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Walmart Agrees to Settlement Prohibiting Sales of 14 Products in Oversized Packages

Woodland, CA – April 1, 2019 – The Yolo County District Attorney's Office along with the Shasta, Fresno, Placer, Tulare and Santa Cruz County District Attorneys' Offices reached a settlement with Walmart, Inc. in a civil enforcement action related to sales of health and beauty products. The civil complaint filed by prosecutors alleged that Walmart packaged 14 of its health and beauty products in oversized containers which could have misled consumers into believing that they were purchasing more of the product than they were actually receiving. There are three Walmart stores and markets in Woodland and one in West Sacramento.

The settlement was approved by Santa Cruz County Superior Court Judge Paul Burdick on March 12, 2019. Walmart cooperated with the investigation and, without admitting wrongdoing, agreed to improve its packaging practices and to pay \$495,000 in costs and penalties.

Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig stated, "Consumers have the right to expect that all companies comply with packaging requirements, and that the packages that their products are in are not misleading. We continue to aggressively monitor businesses to ensure a level playing field and we remain dedicated to prosecute those that violate consumer protection laws."