

The Campaign for Safe Cosmetics

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Compact For Safe Cosmetics Signer Newsletter August 2008

We continue to be awed by the growing movement to make cosmetics and personal care products safer for our health and the planet. Thank you so much for your continued work to make this possible. Please take a look at the following important updates on events and resources from the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics.

Updates from the Campaign:

- 1) [SAVE THE DATE AND RSVP: Fall Compact Signer Meeting: October 15th, 2008, The Westin Boston Waterfront during Natural Products Expo East](#)
- 2) [New Compact Signer Handbook](#)
- 3) [Safe Cosmetics Event in Los Angeles: Sept. 11, 2008. What's Going On? Toxic Chemicals in Our Toys, Cosmetics and Bodies](#)
- 4) [Show the world safer is possible: Request for product donations for upcoming public outreach events](#)

1) SAVE THE DATE AND RSVP: Fall Compact Signer Meeting: October 15, 2008



The Westin Boston Waterfront, adjacent to the conference center
425 Summer Street Boston, MA in the Stone Room

Registration: 11:30 a.m.

Meetings: 12pm-5pm

In response to suggestions from many of you at the last meeting, we have created a new meeting format. Various sessions will be offered during the course of the afternoon. Signers can attend the sessions that are most useful. Lunch will be served and refreshments provided throughout the meeting.

Please click on the following link to **RSVP by Sept. 15 to reserve your spot** indicate whether you would like a vegetarian or non-vegetarian lunch and indicate the topics of most use to you:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=fgv536m9JK_2fc5NCfgalZbA_3d_3d.

Your completion of the survey will help us to offer meeting sessions and materials on October 15th that will most support your efforts to implement the Compact for Safe Cosmetics and your work with the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics to educate the public about the need for safer personal care products.

More information on the meeting agenda will be provided soon.

We look forward to seeing you in Boston!

Save the Date: Our Spring Compact Signer Meeting will occur during Natural Products Expo West on March 5, 2009 in Anaheim, CA. More information will follow as we approach the date.

2) New Compact Signer Handbook

We have recently assembled a new and improved Compact Signer Handbook to clarify and better explain the requirements for compliance with the Compact for Safe Cosmetics. This guide includes key contact information and resources, a year-by-year guide to Compact requirements and a glossary with more resources.

We will be updating this guidebook periodically to offer more resources as they become available. We hope this guide will be helpful in fulfilling your company's commitment to making safer products. Click on the following link to download a PDF copy of the Compact Signer Handbook.

<http://www.safecosmetics.org/docUploads/Compact%20Signer%20Handbook.pdf>

3) Los Angeles Safe Cosmetics Event: What's Going on? Toxic Chemicals in our Toys, Cosmetics and our Bodies. Sept. 11, 2009



Campaign for Safe Cosmetics (CSC) and partners will be holding the next stop on what has become a 40-city public outreach tour in Los Angeles on September 11, 2009. The event will be emceed by actress **Sarah Carter**.

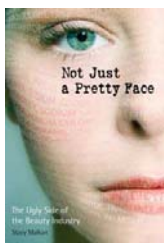
Speakers will include:

- **Stacy Malkan**, author of *Not Just a Pretty Face: The Ugly Side of the Beauty*, will read an excerpt from her book about toxic chemicals in personal care products



- **Jane Houlihan**, Vice President of Research for Environmental Working Group, a founding member of the CSC and creator of *Skin Deep*, will discuss the 287 industrial chemicals found in the blood of 10 special people in a multimedia presentation called "10 Americans"

- **Christopher Gavigan**, CEO of Healthy Child Healthy World will provide simple steps everyone can take to reduce children's exposure to toxic chemicals.



We will offer information on the Campaign and also highlight the work of our Compact for Safe Cosmetics signers to make safer alternative products available to the public.

Thursday, September 11th at 6:30 p.m.
Louis Room, Bullocks Wilshire Building
Southwestern Law School
3050 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles

Free and open to the community. Refreshments will be served.

Please help us to spread the word about this event. If you are interested in donating product samples for event attendees, please email **Connie Engel** (cengel@breastcancerfund.org) as soon as possible to coordinate products and shipping.

4) Show the world safer is possible (and it works!): Call for product donations for upcoming public outreach events

First, a huge thank you to the many, many Compact signing companies that have donated products to our public outreach events over the years and those who have recently donated beautiful full-size products and samples to share at upcoming events. Your products help pique curiosity at our events, show the public that there are real, effective alternatives to the toxic products most people use every day and that there are companies committed to joining our efforts to make safer products the norm. The Campaign is approaching its busiest season for events and educational opportunities in cities and campuses across the US. If you can send samples or full-size products to share in large quantities or small, please contact Connie Engel at cengel@breastcancerfund.org. Please also let us know if you would like to receive an acknowledgement note of your in-kind donation for tax purposes.

You can mail these products to:

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Breast Cancer Fund
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415-346-8223, ext. 36



If you are an East Coast company and want to share your products more locally you can ship them to:

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Once again, on behalf of the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics, our 150 endorsing organizations and thousands of grassroots supporters, thank you for all the important work you do on this vital health and environmental issue.

Warm regards,
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