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**Nestlé Waters North America Inc.:
Statement on Bisphenol-A and Plastic Safety**

At Nestlé Waters North America, the safety and quality of our bottled water products are our top priorities. We regularly conduct tests on all of our bottles and our waters for safety, quality and performance, and follow external scientific research on plastic safety.

Our 3- and 5-gallon bottles are made from polycarbonate, a strong, clear and reusable type of plastic. Classified as a type 7 plastic by the Society of the Plastics Industry, polycarbonate is used in a wide range of food storage containers, and is commonly found in the epoxy resin lining of canned food products. It is also found in other products such as lab equipment, medical devices and clear plastic utensils, as well as PVC pipes, sometimes used in municipal water delivery systems.

Polycarbonate is one polymer that contains trace levels of the chemical bisphenol-A (BPA). Polycarbonate plastic is not used in our single-serve bottles or any containers smaller than three gallons. Our single-serve bottle or bottles smaller than three gallons do not contain BPA.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and consumer safety agencies in Canada, Japan and the European Union agree – based on currently available research – polycarbonate plastic is safe to use for food and beverage packaging. This was reaffirmed on January 30, 2009, when the FDA met with Health Canada to discuss the topic.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined that people can safely be exposed orally to an “Oral Reference Dose” of 0.023 milligrams of BPA per pound of body weight per day.

Our most recent tests, conducted on all of our product brands within the past three months, show that 30 days after bottling and sealing, the water inside the bottles had non-detectable levels of BPA when analyzed at detection limits of less than 1.0 part per billion. This is a very low detection limit achieved with state-of-the-art instrumentation. In fact, a child would need to drink at least 570 liters per day to reach the Oral Reference Dose. An adult male of 180 lbs would need to drink at least 4,140 liters per day to reach the Oral Reference Dose.

Unlike many other food or beverage products packaged in polycarbonate, Nestlé Waters’ bottled water products are not hot-filled nor are the contents pasteurized. Since heat increases the likelihood of migration of BPA, our bottles are much less subject to migration than other potential everyday sources of BPA.

To maintain the high quality of our bottled water products, we recommend people store all of our products, including our 3- and 5-gallon bottles, in a cool, clean, dark or shaded location, out of direct sunlight, as they would any other packaged food product.

For more information on plastic safety, please visit our Web site (www.nestle-watersna.com).