

April 14, 2022

Mr. Glen Cary
Chief Operations Officer
99 Cents Only Stores

Ms. Debbie Rivera
Vice President of Merchandising
99 Cents Only Stores

Dear Mr. Cary and Ms. Rivera,

I'm writing to you as a concerned customer, to encourage 99 Cents Only Stores to take meaningful steps to eliminate toxic chemicals from its products.

Recent tests released by the Campaign for Healthier Solutions show frightening levels of lead, PFAS, BPA, phthalates and PVC in 99 Cents Only staples that many families rely on, from canned food to electronics. This is especially upsetting given that 99 Cents Only has known about the likely presence of these chemicals in their products since 2015, when CHS first urged the company to transition to safer alternatives.

I urge you to:

1. Re-establish communication with representatives from the Campaign for Healthier Solutions as soon as possible.
2. Participate in the Chemical Footprint Project.
3. Publicly release a chemical policy that includes a restricted substance list and commitments to phase out specific chemicals of concern by 2023.

Other retailers have already taken significant steps to work with their suppliers to disclose, reduce, and eliminate toxic chemicals in their supply chain. For example, Dollar Tree has already identified and successfully removed 17 chemicals on their restricted substance list (RSL) from the products that they sell, and committed to further identifying chemicals to add to their RSL. And notably, they have committed to eliminating phthalates and PFAS from their private label products by 2022.

Please, protect your customers by taking steps to get harmful chemicals out of your products!

Sincerely,