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February 5, 2010

The Honorable Patrick J. Fiedler Circuit Court Judge, Br. 8 Dane County Courthouse 215 South Hamilton Street, Rm. 8103 Madison, WI 53703-3292

Re:

Farm-to-Consumer Legal Defense Fund et al. v. WDATCP

Case No. 09CV6313

Dear Judge Fiedler:

Enclosed please find a proposed Stipulation and Order in the above matter. A copy is being mailed this date to opposing counsel.

If the proposed Stipulation and Order meets with the Court's approval, please sign the Order and file the original. Please direct your clerk to conform the copies and return the copies to all parties in the enclosed preaddressed stamped envelopes.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Hunter

Assistant Attorney General

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Enclosures

c: Elizabeth Gamsky Rich

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FARM-TO-CONSUMER LEGAL DEFENSE FUND, GRASSWAY ORGANICS FARM STORE, LLC, GRASSWAY ORGANICS ASSOCIATION, and KAY and WAYNE CRAIG d/b/a GRASSWAY FARM,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 09-CV-6313

Declaratory Judgment: 30701

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION,

Defendant.

STIPULATION AND ORDER

The defendant, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("DATCP"), by its attorneys, J.B. Van Hollen, Attorney General, and Robert M. Hunter, Assistant Attorney General, and the plaintiffs, Farm-to-Consumer Legal Defense Fund, Grassway Organics Farm Store, LLC, Grassway Organics Association, and Kay and Wayne Craig d/b/a Grassway Farm, by their attorneys, Elizabeth Gamsky Rich & Associates, S.C., by Attorney Elizabeth Gamsky Rich (collectively referred to hereinafter as "Plaintiffs"), hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

- 1. DATCP is an agency of the State of Wisconsin, and
- 2. A suit against an agency of the State of Wisconsin is a suit against the State itself,

- 3. Having brought this suit against DATCP, Plaintiffs have brought a suit against the State of Wisconsin,
- 4. Under the terms of Wis. Stat. § 801.11(3) to serve DATCP Plaintiffs must serve an authenticated copy of the summons and complaint upon the Attorney General,
- 5. DATCP by its attorneys brought a motion to dismiss the complaint herein, asserting that service upon it had not been effectuated as required in Wis. Stat. § 801.11(3),
- 6. On January 25, 2010, Plaintiffs forwarded an authenticated copy of the summons and complaint in this action to Robert M. Hunter, Assistant Attorney General,
- 7. Robert M. Hunter, Assistant Attorney General, on behalf of the Attorney General has now admitted service upon DATCP by receipt at his office of an authenticated summons and complaint, on January 26, 2010.
- 8. DATCP's answer to the summons and complaint must be filed on or before March 12, 2010.

9. The motion to dismiss filed by DATCP is now moot and may be taken off the

Court's calendar.

Dated this 4 7 day of February, 2010.

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Dated this Sday of February, 2010.

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that:

1. The foregoing stipulation having been agreed between the parties, it is hereby adopted as the order of the Court.

Dated this _____ day of February, 2010.

BY THE COURT:

THE HONORABLE PATRICK J. FIEDLER Circuit Court Judge, Br. 8

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