Analysis of Proposed Consent Order to Aid Public Comment In the Matter of Holly A. Bacon, doing business as Cleansing Time Pro, File No. 082-3119

The Federal Trade Commission has accepted, subject to final approval, an agreement containing a consent order from Holly A. Bacon, doing business as Cleansing Time Pro ("respondent").

The proposed consent order has been placed on the public record for thirty (30) days for reception of comments by interested persons. Comments received during this period will become part of the public record. After thirty (30) days, the Commission will again review the agreement and the comments received and will decide whether it should withdraw from the agreement or make final the agreement's proposed order.

This matter concerns the advertising and promotion of products known as Cleansing Time Pro Black Salve & Tablets. According to their labels, these products contain "blood root, galangal & zinc chloride in a base of blended synergistic herbs (+ calcium in the tablets)." Cleansing Time Pro Black Salve is an ointment that respondent recommends for external use. Alternatively, respondent recommends that consumers take the product internally by purchasing Black Salve Tablets or by placing an amount of the Black Salve ointment into a gelatin capsule.

The Commission's complaint charges that respondent claimed that Cleansing Time Pro Black Salve & Tablets were effective to treat, prevent, or cure numerous forms of cancer and various viral infections, including hepatitis, HIV, SARS, West Nile Virus, and Avian Bird Flu. The complaint alleges that respondent did not have a reasonable basis

efficacy, safety or side effects of any covered product or service be truthful and supported by competent and reliable scientific evidence.

Part III of the proposed order addresses the deceptive endorsement claim by requiring that respondent disclose any material connection between an endorser and responden