

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

IN RE AUTOMOTIVE PARTS
ANTITRUST LITIGATION

IN RE: AUTOMOTIVE HOSES CASES

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:
ALL DIRECT PURCHASER CASES

Master File No. 12-md-02311
Honorable Sean F. Cox

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PURCHASERS OF AUTOMOTIVE HOSES
PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE DOCUMENT CAREFULLY**

**YOU MUST COMPLETE AND SUBMIT A CLAIM FORM, POSTMARKED ON
OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 26, 2021, TO BE ELIGIBLE TO SHARE IN THE DISTRIBUTION
OF THE PROCEEDS OF SETTLEMENTS WITH THE SUMITOMO RIKO
AND TOYODA GOSEI DEFENDANTS**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING A CLAIM FORM

If you are a **direct** purchaser of Automotive Hoses (and you have remained in either or both of the Sumitomo Riko or Toyoda Gosei Settlement Classes), you may be entitled to share in the distribution of the proceeds of settlements with those Defendants (the "Settlement Fund"). To receive your share of the Settlement Fund, you or a person you have authorized to act on your behalf must submit a timely and valid Claim Form in accordance with the instructions set forth herein.

Please note that if you have chosen to be excluded from either or both of the Sumitomo Riko or Toyoda Gosei Settlement Classes you may not participate in the distribution of the settlement funds attributable to the Settlement Class from which you have been excluded.

Any potential Settlement Class Member who requests exclusion from the Sumitomo Riko or Toyoda Gosei Settlement Class shall not be precluded, restricted, barred or limited in any way from participating in any future settlements relating to other Defendants in the Action.

Eligibility: You are eligible to submit a claim seeking to share in the distribution of the Settlement Fund if, during the period from February 1, 2004 through November 1, 2018 (the "Class Period"), you purchased Automotive Hoses in the United States **directly** from one or more of the following companies (or their subsidiaries or affiliates): (1) Sumitomo Riko Company Limited; (2) Sumitomo Riko America, Inc.; (3) SumiRiko Tennessee, Inc.; (4) Toyoda Gosei Co., Ltd.; (5) Toyoda Gosei North America Corp.; and (6) TG Missouri Corp.

The term "Automotive Hoses" refers to "low-pressure rubber hoses used in automobile engine compartments and plastic and resin tubes used in automobile engine compartments and fuel tank modules."

Submission of Claim: Each Claim Form must be signed and verified by the claimant or a person authorized to act on behalf of the claimant, and must be **postmarked no later than February 26, 2021**. Claim Forms should be addressed to:

Settlement Administrator
Automotive Hoses Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation
PO Box 6659
Portland, OR 97228-6659

Do **not** send your Claim Form to the Court or to any of the parties or their counsel. If you receive multiple copies of the Claim Form, complete only one Claim Form covering all of your qualifying purchases. Do not submit more than one claim, and do not submit duplicate claims.

Please note that it will take a significant amount of time to process accurately all of the Claim Forms and to administer the Settlement Fund. This work will be completed as promptly as time permits, given the need to review each Claim Form. Thank you for your patience.

Photocopies of Form: A claim may be submitted using a photocopy of the Claim Form. Other forms, or altered versions of the Claim Form, will not be accepted. Additional copies of the Claim Form may be requested from the Settlement Administrator or obtained at the settlement website www.AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation.com/AutomotiveHoses.

Completion and Support of Claim: Please type or neatly print all requested information. Failure to complete all parts of the Claim Form may result in denial of the claim, delay its processing, or otherwise adversely affect the claim. All information submitted in a Claim Form is subject to further inquiry and verification. The Settlement Administrator may ask you to provide supporting information. Failure to provide requested information also might delay, adversely affect, or result in denial of the claim.

The Claim Form asks for certain information relating to your purchases of Automotive Hoses, a description of available documentation that supports your claimed purchases, and summary totals of your purchases from each Defendant and for each year during the class period.

**ONLY INCLUDE IN YOUR CLAIM FORM PURCHASES OF AUTOMOTIVE HOSES
IN THE UNITED STATES *DIRECTLY* FROM ONE OR MORE OF THE COMPANIES
LISTED ABOVE UNDER THE “ELIGIBILITY” HEADING DURING THE PERIOD
FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2004 THROUGH NOVEMBER 1, 2018.**

INDIRECT PURCHASES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.

Schedule of Purchases: General Worksheet: Please fill out the Schedule of Purchases: General Worksheet with the company names, the quantity of products purchased, and purchase totals for each year of the Class Period (February 1, 2004 through November 1, 2018) in which you directly purchased Automotive Hoses in the United States from any of Defendants, which are specifically identified in the “Eligibility” portion of this form, above. If you have questions regarding the completion of the Schedule of Purchases, please contact the Settlement Administrator via email at info@AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation-Hoses.com, or by calling 1-877-432-3814.

Claims of Separate Entities: Each corporation, trust, or other business entity making a claim must submit its claim on a separate Claim Form.

Taxpayer Identification Number: A Claim Form is not complete without the federal taxpayer identification number of the claimant.

Keep a copy: You should keep a copy of your completed Claim Form for your records. You should also retain all of your documents and records relating to **direct** purchases of Automotive Hoses in the United States from any of the listed companies during the period from February 1, 2004 through November 1, 2018. As part of the claims administration process, you may be required to verify certain information about your Automotive Hoses purchases such as the quantity of product(s) purchased, the type of products purchased, the dollar amount(s), the date(s) of the purchases, and the company(ies) from which you **directly** purchased the Automotive Hoses. You may be asked to submit purchase records to verify your claim.

Confirmation of Receipt of Claim: The receipt of Claim Forms will **not** be confirmed or acknowledged automatically by the Settlement Administrator. If you wish to have confirmation that your Claim Form has been received, send it by certified mail, return receipt requested.

Assistance: If you have any questions concerning this Claim Form or need additional copies, contact the Settlement Administrator at: Automotive Hoses Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation, PO Box 6659, Portland, OR 97228-6659, via email at info@AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation-Hoses.com, or by calling 1-877-432-3814. You may also contact your own attorney or other person to assist you, at your own expense.

NOTICE REGARDING SOLICITATIONS FROM CLAIMS ASSISTANCE COMPANIES: THERE ARE COMPANIES THAT CONTACT CLASS MEMBERS TO OFFER ASSISTANCE IN FILING A CLAIM IN EXCHANGE FOR A PORTION OF ANY SETTLEMENT FUNDS THE CLASS MEMBER MAY RECOVER. THESE COMPANIES ARE NOT AFFILIATED WITH PLAINTIFF OR DEFENDANTS OR THEIR COUNSEL, AND YOU DO NOT NEED TO USE THEM TO FILE A CLAIM.

When records are not available, you may submit purchase information based on estimates. Estimates can be based on extrapolation from similar circumstances in analogous contexts in the same year (for which you have documentation); or extrapolation from the same or nearly the same circumstances, but in other years (for which you have documentation); or from reports of actual or estimated vehicle production and your records or estimates of the value of Automotive Hoses content per vehicle. For example, if you have no records allowing you to calculate your purchases in 2004, you may calculate those purchases by using available records dated as close to that year as possible (e.g., 2003 or 2005), adjusting for appropriate volume differences and any inflationary unit costs.

Please note that your claim is subject to audit by the Settlement Administrator and you may, at a later time, be required to provide copies of some or all of the underlying documentation supporting your claim. If you submit your purchase information based on estimates, or sales data and trends, you may be required to explain how you calculated the estimated purchases, and you may be required to provide the documents you used as a basis for your estimates. Accordingly, you should retain your documentation until this litigation has been concluded and the claims review process has been completed.

Here, provide a brief description of the documents (e.g., invoices, purchase journals, accounts payable journals, etc.) or estimation methods used to calculate your claimed purchases:

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING PURCHASES MAY RESULT IN A DELAY IN PROCESSING YOUR CLAIM.

V. EXCLUSION FROM SETTLEMENT CLASS

Identify the Settlement Class(es), if any, **from which you excluded yourself**. If you have not excluded yourself from any of the Settlement Classes, mark “None” and proceed to Section VI:

- Sumitomo Riko Toyoda Gosei None

Please note, this does not constitute a formal request for exclusion. In order to formally request exclusion, if you have not already done so, please refer to the instructions provided in the Notice of Proposed Settlements with the Sumitomo Riko and Toyoda Gosei Defendants.

SCHEDULE OF PURCHASES: GENERAL WORKSHEET

Please fill out the charts on both sides (front and back) of the Schedule of Purchases: General Worksheet, listing the quantity of products purchased and purchase totals for each Defendant (including their subsidiaries or affiliates) and year of the Class Period (February 1, 2004 through November 1, 2018) in which you directly purchased Automotive Hoses in the United States. If you have questions regarding the completion of the Schedule of Purchases, please contact the Settlement Administrator via email at info@AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation-Hoses.com, or by calling 1-877-432-3814.

Year Purchased	Sumitomo Riko Defendants ¹		Toyoda Gosei Defendants ²	
	Est. Quantity of Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Est. Quantity of Products Purchased	Amount Purchased
2/1/04-12/31/04		(\$)		(\$)
2005		(\$)		(\$)
2006		(\$)		(\$)
2007		(\$)		(\$)
2008		(\$)		(\$)
2009		(\$)		(\$)

List the quantity of products purchased and dollar amount of **direct purchases** of Automotive Hoses from each of the Defendants for each year during the Class Period. The purchase amounts must be the net amounts paid after deducting any discounts, rebates, taxes, delivery and freight charges. **INDIRECT PURCHASES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.**

¹ Sumitomo Riko Company Limited, Sumitomo Riko America, Inc., and SumiRiko Tennessee, Inc.

² Toyoda Gosei Co., Ltd., Toyoda Gosei North America Corp., and TG Missouri Corp.

Year Purchased (cont.)	Sumitomo Riko Defendants		Toyoda Gosei Defendants	
	Est. Quantity of Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Est. Quantity of Products Purchased	Amount Purchased
2010		(\$)		(\$)
2011		(\$)		(\$)
2012		(\$)		(\$)
2013		(\$)		(\$)
2014		(\$)		(\$)
2015		(\$)		(\$)
2016		(\$)		(\$)
2017		(\$)		(\$)
1/1/18-11/1/18		(\$)		(\$)
TOTAL AMOUNT PURCHASED (Required)		(\$)		(\$)