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Posner v. Hain Celestial Group, No. 13cv9310 (C.D. Cal.): Plaintiffs allege that defendants falsely market their teas as "100% natural" but contend that third-party testing reveals that defendant's teas contain residue of pesticides, herbicides and other chemicals in excess of U.S. pollution standards. Complaint. Levin v. Hain Celestial Group, No. 13cv 9314 (C.D. Cal.): Plaintiffs allege that defendants falsely market their teas as "100% natural" but contend that third-party testing reveals that defendants' teas contain residue of pesticides, herbicides and other chemicals in excess of U.S. pollution standards. Complaint. Rhinerson v. Van's International Foods, Inc., No. 13cv5923 (C.D. Cal.): Plaintiffs allege that defendant's frozen waffles and other products are falsely labeled "natural" but contain "synthetic" ingredients, focused on the ingredient sodium acid pyrophosphate. Complaint. Melvin v. Blue Diamond Growers, No. BC532044 (Cal. Super., Los Angeles County): Plaintiffs allege that Blue Diamond almond milks are labeled "all natural" but contain artificial ingredients, including alkalized cocoa, potassium citrate, and Vitamin A palmitate. Complaint. Klacko v. Diamond Foods, Inc., No. 14cv80005 (S.D. Fla.): Plaintiffs allege that TIAS-brand tortilla chips are labeled "all natural" but contain synthetic and/or artificial ingredients, including maltodextrin and dextrose. Complaint. O'Dea v. Conagra Foods, Inc., Plaintiff alleges that various of defendant's Chef Boyardee pastas are labeled "No MSG" or "No MSG Added" but contain ingredients that contain MSG. Complaint.

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