

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

In Re: Vitamins Antitrust Litigation

Misc. No. 99-0197 (TFH)

This Document Relates To:

MDL No. 1285

Conopco, Inc.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

F. Hoffmann-LaRoche Ltd., et al.,

Defendants.

**Case No. 00-CIV-3572
(S.D.N.Y.)**

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**MANCY MAYER-WHITTINGTON, CLERK
U.S. DISTRICT COURT**

ORDER

This cause is before the Court on the unopposed motion of Plaintiff Conopco, Inc. to add Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd., Takeda USA, Inc. and Takeda Vitamin & Food USA, Inc. (the "Takeda entities") as Defendants in the Conopco Complaint as set forth in the Amendment attached to the motion. The Court has considered the unopposed motion, the record in the case, and being otherwise advised, it is

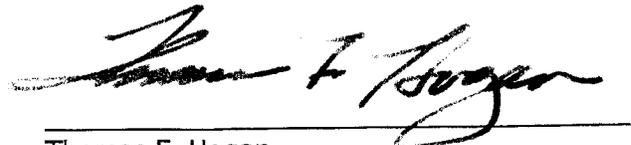
Ordered and Adjudged that the unopposed motion of Plaintiff Conopco, Inc. to add the Takeda entities as Defendants in the Conopco Complaint is Accepted and Approved. Accordingly, the Amendment to the Complaint that is attached to the unopposed motion shall be deemed filed as of the date the unopposed motion was filed with the Court, except that Plaintiff Conopco must properly serve the Takeda entities added in its Amendment in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Hague Convention, or any other applicable foreign treaty unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties. By their consent to the entry of this Order, the Takeda entities do not waive any procedural or substantive defenses or rights that they may have, and do not admit to

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any of the allegations in the proposed Amended Complaint. The Takeda entities added to this case by the Amendment shall respond to the Amendment and the corresponding Complaint within the time provided for in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or such other time as otherwise agreed upon by the parties.

Done and Ordered this 3 day of October, 2000.



Thomas F. Hogan
United States District Judge

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