timely submit to testing as directed shall be considered a violation of probation. Upon request of the board or its designee, respondent shall provide documentation from a licensed practitioner that the prescription for a detected drug was legitimately issued and is a necessary part of the treatment of the respondent. Failure to timely provide such documentation shall be considered a violation of probation. Any confirmed positive test for alcohol or for any drug not lawfully prescribed by a licensed practitioner as part of a documented medical treatment shall be considered a violation of probation and shall result in the automatic suspension of work by respondent. Respondent may not resume work until notified by the board in writing. 24

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During any such suspension, respondent shall not enter any pharmacy area or any portion of or any other board licensed premises (wholesaler, veterinary food-animal drug retailer or any other distributor of drugs) any drug manufacturer, or any other location where dangerous drugs and devices or controlled substances are maintained. Respondent shall not do any act involving

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drug selection, selection of stock, manufacturing, compounding un dispensing; nor shall respondent manage, administer, or assist any licensee of the board. Respondent shall not have access to or control the ordering, manufacturing or dispensing of dangerous drugs and devices or controlled substances. Respondent shall not resume work until notified by the board.

During any such suspension, respondent shall not direct, control or perform any aspect of the practice of pharmacy. Subject to the above restrictions, respondent may continue to own or hold an interest in any licensed premises in which 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.

Attend Substance Abuse Recovery Relapse Prevention and Support Groups 16.

Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, respondent shall begin regular 12 attendance at a recognized and established substance abuse recovery support group in California, (e.g., Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, etc.) which has been approved by the board 13 14 or its designee. Respondent must attend at least one meeting per week unless otherwise directed by the board or its designee. Respondent shall continue regular attendance and submit signed and 15 16 dated documentation confirming attendance with each quarterly report for the period of probation. Failure to attend or submit documentation thereof shall be considered a violation of probation. 17

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17. License Surrender While on Probation/Suspension

Following the effective date of this decision, should respondent cease work due to 19 20 retirement or health, or be otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, respondent may tender her pharmacy technician license to the board for surrender. The board or 21 22 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 23 24 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 25 26 history with the board.

27 Upon acceptance of the surrender, respondent shall relinquish her pharmacy technician 28 license to the board within ten (10) days of notification by the board that 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.

18. Tolling of Probation

Except during periods of suspension, respondent shall, at all times while on probation, be employed as a pharmacy technician in California for a minimum of forty (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 pharmacy technician for a minimum of forty (40) hours per calendar month 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 the work.
Any failure to provide such notification(s) shall be considered a violation of probation.

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

"Cessation of work" means calendar month during which respondent is not working for at least forty (40) hours as a pharmacy technician, as defined in Business and Professions Code section 4115. "Resumption of work" means any calendar month during which respondent is working as a pharmacy technician for at least forty (40) hours as a pharmacy technician as defined by Business and Professions Code section 4115.

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19. Violation of Probation

If a 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.

1If respondent violates probation in any respect, the board, after giving respondent notice2and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that3was stayed. Notice and opportunity to be heard are not required for those provisions stating that a4violation thereof may lead to automatic termination of the stay and/or revocation of the license. If5a petition to revoke probation or an accusation is filed against respondent during probation, the6board shall have continuing jurisdiction, and the period of probation shall be automatically7extended until the petition to revoke probation or accusation is heard and decided.

20. Completion of Probation

9 Upon written notice by the board indicating successful completion of probation,
10 respondent's pharmacy technician license will be fully restored.

ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I understand the
stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacy Technician License. I enter into this
Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree
to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy.

'9/20 DATED:

TETYANA V. KOMIRENKO Respondent

STIPULATED SETTLEMENT (Case No. 3389)

ENDORSEMENT

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2	The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully		
3	submitted for consideration by the Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer Affairs.		
4	Dated: $2/2/2010$ Respectfully Submitted,		
5	EDMUND G. BROWN JR.		
6	Attorney General of California FRANK H. PACOE		
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	13 STIPULATED SETTLEMENT (Cas	- No 3380)	
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Exhibit A

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Accusation No. 3389

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1	EDMUND G. BROWL JR. Attorney General of California	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
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14	Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 65494			
15	Respondent.			
16	Complainant alleges:			
17	PARTIES			
18	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings	this Accusation solely in her official capacity		
19	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmac	y, Department of Consumer Affairs.		
20	2. On or about November 4, 2005, the B	oard of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician		
21	License Number TCH 65494 to Tetyana V. Komirenko (Respondent). The Pharmacy Technician			
22	License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will			
23	expire on October 31, 2009, unless renewed.			
24	JURISDICTION			
25	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of			
26	Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the			
27	Business and Professions Code (Code) unless oth	Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.		
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4. Section - A1 of the Code provides that the Board _ all administer and enforce both the Pharmacy Law [Bus. & Prof. Code, § 4000 et seq.] and the Uniform Controlled Substances Act [Health & Safety Code, § 11000 et seq.].

5. Section 4300(a) of the Code provides that every license issued by the Board may be suspended or revoked.

Section 118(b) of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the suspension, expiration, 6. 6 surrender, or cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a 7 disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued 8 or reinstated. Section 4402(a) of the Code provides that any pharmacist license that is not .9 renewed within three years following its expiration may not be renewed, restored, or reinstated 10 and shall be canceled by operation of law at the end of the three-year period. Section 4402(e) of 11 the Code provides that any other license issued by the Board may be canceled by the Board if not .12 renewed within 60 days after its expiration, and any license canceled in this fashion may not be 13 reissued but will instead require a new application to seek reissuance. 14

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STATUTORY AND REGULATORY PROVISIONS

7. Section 4301 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board shall take action
against any holder of a license who is guilty of "unprofessional conduct," defined to include, but
not be limited to, any of the following:

(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or
corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and
whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.

(h) The administering to oneself, of any controlled substance, or the use of any dangerous
drug or of alcoholic beverages to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to
oneself [or to the public or to another person], or to the extent that the use impairs the ability of
the person to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by the license.

(j) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, of any other state, or of the United
States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.

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(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the 1 violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable 2 federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by 3 the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency. 4 Section 4327 of the Code makes it unlawful, while on duty, to sell, dispense or 8 5 compound any drug while under the influence of a dangerous drug or alcoholic beverage. 6 COST RECOVERY 7 Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the 9. 8 administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation of the licensing 9 act to pay a sum not to exceed its reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement. 10 FACTUAL BACKGROUND 11 10. Between on or about April 12, 2006 and on or about August 6, 2008, Respondent was 12 employed as a pharmacy technician at a Save Mart / Lucky Pharmacy (# 723; PHY 48467) in Los 13 Altos, California. In that position, she had access to controlled substances and dangerous drugs. 14 On or about August 2, 2008, while on duty as a pharmacy technician at Save Mart, 11. 15 Respondent took without paying/stole and consumed at least two (2), and as many as three (3), 16 25.4 ounce cans of Foster's beer. Contemporaneous with and/or following consumption of the 17 alcohol, Respondent continued working while exhibiting signs of intoxication/impairment. 18 FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE 19 (Acts Involving Moral Turpitude, Dishonesty, Fraud, Deceit or Corruption) 20 Respondent is subject to discipline under section 4301(f) of the Code in that she, as 12. 21 described in paragraphs 10 and 11 above, committed one or more acts involving moral turpitude, 22 23 dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption. 24 SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Dangerous or Impairing Use of Alcohol) 25 Respondent is subject to discipline under section 4301(h) of the Code, in that she, as 26 22. described in paragraphs 10 and 11 above, used alcohol to an extent or in a manner dangerous to 27 28 herself, the public, or another, and/or impairing her practice as a pharmacy technician. 3

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(Selling Dispensing or Compounding While Under the Influence)

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3	13. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301(j) and/or (o) and		
4	section 4327 of the Code, in that as described in paragraphs 10 and 11 above, Respondent sold,		
5	dispensed or compounded one or more drugs while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage,		
6	and/or directly or indirectly attempted, conspired, and/or assisted in or abetted such conduct.		
7	FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE		
8	(Unprofessional Conduct)		
9	14. Respondent is subject to discipline under section 4301 of the Code in that		
10	Respondent, as described in paragraphs 10 to 13 above, engaged in unprofessional conduct.		
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13	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,		
14	and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:		
15	1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Technician Registration Number TCH 65494,		
16	issued to Tetyana V. Komirenko (Respondent);		
17	2. Ordering Respondent to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the investigation and		
18	enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;		
19	3. Taking such other and further action as is deemed necessary and proper.		
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22	DATED: 10/27/09 (usine And		
23	VIRGINIA HEROLD Executive Officer		
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