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CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

George T. Methvin, Co-owner
Poplar Tans
3149 Poplar Avenue
Memphis, TN 38111

WARNING LETTER-00-NSV-19

Dear Mr. Methvin:

Inspection of your tanning salon on May 5, 2000 by Investigator Abraham Maekele, revealed serious violations of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act). Our investigator documented significant items of noncompliance with the Federal Performance Standards for Sunlamp Products as prescribed in Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1040.20, in conjunction with fourteen (14) tanning beds at your facility.

Inspection revealed your tanning beds to be listed noncompliant as follows:

1. Room #1: Lack of control for termination of radiation emission by the user on the [REDACTED] tanning bed, MN R-26P, SN 416, manufacture date 12/92.
2. Room #2: Lack of control for termination of radiation emission by the user on the [REDACTED] tanning bed, MN R-26P, SN 267, manufacture date 12/92.
3. Room #3: Lack of control for termination of radiation emission by the user on the [REDACTED] tanning bed, MN R-26P, SN 417, manufacture date 12/92.
4. Room #4: Lack of control for termination of radiation emission by the user on the [REDACTED] tanning bed, MN R-26P, SN 415, manufacture date 12/92.
5. Room's #5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14: The owner failed to provide patrons and employees with User Manuals containing adequate instructions for proper use of tanning systems and to prevent potential injury to users.

It is your responsibility to assure that electronic sunlamp products in use at your facility meet applicable performance standards and are in compliance with the provisions of the Act. You should take prompt action to correct these violations. Failure to correct these violations may result in regulatory action, including seizure, injunction, and/or civil penalties, without further notice.

Poplar Tans, Inc.
George T. Methvin, Co-owner

You should notify this office in writing, within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of this letter, of specific steps you have taken to correct these violations. If corrections cannot be completed within 15 working days, state the reason for the delay and the time frame within which corrections will be completed.

Your reply should be directed to Joseph E. Hayes, Compliance Officer, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, 297 Plus Park Boulevard, Nashville, Tennessee 37217, telephone 615/781-5380.

Sincerely,



Carl E. Draper
Director
New Orleans District Office

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