Court File No.: T-1999 -02

FEDERAL COURT OF CANADA (TRIAL DIVISION)

BETWEEN:

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

- and -

THE NIPPON SYNTHETIC CHEMICAL INDUSTRY CO., LTD. (NIPPON GOHSEI)

Accused

INDICTMENT

THE ACCUSED, The Nippon Synthetic Chemical Industry Co., Ltd. (Nippon Gohsei) stands charged:

THAT IT DID, between approximately January, 1979 and September, 1996, the exact dates being unknown, at locations outside Canada, unlawfully conspire, combine, agree or arrange with Eastman Chemical Company, Hoechst AG, Cheminova Agro A/S, Ueno Fine Chemicals Industry, Ltd., Chisso Corporation and Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., the one with the other or others of them, together and with a person or persons known and unknown, to prevent or lessen, unduly, competition in the production, manufacture, purchase, barter, sale, storage, rental, transportation or supply of a product, namely, sorbates, in Canada, contrary to paragraph 45(1)(c) of the *Competition Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-34.

Dated at Ottawa, this 6th day of September, 2000

D. Martin Low, Q.C./Manon Lapointe For the Attorney General of Canada

I hereby consent to the preferment of this indictment pursuant to section 577 of the *Criminal Code of Canada*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-46.

Dated at Ottawa this aday of September, 2000

Morris Rosenberg

Deputy Attorney General of Canada

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