UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

| In the Matter of |) | |
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| |) | DOCKET NO. 9336 |
| DYNA-E INTERNATIONAL, INC., |) | |
| a corporation, and |) | AGREEMENT CONTAINING |
| |) | CONSENT ORDER |
| GEORGE WHEELER, |) | |
| individually and as an officer |) | |
| of Dyna-E International, Inc. |) | |
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This agreement, by and between Dyna-E International, Inc., a corporation, and George Wheeler, individually and as an officer of Dyna-E International, Inc. ("respondents"), having been represented by counsel, and counsel for the Federal Trade Commission ("Commission" or "FTC"), is entered into in accordance with the Commission's Rule governing consent order procedures. The parties hereby agree that:

- 1.a. Respondent Dyna-E International, Inc. is a Nevada corporation with its principal office or place of business at 115-11 227th Street, Cambria Heights, New York 11411.
- 1.b. Respondent George Wheeler is an officer of Dyna-E International, Inc. Ideral Trade Commission Act.

- 3. Respondents admit all the jurisdictional facts set forth in the Commission's complaint in this proceeding.
- 4. Respondents waive:
 - a. Any further procedural steps;
 - b. The requirement that the Commission's decision contain a statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law;

- c. All rights to seek judicial review or otherwise to challenge or contest the validity of the order entered pursuant to this agreement; and
- d. Any claim under the Equal Access to Justice Act.
- 5. This agreement shall not become part of the public record of the proceeding unless and until it is accepted by the Commission. If this agreement is accepted by the Commission, it will be placed on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days and information about it publicly released. The Commission thereafter may either withdraw its acceptance of this agreement and so notify respondents, in which event it will take such action as it may consider appropriate, or issue and serve its decision, in disposition of the proceeding.
- 6. This agreement is for settlement purposes only and does not constitute an admission by respondents that the law has been violated as alleged in the Commission's complaint, or that the facts as alleged in the Commission's complaint, other than the jurisdictional facts, are true.
- 7. This agreement contemplates that, if it is accepted by the Commission, and if such acceptance is not subsequently withdrawn by the Commission pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.25(f) of the Commission's Rules, the Commission may without further notice to respondents, (1) issue its decision containing the following order to cease and desist in disposition of the proceeding, and (2) make information about it public. When so entered, the order to cease and desist shall have the same force and effect and may be altered, modified or set aside in the same manner and within the same time provided by statute for other orders. The order shall become final upon service. Delivery of the decision containing the agreed-to order to respondents' address as stated in this agreement by any means specified in Section 4.4(a) of the Commission's Rules shall constitute service. Respondents waive any right they might have to any other manner of service. The complaint may be used in construing the terms of the order, and no agreement, understanding, representation, or interpretation not contained in the order or in the agreement may be used to vary or to contradict the terms of the order.
- 8. Respondents have read the complaint and the order contemplated hereby. They understand that once the order has been issued, they will be required to file one or more compliance reports showing that they have fully complied with the order. Respondents further understand that they may be liable for civil penalties in the amount provided by law and other appropriate relief for each violation of the order after it becomes final.

ORDER

- 2. "Competent and reliable scientific evidence" shall mean tests, analyses, research, studies, or other evidence based on the expertise of professionals in the relevant area, that has been conducted and evaluated in an objective manner by persons qualified to do so, using procedures generally accepted in the profession to yield accurate and reliable results.
- 3. "Is degradable, biodegradable, or photodegradable" shall mean that the entire product or package will completely decompose into elements found in nature within a reasonably short period of time after customary disposal.
- 4. Unless otherwise specified, "respondents" shall mean Dyna-E International, Inc., a corporation, and its successors and assigns, and its officers, agents, representatives, and employees; and George Wheeler, individually and as an officer of Dyna-E International, Inc.

I.

IT IS ORDERED that respondents, directly or through any corporation, partnership, subsidiary, division, or other device, in connection with the manufacturing, labeling, advertising, promotion, offering for sale, sale, or distribution of any product or package, in or affecting commerce, shall not represent, in any manner, expressly or by implication:

- A. That any such product or package is degradable, biodegradable, or photodegradable, unless the representation is true, not misleading, and, at the time it is made, respondents possess and rely upon competent and reliable scientific evidence that substantiates the representation; or
- B. That any such product or package offers any other environmental benefit, unless the representation is true, not misleading, and, at the time it is made, respondents possess and rely upon competent and reliable evidence, which when appropriate must be competent and reliable scientific evidence, that substantiates the representation.

II.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent Dyna-E International, Inc., and its successors and assigns, and respondent George Wheeler shall, for five (5) years after the last date of dissemination of any representation covered by this order, maintain and upon request make available to the Commission for inspection and copying:

- A. All advertisements, labeling, packaging and promotional materials containing the representation;
- B. All materials that were r

- C. All tests, reports, studies, surveys, demonstrations, or other evidence in their possession or control that contradict, qualify, or call into question the representation, or the basis relied upon for the representation, including complaints and other communications with consumers or with governmental or consumer protection organizations; and
- D. All acknowledgments of receipt of this order, obtained pursuant to Part III.

III.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent Dyna-E International, Inc., and its successors and assigns, and respondent George Wheeler shall deliver a copy of this order to all current and future principals, officers, directors, and managers, and to all current and future employees, agents, and representatives having responsibilities with respect to the subject matter of this order, and shall secure from each such person a signed and dated statement acknowledging receipt of the order. Respondents shall deliver this order to current personnel within thirty (30) days after the date of service of this order, and to future personnel within thirty (30) days after the person assumes such position or responsibilities.

IV.

| dismissal or ruling is upheld or | n appeal. | |
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| Signed this | day of | |
| FEDERAL TRADE COMM | ISSION | DYNA-E INTERNATIONAL, INC. |
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