

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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TO:

GENERAL CONSUMING PUBLIC

SUBJECT:

Public Health Warning Against the Use of Counterfeit Cosmetic

Products (Batch 6)

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advises the public against the purchase and use of the cosmetic product, L'ORÉAL PARIS EASY TO PERM whose particulars/details are provided below:

PRODUCT DETAILS

PRODUCT IMAGE/S

Local Company Responsible for Placing the Product in the Market: Not Indicated

Address: Not Indicated

Country of Manufacture: Label is in Foreign Language







FDA, in coordination with the Market Authorization Holder (MAH), L'Oreal Philippines Inc., has verified that the aforementioned cosmetic product is a **COUNTERFEIT**. According to the MAH, in addition to the aforementioned cosmetic product not being a part of their local portfolio, the product packaging is not in accordance with the label requirements of L'Oreal Paris products, thus, is a definite counterfeit.

Counterfeit products, not having gone through the required safety assessment and the verification process of the FDA, pose potential health hazards to the consuming public since their safety and purity cannot be guaranteed. The dangers/hazards may come from ingredients that are not allowed to be part of a cosmetic product or from the contamination of heavy metals such as lead and mercury. The use of substandard and possibly adulterated cosmetic products may result to adverse reactions including but not limited to skin irritation, itchiness, anaphylactic shock and organ failure.

In light of the above, the public is advised to be vigilant against buying and using the aforementioned counterfeit cosmetic product. Moreover, the public is also advised to be vigilant against cosmetic products that might not be duly notified with FDA. Always check if a cosmetic product has been notified with FDA before purchasing it by making use of the embedded *Search* feature of the FDA website accessible at www.fda.gov.ph.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute the above-identified violative cosmetic product, otherwise, regulatory actions and sanctions shall be strictly pursued.



All Local Government Units (LGUs) and Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) are requested to ensure that the product is not sold or made available in their localities or areas of jurisdiction.

To report any suspicious and/or illegal activity involving the said product, the public may contact FDA through its online reporting facility, **eReport**, at www.fda.gov.ph/ereport, or e-mail us at report@fda.gov.ph, or call the Center for Cosmetics Regulation and Research (CCRR) hotline (02) 857-1979 or (02) 857-1984.

For more information and inquiries regarding L'Oreal Paris products, consumers may contact the MAH through any of the following channels:

Product Brand	Contact Information
L'Oreal Paris	Email: consumer.care@ph.loreal.com
	Hotline No.: (02) 672-7200
	Facebook Account: https://www.facebook.com/LOrealParisPhilippines/

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested

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