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**HOLDINGS PTY LTD & ORS** 

Registry: VICTORIA REGISTRY - FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA

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## **ORIGINATING APPLICATION**

FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA DISTRICT REGISTRY: VICTORIA

DIVISION: GENERAL NO VID OF 2021

### SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Applicant

#### **ENVIRO TECH HOLDINGS PTY LTD**

and others named in the Schedule Respondents

To the Respondents

The Applicant applies for the relief set out in this application.

The Court will hear this application, or make orders for the conduct of the proceeding, at the time and place stated below. If you or your lawyer do not attend, then the Court may make orders in your absence.

You must file a notice of address for service (Form 10) in the Registry before attending Court or taking any other steps in the proceeding.

## TIME AND DATE FOR HEARING:

PLACE:	Federal Court of Australia,
	Owen Dixon Commonwealth Law Courts Building, 305 William Street
	Melbourne VIC 3000
Date:	

Filed on behalf of the Applicant, Secretary of the Department of Health

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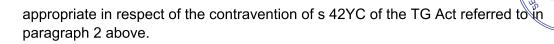


Signed by an officer acting with the authority of the District Registrar

#### **DETAILS OF CLAIM**

On the grounds stated in the concise statement, the Applicant claims:

- 1. A declaration under s 21 of the *Federal Court of Australia Act* 1976 (Cth) (**FCA Act**) that on or about 11 August 2020, the First Respondent contravened s 41MNC of the *Therapeutic Goods Act* 1989 (Cth) (**TG Act**) by importing into Australia 500,000 disposable medical face masks (the **Devices**), in circumstances where:
  - 1.1. the Devices were medical devices within the meaning of the TG Act;
  - 1.2. the Devices were of a kind covered by the *Therapeutic Goods (Medical Devices Face Masks and Other Articles) (COVID-19 Emergency) Exemption 2020* (Cth) (the **Exemption**), being an exemption in force under s 41GS of the TG Act;
  - 1.3. at all times between 22 March 2020 and 31 January 2021, the Exemption was subject to a condition in the following terms (the **Condition**):
    - the relevant kinds of medical devices must only be imported, exported, manufactured or supplied by a person under a contract between the person and the Australian Government Department of Health, or another agency of the Commonwealth acting on behalf of Australian Government Department of Health, for that purpose...
  - 1.4. the Devices were not imported under a contract between the Respondent and the Australian Government Department of Health, or another agency of the Commonwealth acting on behalf of the Australian Government Department of Health; and
  - 1.5. the importation of the Devices breached the Condition.
- 2. A declaration under s 21 of the FCA Act that on or about 11 August 2020, the Second Respondent contravened s 42YC of the TG Act by aiding, abetting counselling or procuring the First Respondent's contravention of s 41MNC referred to in paragraph 1 above.
- A declaration under s 21 of the FCA Act that on or about 11 August 2020, the Third Respondent contravened s 42YC of the TG Act by aiding, abetting counselling or procuring the First Respondent's contravention of s 41MNC referred to in paragraph 1 above.
- 4. An order pursuant to s 42Y of the TG Act that the First Respondent pay to the Commonwealth of Australia such pecuniary penalty as the Court determines appropriate in respect of the contravention of s 41MNC of the TG Act referred to in paragraph 1 above.
- 5. An order pursuant to s 42Y of the TG Act that the Second Respondent pay to the Commonwealth of Australia such pecuniary penalty as the Court determines



- 6. An order pursuant to s 42Y of the TG Act that the Third Respondent pay to the Commonwealth of Australia such pecuniary penalty as the Court determines appropriate in respect of the contravention of s 42YC of the TG Act referred to in paragraph 3 above.
- 7. An order pursuant to s 42YN of the TG Act and s 23 of the FCA Act that the First Respondent be restrained from importing, exporting, supplying or manufacturing medical devices which are not included on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods or otherwise subject to a relevant exemption, approval or authority under the TG Act.
- 8. An order pursuant to s 42YN of the TG Act and s 23 of the FCA Act that the Second Respondent, by herself, her servants, agents, employees and any company of which she is an officer, be restrained from importing, exporting, supplying or manufacturing medical devices which are not included on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods or otherwise subject to a relevant exemption, approval or authority under the TG Act.
- 9. An order pursuant to s 42YN of the TG Act and s 23 of the FCA Act that the Third Respondent, by himself, his servants, agents, employees and any company of which he is an officer, be restrained from importing, exporting, supplying or manufacturing medical devices which are not included on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods or otherwise subject to a relevant exemption, approval or authority under the TG Act.
- 10. An order pursuant to s 43 of the FCA Act that the Respondents pay the Applicant's costs of and incidental to these proceedings.
- 11. Such further order or orders as the Court sees fit.

#### **APPLICANT'S ADDRESS**

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Tel: 02 9581 7625

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The Applicant's address is:

PO Box 100



# Woden ACT 2606

# **SERVICE ON THE RESPONDENTS**

It is intended to serve this application on all Respondents.

Date: 22 September 2021

Matthew Garey AGS lawyer

for and on behalf of the Australian Government Solicitor

Lawyer for the Applicant



# **Schedule**

FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA DISTRICT REGISTRY: VICTORIA

Division: General No VID of 2021

# Respondents

Second Respondent Connie Triantos

Third Respondent Jerry Triantos

Date: 22 September 2021