

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN RE: VITAMIN ANTITRUST  
LITIGATION

) MDL No. 1285  
) Misc. No. 99-0197 (TFH)  
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This Document Relates to:

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) Nutra-Blend L.L.C. v. F. Hoffman-  
) LaRoche, Ltd., et al., Civil Action No.  
) 99-3329 (W.D. Mo.)  
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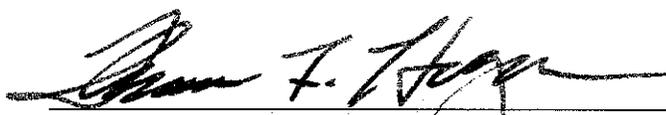
**ORDER DISMISSING DEFENDANTS SUMITOMO CHEMICAL COMPANY, LTD.  
AND SUMITOMO CHEMICAL AMERICA, INC. WITH PREJUDICE**

This matter being presented to the Court in connection with the unopposed motion of Plaintiff Nutra-Blend L.L.C. to Dismiss Defendants Sumitomo Chemical Company, Ltd. and Sumitomo Chemical America, Inc. with prejudice,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Second Amended Complaint in this action is dismissed with prejudice solely against Defendants Sumitomo Chemical Company, Ltd. and Sumitomo Chemical America, Inc., each party to bear its own costs. This Order is without prejudice to Plaintiff Nutra-Blend L.L.C.'s claims against any other Defendant or alleged co-conspirator in the above-captioned case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 5, 2002

  
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Thomas F. Hogan  
United States District Judge