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

IN RE AUTOMOTIVE PARTS ANTITRUST LITIGATION

CASE NO. 12-MD-02311 HON. MARIANNE O. BATTANI

In Re: INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTERS

THIS RELATES TO:

ALL DIRECT PURCHASER ACTIONS

2:12-cv-00201-MOB-MKM

SETTLEMENT CLASS COUNSEL'S REPORT ON DISSEMINATION OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED PLAN FOR DISTRIBUTION OF NIPPON SEIKI AND YAZAKI SETTLEMENT FUNDS AND REQUESTS FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE PAYMENT AND CLASS MEMBERS' RESPONSE

Settlement Class Counsel submit the following report concerning the dissemination of notice pursuant to this Court's Order dated July 27, 2018 (2:12-cv-0201, Doc. No. 208) (the "Notice Order"), and Settlement Class members' response to the notice program. As described more fully below, notice was mailed to 351 potential Settlement Class members and published in accordance with the Notice Order. No objections were filed to the proposed plan for distribution of settlement funds, to Settlement Class Counsel's request for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of litigation costs and expenses, or to the request for an incentive payment to the Class Representative.

Settlement Class Counsel respectfully submit that the complete absence of objections militates strongly in favor of the proposed plan for distribution of settlement funds, and the requests for attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses, and an incentive payment.

I. <u>DISSEMINATION OF NOTICE TO THE CLASS</u>

Pursuant to the Court's Notice Order, on August 16, 2018 Epiq Class Action & Claims Solutions, Inc. ("Epiq"), the Notice and Claims Administrator retained by Direct Purchaser Plaintiff, mailed 351 copies of the Notice of Hearing on Proposed Plan of Distribution of Settlement Fund, and Settlement Class Counsel's Requests for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Expenses and an Incentive Payment to the Class Representative, and Claim Form (the "Notice"), to potential Settlement Class members by first class mail, postage prepaid. Declaration of Ryan Kao, Senior Project Manager for Epiq. Exhibit 1 at ¶ 6. Epiq also re-mailed returned notices for which updated addresses were obtained. *Id.* at ¶ 7. In addition, a copy of the Notice was (and remains) posted online at www.AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation.com/ipc, a website dedicated to this litigation. *Id.* at ¶ 9.

Also in accordance with the Notice Order, the Summary Notice of Hearing on Proposed Plan of Distribution of Settlement Fund, and Settlement Class Counsel's Requests for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Expenses and an Incentive Payment to the Class Representative (the "Summary Notice") was published in the national edition of *The Wall Street Journal* and in *Automotive News* on August 27, 2018. *Id.* at ¶ 8.

Notice to the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Classes under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 has, therefore, been provided as ordered by the Court.

II. ABSENCE OF OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION PLAN, AND REQUESTS FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES AND AN INCENTIVE PAYMENT

The Notice advised that any objection to the proposed plan for distribution, or to Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses, or the request for an incentive payment had to be filed with the Clerk by October 5, 2018, with copies mailed to Settlement Class Counsel and to counsel for Nippon Seiki and Yazaki.

As of the date of the filing of this Report, no objection to the proposed plan for distribution of the Settlement Fund, the request for an award of attorneys' fees, litigation costs and expenses, or the request for an incentive payment to the Class Representative has been filed with the Court or received by Settlement Class Counsel.

III. THE REACTION OF MEMBERS OF THE SETTLEMENT CLASSES SUPPORTS APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED PLAN FOR DISTRIBUTION AND THE REQUESTS FOR AN AWARD OF FEES AND EXPENSES AND AN INCENTIVE PAYMENT

The reaction of the class has been recognized repeatedly by courts within this Circuit and elsewhere as a factor in evaluating the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of a proposed Settlement, and related matters. *See*, *e.g.*, *Sheick v. Auto. Component Carrier LLC*, No. 2:09–cv–14429, 2010 WL 4136958, at *22 (E.D. Mich. Oct. 18, 2010) ("scarcity of objections – relative to the number of class members overall – indicates broad support for the settlement among Class Members."); *In re Cardizem CD Antitrust Litig.*, 218 F.R.D. 508, 527 (E.D. Mich. 2003) ("That the overwhelming majority of class members have elected to remain in the Settlement Class, without objection, constitutes the 'reaction of the class,' as a whole, and demonstrates that the Settlement is 'fair, reasonable, and adequate.""); *In re Delphi Corp. Sec., Deriv. & "ERISA" Litig.*, 248 F.R.D. 483, 499 (E.D. Mich. 2008) (small number of opt-outs or objections is indicative of the adequacy of the settlement).

Individual notice was mailed to 351 potential Settlement Class members identified by Defendants, published in *Automotive News* and in *The Wall Street Journal*, and posted on-line. The

total absence of objections militates strongly in favor of approval of the proposed plan for distribution of settlement funds, the requests for attorneys' fees, litigation costs and expenses, and an incentive payment to the Class Representative.

IV. REQUEST FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES

As of July 31, 2018, Plaintiff's Counsel's lodestar, based upon historical rates, was \$9,868,766.32. Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs' Memorandum in Support of Its Motion for an Award of Attorney's Fees, Litigation Costs and Expenses, and Incentive Payment to the Class Representative, at 8 (the "Fee Brief") (2:12-cv-0201, Doc. No. 218). Since that date, Plaintiff's Counsel have continued their efforts on behalf of the Settlement Classes by, among other things, drafting the final settlement fund distribution submission and overseeing the dissemination of notice to members of the Settlement Class in accordance with the Notice Order. As a result of this continued effort, as of September 30, 2018, Plaintiff's Counsel's combined lodestar was \$9,933,255.82. Were the Court to award a fee of 331/3% of the \$7,750,000 Settlement Amount, after deducting reimbursed costs and expenses in the amount of \$213,264.80, the multiplier on the more current lodestar would be a negative lodestar multiplier of approximately .25.

V. CONCLUSION

Based upon the foregoing, and for the reasons set forth in the Memorandum in Support of Direct Purchaser Plaintiff's Motion for Approval of Proposed Plan for Distribution of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Funds (2:12-cv-0201, Doc. No. 217) and the Fee Brief, it is respectfully requested that the Court grant approval of the proposed plan for distribution of settlement funds, and the requests for attorneys' fees, litigation costs and expenses and an incentive payment to the Class Representative.

DATED: October 29, 2018 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on October 29, 2018, I electronically filed the foregoing paper with the Clerk of the court using the ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all counsel of record registered for electronic filing.

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EXHIBIT 1

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

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In Re: AUTOMOTIVE PARTS : 12-md-02311

ANTITRUST LITIGATION : Honorable Marianne O. Battani

In Re: INSTRUMENT PANEL

CLUSTERS

THIS RELATES TO: : 2:12-cv-00201-MOB-MKM

ALL DIRECT PURCHASER ACTIONS:

DECLARATION OF RYAN KAO RE DISSEMINATION OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION OF NIPPON SEIKI AND YAZAKI SETTLEMENT FUND

- I, Ryan Kao, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am a Senior Project Manager for Epiq Class Action & Claims Solutions, Inc. ("Epiq"), the Settlement Administrator in the above-captioned case. I am familiar with the actions taken by Epiq with respect to the settlements reached in this case between the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs and the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Defendants, as well as the corresponding Class Notice program relating to the proposed plan of distribution of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Fund. This declaration is based upon my personal knowledge and information provided by Defendants' counsel, Plaintiffs' counsel, and employees and staff under my supervision and is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge.
- 2. Epiq was established in 1968 as a client services and data processing company. Epiq has been administering bankruptcies since 1985 and settlements since 1993, including settlements of class actions, mass tort litigations, Securities and Exchange Commission

enforcement actions, Federal Trade Commission disgorgement actions, insurance disputes, bankruptcies, and other major litigation.

3. Epiq has administered more than 1,000 settlements, including some of the largest and most complex cases ever settled. Epiq's class action case administration services include: coordination of all notice requirements; design of direct-mail notices; establishment and implementation of notice fulfillment services; coordination with the United States Postal Service ("USPS"); notice website development and maintenance; dedicated telephone lines with recorded information and/or telephone agents; receipt and processing of opt-outs; claims database management; claim adjudication; funds management; and award calculations and distribution services. Epiq works with the settling parties, the Court, and the Class Members in a neutral facilitation role to implement settlement administration services based on the negotiated terms of a settlement.

OVERVIEW OF EPIQ'S RESPONSIBILITIES AS THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATOR

- 4. Epig's responsibilities included the following:
 - a. Printing the Court-approved Direct Purchaser Class Notice and Claim Form ("NSY
 Claim Package") to be sent to putative Class Members;
 - b. Searching the National Change of Address ("NCOA") database for updated addresses, if any, for putative Class Members;
 - c. Mailing the NSY Claim Package by USPS First-class mail to putative Class Members;
 - d. Causing the Summary Publication Notice to be placed in one edition of *Automotive News* and in the national edition of *The Wall Street Journal*;

- e. Maintaining a toll-free telephone number with customer service telephone agents and an option to request a call back if reached during non-business hours; and
- f. Maintaining an informational website that provides the public access to pertinent documents and settlement information.

CLASS NOTICE

- 5. In preparation for mailing the NSY Claim Packages, Epiq received lists of potential Settlement Class members from Settlement Class Counsel. Epiq then submitted the names and addresses of those potential Class Members to cross-reference with the NCOA database for updated address information. By eliminating duplicate records and invalid mailing addresses, Epiq refined the database to include 351 names and addresses of potential Class Members.
- 6. On August 16, 2018, Epiq mailed the NSY Claim Package by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the 351 potential Class Members. A copy of the NSY Claim Package is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 7. As of October 25, 2018, Epiq has received a total of 67 NSY Claim Packages returned by the U.S. Postal Service as undeliverable and has remailed 30 NSY Claim Packages to those records. As of October 25, 2018, there are 37 records that remain undeliverable.

PUBLICATION NOTICE

8. Epiq caused the publication of the Summary Publication Notice in one edition of *Automotive News* on August 27, 2018, and in the national edition of *The Wall Street Journal*, on August 27, 2018. Confirmation of the publication and copies of the Summary Publication Notice as it appeared in *Automotive News* and *The Wall Street Journal* are attached hereto as Exhibit B.

SETTLEMENT WEBSITE

- 9. On August 16, 2018, Epiq updated portions of the public settlement website to provide Direct Purchase Class Members with information related to the proposed settlements. The domain name for the website is www.AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation.com/ipc. The website provides general case information and links to important documents, including the Settlement Agreements, the NSY Claim Package, and other documents related to the settlements.
- 10. As of October 25, 2018, there have been 1796 page views and 138 unique visitors to the settlement website.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this 26th day of October, 2018 in New York, New York.

Ryan Kao

Senior Project Manager, Client Services | Epiq

EXHIBIT A

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

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CASE NO. 12-MD-02311 HON. MARIANNE O. BATTANI

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NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION OF THE NIPPON SEIKI AND YAZAKI SETTLEMENT FUND, AND SETTLEMENT CLASS COUNSEL'S REQUESTS FOR AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES AND AN INCENTIVE PAYMENT TO THE CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

TO: ALL DIRECT PURCHASERS OF INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTERS IN THE UNITED STATES DIRECTLY FROM ANY OF THE DEFENDANTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 27, 2016.

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY LITIGATION NOW PENDING IN THIS COURT.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE AND WHY WAS IT SENT TO ME?

This Notice is given pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Order of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of a hearing before the Court to consider:

- (1) A proposed plan of distribution of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki settlement proceeds to Settlement Class members and a proposed Claim Form that you may submit in order to share in the Settlement Fund proceeds; and
- (2) Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of their litigation costs and expenses, and an incentive payment to the Class Representative.

This Notice provides information concerning the proposed plan of distribution, and the requests for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses and an incentive payment to the Class Representative. The Notice also advises you of your rights to participate in the settlement claims process and to object to the plan of distribution, to the requests for fees and expenses, and to an incentive payment to the Class Representative in connection with the Court hearing on these matters.

BACKGROUND

This class action lawsuit is part of coordinated legal proceedings involving a number of parts used in motor vehicles. This litigation, and the proposed settlement, relate solely to Instrument Panel Clusters purchased **directly** from a Defendant. For purposes of the settlement, Instrument Panel Clusters (also referred to as meters) means the mounted array of instruments and gauges housed in front of the driver of a motor vehicle.

You were previously notified of the existence of this class action, the nature of the Plaintiff's claims, and settlements with Defendants Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd., N.S. International Ltd., and New Sabina Industries, Inc. (collectively, "Nippon Seiki") in the amount of \$5.25 million, and with Defendants Yazaki Corporation and Yazaki North America, Inc. (collectively, "Yazaki") in the amount of \$2.5 million. Those settlements, in the total amount of \$7.75 million (the "Settlement Fund"), were previously approved by the Court in Orders dated December 4, 2014 and March 13, 2018, respectively.

The other Defendants in this action, Continental Automotive Electronics LLC, Continental Automotive Korea Ltd. Continental Automotive Systems, Inc., Denso Corporation, and Denso International America, have been dismissed from this action. Thus, the proposed plan of distribution and the requests for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses and an incentive payment to the Class Representative will, if approved by the Court, bring this litigation to a conclusion.

WHO IS IN THE NIPPON SEIKI AND YAZAKI SETTLEMENT CLASSES?

The Court previously certified a Direct Purchaser Nippon Seiki Settlement Class (the "Nippon Seiki Settlement Class") and a Direct Purchaser Yazaki Settlement Class (the "Yazaki Settlement Class").

The Nippon Seiki Settlement Class is defined as follows:

All persons or entities (but excluding Defendants, their officers, directors and employees, as well as Defendants' parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, and affiliates) who purchased Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States, its territories and possessions, directly from any Defendant, including Settling Defendants, or from any of their parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, or affiliates, during the period from January 2001 up to and including May 16, 2014.

For purposes of the Nippon Seiki Settlement Class definition, the following are Defendants: Yazaki Corporation; Yazaki North America Inc.; Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd.; N.S. International Ltd.; New Sabina Industries, Inc.; Denso Corporation; and Denso International America, Inc.

The Yazaki Settlement Class is defined as follows:

All direct purchasers of motor vehicle Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States directly from any of the Defendants (or their controlled subsidiaries, affiliates or joint ventures) from January 1, 1998 through December 27, 2016.

For purposes of the Yazaki Settlement Class definition, the following are Defendants: Yazaki Corporation; Yazaki North America, Inc.; Continental Automotive Electronics LLC; Continental Automotive Korea Ltd.; Continental Automotive Systems, Inc.; Denso Corporation; Denso International America, Inc.; Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd.; N.S. International Ltd.; and New Sabina Industries, Inc.

HOW WILL THE SETTLEMENT FUND BE DISTRIBUTED?

You were previously asked to decide whether you wanted to remain in the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Classes. With respect to each of those Settlement Classes, you are bound by the decision you made.

If you remained a member of either of the Settlement Classes and you wish to share in the settlement proceeds attributable to that settlement, you must complete and timely return a copy of the Claim Form that is included with this Notice. Any Claim Form submitted electronically must be submitted on or before November 28, 2018. Any Claim Form submitted via mail must be postmarked on or before November 28, 2018, and sent to the following address:

Instrument Panel Clusters Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation P.O. Box 5110 Portland, OR 97208-5110

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Any Settlement Class member who does not complete and submit a valid and timely Claim Form will not be entitled to share in the Settlement Fund proceeds. The Settlement Fund, with accrued interest, less any amounts approved by the Court for payment of attorneys' fees, litigation and settlement administration costs and expenses, and an incentive payment for the Class Representative (the "Net Settlement Fund"), will be distributed among Settlement Class members who file a timely and valid Claim Form ("Claimants"). The Net Settlement Fund will be distributed *pro rata* to all Claimants based upon their **direct** purchases in the United States from Defendants during the period from (a) January 2001 through and including May 16, 2014 (as to the Nippon Seiki settlement proceeds), and (b) January 1, 1998 through December 27, 2016 (as to the Yazaki settlement proceeds). The distribution will take place as soon as practicable after review, verification, and audit of Claim Forms by the Settlement Administrator and approval by the Court of the Settlement Administrator's recommendations as to the amounts to be paid to the Claimants.

Please do not dispose of any document that reflects payments for your direct purchases of Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States from any Defendant during the period from January 1, 1998 through December 27, 2016. You may need those documents to complete and substantiate your Claim Form, which will be subject to inquiry and verification.

REQUEST FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE PAYMENT

The Court has appointed the law firms identified below as Settlement Class Counsel. These law firms, together with other firms that have worked on this litigation, will file a petition for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of the costs and expenses they have incurred in prosecuting the case. The request of Settlement Class Counsel for attorneys' fees will not exceed 33 1/3 percent of the Settlement Fund. Settlement Class Counsel will also request an incentive payment to the Class Representative in the amount of \$15,000.

The application for attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses, and an incentive payment will be filed on or before September 17, 2018. If you remained a member of either the Nippon Seiki Settlement Class or the Yazaki Settlement Class and you wish to object to the requests for fees and expenses or the request for an incentive payment to the Class Representative, you must do so in writing in accordance with the procedures for objections set forth below. If you do not oppose any of these requests, you do not need to take any action in that regard.

WHEN WILL THE COURT CONSIDER THESE MATTERS AND HOW CAN I TELL THE COURT WHAT I THINK?

The Court will hold a hearing on November 8, 2018, at 11 a.m., at the Theodore Levin United States Courthouse, 231 West Lafayette Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48226, Courtroom 737 (or such other courtroom as may be assigned for the hearing), to determine whether to approve the proposed plan of distribution of the Settlement Fund, and Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses and an incentive payment to the Class Representative. The hearing may be rescheduled, continued or adjourned, and the courtroom assigned for the hearing may be changed, without further notice to you.

If you remained a member of either the Nippon Seiki or the Yazaki Settlement Class and you wish to object to the proposed plan of distribution of the Settlement Fund, or to Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and an incentive payment to the Class Representative, you must do so in writing and at your own expense. Any such objection must include the caption of this litigation, must be signed, and must be **filed no later than October 5, 2018**, with the Clerk of Court, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, Theodore Levin United States Courthouse, 231 West Lafayette Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48226, and mailed to the following counsel, **postmarked no later than October 5, 2018**:

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If you do not object to the proposed plan of distribution of the Settlement Fund, or to Settlement Class Counsel's requests for attorneys' fees and expenses or the incentive payment, you do not need to appear at the hearing or take any other action at this time. You must, however, complete and timely submit a Claim Form if you wish to share in the distribution of the Settlement Fund.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I WANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR IF MY ADDRESS CHANGES?

If this Notice reached you at an address other than the one on the mailing label, or if your address changes, please send your correct address to Instrument Panel Clusters Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation, P.O. Box 5110, Portland, OR 97208-5110.

The Settlement Agreements and other public documents filed in this litigation are available for review during normal business hours at the offices of the Clerk of Court, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, Theodore Levin United States Courthouse, 231 West Lafayette Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48226. Copies of the Settlement Agreements and certain other documents relevant to this litigation are available at www.AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation.com. In addition, all documents filed in the case may be obtained through the Public Access to Court Electronic Records system, after registration and payment of the required fees. Questions concerning the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki settlements, the proposed plan of distribution, or the other matters discussed in this Notice may be directed to any of the Settlement Class Counsel identified above.

Please do not contact the Clerk of the Court or the Judge.

DATED: AUGUST 16, 2018 BY ORDER OF:

Honorable Marianne O. Battani The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division

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

IN RE AUTOMOTIVE PARTS ANTITRUST LITIGATION	CASE NO. 12-MD-02311 HON. MARIANNE O. BATTANI
In Re: INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTERS	
THIS RELATES TO: ALL DIRECT PURCHASER ACTIONS	2:12-cv-00201-MOB-MKM

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PURCHASERS OF INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTERS PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE DOCUMENT CAREFULLY

YOU MUST COMPLETE AND MAIL A CLAIM FORM, POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 28, 2018, TO BE ELIGIBLE TO SHARE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROCEEDS OF SETTLEMENTS WITH THE NIPPON SEIKI AND YAZAKI DEFENDANTS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING A CLAIM FORM

If you are a **direct** purchaser of Instrument Panel Clusters (and you have remained in either or both of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Classes), you may be entitled to share in the distribution of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki settlement proceeds (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 the Nippon Seiki Settlement Class you may not participate in the distribution of the Nippon Seiki settlement proceeds, and if you have chosen to be excluded from the Yazaki Settlement Class you may not participate in the distribution of the Yazaki settlement proceeds.

Eligibility: You are eligible to submit a claim seeking to share in the distribution of the Settlement Fund in this litigation if, during the period from January 1, 1998 to December 27, 2016 (the "Class Period"), you purchased Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States directly from one or more of the following companies: (1) Yazaki Corporation; (2) Yazaki North America, Inc.; (3) Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd.; (4) N.S. International Ltd.; (5) New Sabina Industries, Inc.; (6) Continental Automotive Korea Ltd.; (7) Continental Automotive Systems, Inc.; (8) Denso Corporation; or (9) Denso International America, Inc.

As used here, "Instrument Panel Clusters" (also referred to as meters) means the mounted array of instruments and gauges housed in front of the driver of a motor vehicle.

<u>Submission of Claim</u>: If you are submitting a paper Claim Form, the 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 November 28, 2018**. Paper Claim Forms should be addressed to:

Settlement Administrator Instrument Panel Clusters Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation P.O. Box 5110 Portland, OR 97208-5110

Claim Forms may also be submitted electronically via the settlement website, www.AutoPartsAntiTrustLitigation.com/IPC. If you submit an electronic Claim Form you will be given a submission confirmation number and the ability to provide a digital version of the Schedule of Purchases. Electronic Claim Forms must be **submitted no later than November 28, 2018**.





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.

A Claim Form received by the Settlement Administrator shall be deemed to have been submitted (1) when it is submitted online, or (2) when it is posted, if it is addressed in accordance with the above instructions and mailed by **November 28, 2018**, and a postmark is indicated on the envelope. In all other cases, the Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted when it is actually received by the Settlement Administrator.

Please note that it will take a significant amount of time to process 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. Accurate claims processing takes a significant amount of time. Thank you for your patience.

REMINDER: YOU MAY SUBMIT YOUR CLAIM ELECTRONICALLY AT WWW.AUTOPARTSANTITRUSTLITIGATION.COM/IPC.

<u>Photocopies of Form</u>: A claim may be submitted on 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/IPC.

<u>Completion and Support of Claim:</u> 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 Instrument Panel Clusters, 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 INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTERS IN THE UNITED STATES *DIRECTLY* FROM ONE OR MORE OF THE COMPANIES LISTED ABOVE UNDER THE "ELIGIBILITY" HEADING DURING THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 1998 TO DECEMBER 27, 2016.

INDIRECT PURCHASES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE.

<u>Schedule of Purchases: General Worksheet</u>: Please fill out the Schedule of Purchases: General Worksheet with the company names, products purchased, and purchase totals for each year of the Class Period (January 1, 1998 to December 27, 2016) in which you directly purchased Instrument Panel Clusters 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-ipc.com, or by calling 1-800-574-2375.

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

<u>Taxpayer Identification Number</u>: 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 Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States from any of the listed companies during the period from January 1, 1998 to December 27, 2016. As part of the claims administration process, you may be required to verify certain information about your Instrument Panel Clusters purchases such as the product(s) purchased, the dollar amount(s), the date(s) of the purchases, and the company(ies) from which you **directly** purchased the Instrument Panel Clusters. You may be asked to submit purchase records to verify your claim.

<u>Confirmation of Receipt of Claim</u>: The receipt of paper 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. If you submit an electronic Claim Form through the settlement website you will receive a confirmation code.







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Assistance: If you have any questions concerning this Claim Form or need additional copies, contact the Settlement Administrator at Instrument Panel Clusters Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation, P.O. Box 5110, Portland, OR 97208-5110, via email at Info@AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation-ipc.com, or by calling 1-800-574-2375. 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 PLAINTIFFS OR DEFENDANTS OR THEIR COUNSEL, AND YOU DO NOT NEED TO USE THEM TO FILE A CLAIM.



CLAIM FORM

IDENTITY OF CLAIMANT Please indicate whether the person filing this claim is a direct filer or a third party filer (select only one): Direct Filer (you, or your company, made the direct purchases of Instrument Panel Clusters during the Class Period) Third Party Filer (you, or your company, are authorized to file this claim on behalf of the claimant listed below) If you selected "Direct Filer," please indicate your (the claimant's) name and contact information in Section II ("Claimant Information"). Then, skip Section III, and proceed directly to Section IV. If you selected "Third Party," please indicate the claimant's name and contact information in Section II ("Claimant Information"). Then, please provide your filer information in Section III ("Third Party Filer Information"), before proceeding to Section IV. Please note: If you selected "Third Party Filer," correspondence concerning this claim will be directed to the contact person provided in "Third Party Filer Information." **CLAIMANT INFORMATION** Claimant Name (Individual or Entity): Address 1: Address 2: City: State: ZIP Code: Country: Contact Person: Contact Person E-Mail Address: Contact Person Phone Number: Claimant is a (Check one): ☐ Individual ☐ Trustee in Bankruptcy ☐ Partnership Corporation If the claimant on whose behalf this claim is being submitted acquired the rights that are the basis of their claim from some other person or entity (as assignee, transferee, successor or otherwise), please check the box below and attach

PLEASE PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATOR OF ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION SET FORTH ABOVE.

This claim is based upon an assignment or transfer and I have attached copies of supporting legal documents.

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copies of legal documents that support the acquisition of your claim.





III. THIRD PARTY FILER INFORMATION

Only complete this section if you selected "Third Party Filer" at the start of Section I. Please note: As a Third Party Filer, you are required to provide supporting documents demonstrating the authorization to file on behalf of the claimant. If no documentation is provided upon submission of this claim, the Settlement Administrator will request the documentation prior to completion of processing.

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PLEASE PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATOR OF ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION SET FORTH ABOVE.

IV. PURCHASES

On the attached Schedule of Purchases: General Worksheet, list the total amount of **direct** purchases of Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States from each company listed in the "Eligibility" section above for each year during the period from January 1, 1998 to December 27, 2016. The purchase amounts must be the net amounts paid after deducting any discounts, rebates, price reductions, taxes, or delivery and freight charges. Purchases from companies that are not listed above should <u>not</u> be included.

When records are available to allow you to calculate and document the dollar amount of your purchases, you must base your purchase information on those records.

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 Instrument Panel Clusters 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.

¹ For purchases during 2014 only, please separately list purchases made from January 1, 2014 through and including May 16, 2014, and purchases made from May 17, 2014 through and including December 31, 2014.







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. Therefore, please retain your documentation until this litigation has been concluded and the claims review process has been completed. 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. You should retain those documents 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 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 either Settlement Class, mark "None" and proceed to Section VI:
Nippon Seiki
☐ Yazaki
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 Hearing on Proposed Plan of Distribution of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Fund.
VI. SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 AND CERTIFICATION
Each claimant must provide the following tax information, required by the IRS. If the correct information is not provided, a portion of any payment that the claimant may be entitled to receive from the Settlement Fund may be withheld for tax purposes. Claimant's federal taxpayer identification number is:
Employer Identification Number Social Security Number
Employer Identification Number (for corporations, trusts, etc.) Social Security Number (for individuals)
OR
Name of taxpayer whose identification number is written above:
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I certify that the above federal taxpayer identification number is correct, that the taxpayer is **NOT** subject to backup withholding under the provisions of Section 3406(a)(1)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code, that the taxpayer is a U.S. person or entity, and that the taxpayer is exempt from FATCA reporting.

NOTE: If you have been notified by the I.R.S. that you are subject to backup withholding, please strike out the word "NOT" in the previous sentence. Instructions regarding IRS Form W-9 are available at the Internal Revenue Service website at http://www.irs.gov.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE DOES NOT REQUIRE YOUR CONSENT TO ANY PROVISION OF THIS DOCUMENT OTHER THAN THE CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED TO AVOID BACKUP WITHHOLDING.

in this Claim Form is true and correct to the best of this claim on behalf of the claimant, that the spe the claimant directly from the companies listed, Settlement Class and has not requested exclusion that this claim is the only claim being submitted being submitted for the same purchases, that the read the accompanying Instructions and the Notic and Yazaki Settlement Fund. Claimant submits to the Eastern District of Michigan for the purpose of	—, declare under penalty of perjury that the information contained of my knowledge and belief, that I am authorized to sign and submit cific purchases of Instrument Panel Clusters listed were made by that the claimant is a member of either the Nippon Seiki or Yazaki from both the Nippon Seiki and the Yazaki Settlement Classes, by the claimant, that the claimant does not know of any other claim claimant has not transferred or assigned its claims, and that I have see of Hearing on Proposed Plan of Distribution of the Nippon Seiki to the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States District Court for finvestigation or discovery (if necessary) with respect to this claim clating to this claim. The filing of a false claim is a violation of the cet the violator to criminal penalties.
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Title of position (If claimant is not an individual)

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 products purchased and purchase totals for each Defendant and year of the Class Period (January 1, 1998 to December 27, 2016) in which you directly purchased Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States. An electronic version of this worksheet is available for electronic submissions through the settlement website www.AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation.com/IPC. If you have questions regarding the completion of the Schedule of Purchases, please contact the Settlement Administrator via email at Info@AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation-ipc.com, or by calling 1-800-574-2375.

Year Purchased	Yazaki Do	efendants ²	Nippon Seiki	i Defendants ³	Denso De	fendants ⁴	Continental Defendants ⁵		
	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	
1998		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
1999		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2000		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2001		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2002		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2003		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2004		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2005		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2006		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	

List the products purchased and dollar amount of **direct purchases** of Instrument Panel Clusters 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.**

⁵ Continental Automotive Electronics LLC; Continental Automotive Korea Ltd.; and/or Continental Automotive Systems, Inc.



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² Yazaki Corporation; and/or Yazaki North America, Inc.

³ Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd.; N.S. International Ltd.; and/or New Sabina Industries, Inc.

⁴ Denso Corporation; and/or Denso International America, Inc.

Year	Yazaki D	efendants	Nippon Seik	i Defendants	Denso De	efendants	Continental Defendants		
Purchased (cont.)	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	Products Purchased	Amount Purchased	
2007		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2008		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2009		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2010		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2011		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2012		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2013		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
01/01/2014- 05/16/2014 ⁶		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
05/17/2014- 12/31/2014		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2015		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
2016		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	
TOTAL AMOUNT PURCHASED (Required)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)		(\$)	

⁶ For purchases during 2014, please separately list purchases made from January 1, 2014 through and including May 16, 2014, and purchases made from May 17, 2014 through and including December 31, 2014.





EXHIBIT B

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California hands GM's dealer scoring another loss

Rejection of RSI as grounds for termination follows N.Y. case

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General Motors may have to reconsider the way it measures and enforces dealership sales effectiveness in the nation's largest vehicle market after a ruling that the company's system violates a state

California's New Motor Vehicle Board ruled Aug. 13 against GM's use of a benchmark called the retail sales index as grounds to terminate the franchise agreement of Folsom Chevrolet, a Sacramento-area dealership owned by Marshal Crossan.

The decision capped a long-running battle between Folsom and GM, which had concluded that Folsom failed to meet sales expectations and sought to revoke its franchise in late 2016.

Attorneys representing Folsom Chevrolet argued that GM's reliance on RSI was a violation because it failed to account for various market conditions, including brand preference, geography and demographics.

The decision follows a similar case in New York, where the state's highest court ruled in 2016, on

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Michael Martinez

ETROIT — After 10 million vehicles over 54 years, the Mustang remains one of the most vital nameplates in Ford Motor Co.'s

It's Exhibit A for what the Ford brand wants to stand for: bold, emotional designs that elicit passion among its cus-

The rest of its cars lack that cachet, which is why, after the Fusion sedan disappears from showrooms early next decade, the Mustang effectively will be Ford's last car standing as the brand shifts to a lineup dominated by pickups and utility vehicles.

Now, Ford is trying to re-create that Mustang magic in its crossover and SUV lineup. One vehicle in particular, a yet-to-be-named battery-electric crossover, was heavily inspired by the Mustang; Ford floated the name Mach

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An automaker with an irreplaceable CEO such as Musk is a throwback.

Could Tesla survive without Elon Musk?

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With coverage of Tesla increasingly dominated by the personality and peccadilloes of CEO Elon Musk, a question that has long lurked around the edges of discourse on the company is becoming harder to ignore: What would happen if Musk was no longer Tesla's CEO?

For many investors, Tesla without

CEO is brash and erratic, but he's a force

Musk is like mornings without coffee: Why bother?

"Why would you invest in Tesla without Elon Musk?" asked Ross Gerber of wealth management firm Gerber Kawasaki, a vocal Tesla supporter and investor. "It doesn't make

And yet, replacing Musk has be-

come a hot topic in the past week, following an emotional and, at times, painful-to-read interview Musk gave The New York Times this month. The newspaper quoted sources saying the Tesla board, concerned in part about Musk's use of sedative Ambien and recreational drugs, is searching for a new No. 2 executive to take

some pressure off Musk. And that interview came after revelations that the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission has been investigating Tesla for its disclosures around production problems and for Musk's tweet this month claiming the company had secured financing to go

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OPINION

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Protect promise of open-source code

ou've heard the old joke about Bill Gates criticizing General Motors, noting that if the company had kept up with technology, then we would be driving \$25 cars that got 1,000 miles to the gallon, or some such. And GM responds that if it built cars like Microsoft, then "for no reason at all, your car would crash twice a day."

Though the exchange never happened, it hints at the complex problem facing the auto industry today.

Cars have transformed from the buggies of Henry Ford's Model T into connected devices, streaming navigation, entertainment and other features through infotainment systems that vie to bring the capabilities of a smartphone, and more, to the dashboard.

The 2017 Autotrader Car Tech Impact Study is reported to have found that 53 percent of consumers expect their vehicles to offer the same level of technology as their phones, keeping them connected on the move.



However, manufacturers on their own are unable to produce enough software at scale and pace to keep up with demand.

A report from Visual Capitalist in 2017 showed that car software contains upward of 100 million lines of code. Only Google, with all of its services, was said to have more code

Automakers know how to make cars that get commuters from A to B. But they have realized that they are not application developers. To help produce the mountain of code that will be required to produce apps that are a joy to use — and not like those GPS interfaces that are reminiscent of Windows 95 - a number of automakers, suppliers and technology firms have come together to share code with one another.

This is the promise of the opensource software movement, which turned 20 years old this year. The idea behind open source is to allow for developers to make use of the code written by others to build better software without the need to reinvent the wheel themselves every time or purchase commercial products

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LEGAL NOTICE

IF YOU PURCHASED INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTERS IN THE UNITED STATES DIRECTLY FROM CONTINENTAL, DENSO, NIPPON SEIKI OR YAZAKI FROM JANUARY 1, 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 27, 2016, YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY PROCEEDINGS RELATED TO SETTLEMENTS WITH THE NIPPON SEIKI AND YAZKI DEFENDANTS.

Settlements totaling \$7.75 million have been reached in *In re Automotive Parts Antitrust Litigation*, Master File No.12-md-02311, 2:12-cv-00201 (E.D. Mich.), with the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Defendants (collectively, the "Settling Defendants").

What is the lawsuit about? This class action is part of coordinated legal proceedings involving Instrument Panel Clusters purchased in the United States **directly** from a Defendant (as defined below). These proceedings do not relate to, and have no effect upon, cases involving any other product.

For purposes of the settlements, "Instrument Panel lusters" (also referred to as meters) means the mounted array of instruments and gauges housed in front of the driver of a

You were previously notified of the existence of this class You were previously notified of the existence of this class action, the nature of the Plaintiff's claims, and settlements with Defendants Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd., N.S. International Ltd., and New Sabina Industries, Inc. (collectively, "Nippon Seiki") in the amount of \$5.25 million, and with Defendants Yazaki Corporation and Yazaki North America, Inc. (collectively, "Yazaki") in the amount of \$2.5 million. Those settlements, in the total amount of \$7.75 million (the "Settlement Fund"), were previously approved by the Court in Orders dated December 4, 2014 and March 13, 2018, respectively.

Who is included? The Court previously certified a Direct Purchaser Nippon Seiki Settlement Class (the "Nippon Seiki Settlement Class") and a Direct Purchaser Yazaki Settlement Class (the "Yazaki Settlement Class").

The Nippon Seiki Settlement Class is defined as follows:

All persons or entities (but excluding Defendants, their officers, directors and employees, as well as Defendants' parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, and affiliates) who purchased Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States, its territories and possessions, directly from any Defendant, including Settling Defendants, or from any of their parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, or affiliates, during the period from January 2001 up to and including May 16, 2014.

For purposes of the Nippon Seiki Settlement Class definition, the following are Defendants: Yazaki Corporation, Yazaki North America Inc., Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd., N.S. International, Ltd., New Sabina Industries, Inc., Denso Corporation, and Denso International America, Inc.

The Yazaki Settlement Class is defined as follows:

All direct purchasers of motor vehicle Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States directly from any of the Defendants (or their controlled subsidiaries affiliates or joint ventures) from January 1, 1998 through December 27, 2016.

For purposes of the Yazaki Settlement Class definition, the following are Defendants: Yazaki Corporation; Yazaki North America, Inc.; Continental Automotive Electronics LLC; Continental Automotive Korea Ltd.; Continental Automotive Systems, Inc.; Denso Corporation; Denso International America, Inc.; Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd.; N.S. International Ltd.; and New Sabina Industries, Inc.

A Notice of Hearing and Claim Form (the "Notice") was mailed to Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlements Class members on or about August 16, 2018. The Notice describes the proposed plan of distribution of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki settlement proceeds and Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses and an incentive payment to the Class Representative. If you did not

receive the Notice, you may obtain a copy on the internet at www.AutoPartsAntitrustLitigation.com, or by calling or writing to any of the following Settlement Class Counsel:

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Your rights may be affected. You were previously asked to decide whether you wanted to remain in the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Classes. With respect to each of those Settlement Classes, you are bound by whatever decision you

If you remained a member of either of the Nippon Seiki or Yazaki Settlement Classes and you wish to share in the settlement proceeds attributable to that settlement, you must complete and timely return a Claim Form. Any Claim Form submitted electronically must be submitted on or before November 28, 2018. Any Claim Form submitted via mail must be postmarked on or before November 28, 2018 Any Settlement Class member who does not complete and submit a valid and timely Claim Form will not be entitled to share in any of the Settlement Fund proceeds.

If you remained a member of either of the Settlement Classes, you have the right to object to the proposed plan of distribution of the Settlement Fund, and to Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses, and an incentive award to the Class Representative, by following the procedures set forth in the Notice. Your objection must be **filed no later than October 5, 2018**.

The Court has scheduled a hearing on November 8, 2018, to consider whether to approve the proposed plan of distribution of the Settlement Fund, and Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses and an incentive award for the Class Representative. The hearing may be rescheduled without further notice to you

If you believe you are a member of either the Nippon Seiki Settlement Class or the Yazaki Settlement Class, you are urged to obtain a copy of the Notice, which explains your rights.

If you have questions regarding the settlements you may contact any one of the Settlement Class Counsel identified above. Do <u>not contact the Clerk of the Court or the Judge.</u> Dated: August 27, 2018

BY ORDER OF: Honorable Marianne O. Battani The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division

Building blocks

The ability to reuse software that is developed and maintained by the community has made open-source code the building blocks of the software industry, allowing developers to work faster and more efficiently by gaining important functions and features for their applications, and concentrating their efforts on the "special sauce" of their proprietary products.

Open-source software such as Linus Torvalds' Linux, which was released in 1991, gave developers over the past two decades the tools to build their products, driving the explosion of innovation that we have witnessed over the past 20 years. The code base of modern applications on the market today is between 60 percent to 80 percent open source. The World Wide Web, smartphones, applications on our PCs - all have benefited from the availability of open-source software that would likely have otherwise evolved at a snail's pace.

To its credit, and out of necessity, the auto industry has embraced this model. One important initiative is the Automotive Grade Linux project under the auspices of the Linux Foundation.

Their Unified Code Base platform has drawn members including Tovota, Honda, Mazda, Oracle, Amazon and many more.

Their goal is to help speed up the development of code for infotainment systems from the glacial 36- to 39-month release schedule, bringing the ecosystem under one roof where all can benefit. The initiative is already bearing fruit, with the 2018 Toyota Camry sporting a system built on AGL's platform.

While infotainment is the jumping-off point, the project hopes to expand to other areas of vehicle software, including connected cars, telematics, safety and even autonomous driving. However, before they hit the road with these more ambitious endeavors, the partners will have to buckle up and

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The romantic comedy led the box office for a second weekend.

'Crazy Rich Asians' Continues Its Reign

NEW YORK—The opening "Crazy Rich weekend for Asians" was historic. Its second weekend was even more impressive.

The romantic comedy sensation slid just 6% from its chart-topping debut to again lead the box office with \$25 million in ticket sales, according to studio estimates on Sunday. Almost as many people turned out over the weekend for "Crazy Rich Asians" as they did for its opening Friday-to-Sunday bow-an unheard-of outcome for a nonholiday release. Drops of close to 50% are common for wide

But propelled by enthusiastic reviews and an eagerness for a major Hollywood film led by Asian stars, "Crazy Rich Asians" is showing almost unprecedented legs. After open-

ing on its first weekend with \$35.3 million from Wednesday to Sunday, and with \$26.5 million for the second weekend, the Warner Bros. release—the first Hollywood studio movie in 25 years with an all-Asian cast-has already grossed \$76.8 million.

The adaptation of Kevin Kwan's bestselling novel, starring Constance Wu and Henry Golding, was helped by weak competition. STX Entertainment's critically slammed Rrated puppet caper "The Happytime Murders" made its debut with \$10.1 million, a career-low wide release for star Melissa McCarthy. The robot-dog fantasy "A.X.L.," from the beleaguered Global Road Entertainment, flopped with \$2.9 million.

The talk of the weekend was the sustained success of "Crazy Rich Asians," which grossed approximately the same from one Saturday to the next.

Estimated Box-Office Figures, Through Sunday

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FILM	DISTRIBUTOR	WEEKEN	ID* CUMULATI	VE % CHANG
1. Crazy Rich Asi	ans Warner Bros.	\$25	\$76.8	-6
2. The Meg	Warner Bros.	\$13	\$105.3	-38
3. The Happytim Murders	e STX Entertainmer	\$10 nt	\$10	
4. Mission: Importune —Fallout	ssible Paramount	\$8	\$193.9	-26
5. Christopher Ro	obin Disney	\$6.3	\$77.6	-28
*Friday, Saturday and	Sunday Source: com	Score		

EpiPen Wait Spurs Worries

Patients feel effects of shortage more intensely amid peak back-to-school demand

By Joseph Walker

Parents are scrambling to find pharmacies carrying EpiPens for the new school year as regulators and the drug's manufacturer struggle to abate a continuing global shortage of the lifesaving de-

EpiPens, the emergency epinephrine treatment for allergic reactions, have been in short supply since at least May, when the U.S. Food and Drug Administration first declared a shortage. Some pharmacies around the country have been unable to restock the medication for weeks at a time because of the shortages.

A rival epinephrine injector product, a generic version of Adrenaclick made by Amneal **Pharmaceuticals** Inc., is also in short supply, according to the FDA. That product is manufactured at a different Pfizer plant in Kansas, where production delays have caused shortages since the first quarter of the year, an Amneal spokesman said.

The scarcity is being felt more acutely now amid the back-to-school rush of August and September when demand for the devices is highest. For parents of children with food allergies, refilling EpiPen prescriptions, which are typically for sets of two in case the first injection doesn't work, has become part of the annual backto-school ritual.

Julie Cook has been unable to fill EpiPen prescriptions for her two teenagers since the beginning of August and is relying on a single unexpired set if one of them has an allergic reaction. When she called a Walgreens near her Wheaton, Ill., home a few days ago, the pharmacist said they may not have more until September.

On the first day of school last week, Ms. Cook split the unexpired EpiPen set and gave one injector each to her chil-



Julie Cook, center, has been unable to fill EpiPen prescriptions for her children Maddie and Josiah.

dren. As a backup, she also gave each an old, expired injector from among the dozen or so she keeps just in case.

"It's so frustrating," Ms. Cook said. "Why is this happening in August? What's going on? And what's going to happen in the future?

EpiPens are sold by Mylan NV and manufactured at a Pfizer Inc.-owned plant in Brentwood, Mo. Pfizer has been unable to make enough EpiPens because it is changing its manufacturing processes in response to an FDA inspection last year that found several violations, including a failure to investigate serious complaints

about product quality.
Pfizer said, "We are working tirelessly to increase production and expedite shipments as rapidly as possible."

Mylan referred questions about manufacturing delays to Pfizer. In a statement earlier this month, the company encouraged patients to call its customer service hotline for assistance in locating pharmacies with EpiPens in stock.

Rajiv Malik, Mylan's president, said on an earnings call with analysts earlier this month that "Pfizer supplies to Mylan are inconsistent and inadequate in meeting global de-

There are months where supply from Pfizer is good, and "then suddenly we get very erratic," and supply is 30% to 40% off expectations "because of the quality issues," Mr. Malik said, according to a transcript.

To help alleviate the effects of the shortage, the FDA on Tuesday extended the expiration date for certain EpiPen lots for an additional four months. The devices typically have a shelf life of 20 months, the agency said. The FDA has also been in touch with manufacturers of rival products to help ensure alternatives are available, the agency said.

Kaleo, the closely held maker of the Auvi-Q epinephrine injectors, has significantly increased manufacturing capacity to help meet demand in the U.S. and Canada due to the EpiPen shortage, said Kaleo CEO Spencer Williamson. Some 40% of all epinephrine injectors are purchased during the back-to-school season, he

However, some patients have said they are reluctant to use Auvi-Q because it isn't covered under their insurance or because it has a different mechanism that they and their children aren't used to.

Patient access to EpiPens has been a controversial issue since the summer of 2016, when parents looking to buy the devices for their schoolage children complained they had to pay hundreds of dollars out of pocket to meet insurance deductibles. Congress began scrutinizing Mylan for raising the list price of EpiPen 548% over several years to about \$608 for a set of two. Mylan later began selling its own generic version of EpiPen

Earlier this month, the FDA approved the first generic EpiPen from a rival, which the agency said was part of an effort to inject more competition into the pharmaceutical industry and bring down prices. Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., which will market the generic version in the U.S., said the product would be launched in "coming months.'

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:15-cv-09188-VEC

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., Defendan

SUMMARY NOTICE OF (I) PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND PROPOSED SETTLEMENT; (II) FINAL APPROVAL HEARING; AND (III) MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES

AND (III) MOTION FOR ALTORNEYS FEED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EATENSES

All Persons or entities who are or were holders (directly or indirectly, registered or beneficially) of or otherwise claim any entitlement to any payment (whether a dividend, rights offering, interest on capital, sale of shares or other distribution) in connection with: (1) the securities listed in Appendix 1 to the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated June 12, 2018 ("Stipulation") and the Notice described below (including any predecessor or successor securities) from November 21, 2010 to July 18, 2018, inclusive; or (2) the securities listed in Appendix 2 to the Stipulation and the Notice described below (including any predecessor or successor securities)* from November 21, 2012 to July 18, 2018, inclusive (collectively, the "Settlement Class").

Certain Persons and entities are excluded from the definition of Settlement Class as set forth in detail in the Stipulation and the Notice described below.

QUESTIFICE OFFICE OF WAY.

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE SETTLEMENT CLASS, YOUR RIGHTS WILL BE AFFECTED BY A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT PENDING IN THIS COURT, AND YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO SHARE IN THE SETTLEMENT DESCRIBED BELOW.

SETTLEMENT DESCRIBED BELOW.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Order of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, that the above-captioned litigation ("Litigation") has been provisionally certified as a class action for the purposes of settlement only and that the parties to the Litigation have reached a proposed settlement for \$9,500,000 in cash ("Settlement"), that, if approved, will resolve all claims in the Litigation. A hearing will be held on January 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., before the Honorable Valerie E. Caproni at the Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse, 40 Foley Square, New York, NY 10007, to determine: (i) whether the proposed Settlement should be approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate; (ii) whether the Litigation should be dismissed with prejudice against JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("Defendant" or "JPM"), and the releases specified and described in the Stipulation (and in the Notice) should be granted; (iii) whether the proposed Plan of Allocation should be approved as fair and reasonable; and (iv) whether Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses should be approved.

approved.

IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE SETTLEMENT CLASS DESCRIBED ABOVE, YOUR RIGHTS WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE PENDING LITIGATION AND YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO SHARE IN THE SETTLEMENT FUND. A detailed Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement; (II) Final Approval Hearing; and (III) Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses ("Notice") and Proof of Claim and Release form "Claim Form") (or Validation Letter for those Settlement Class Members who hold (or held) their eligible securities directly and are listed on the records of JPM's transfer agent are currently being mailed to Settlement Class Members who hold (or held) their eligible securities directly and are listed on the process, for certain Settlement Class Members, to submit a Claim Form in order to be eligible to receive a payment from the Settlement, If you have not yet received and Claim Form (or Validation Letter), you may obtain copies of these documents by visiting www.JPMorganADRFXSettlement.com, or by contacting the Claims Administrator at:

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Inquiries, other than requests for the Notice and Claim Form, should be made to Court-appointed Lead Counsel: Sharan Nirmul, Esq. of Kessler Topa Meltzer & Check, LLP, 280 King of Prussia Road, Radnor, PA 19087; (610) 667-7706; info@ktmc.com.

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As explained in the Notice, if you hold (or held) your eligible securities directly and are listed on the records of JPM's transfer agent, you are a Registered Holder Settlement Class Member and do not have to take any action in order to participate in the Settlement and be eligible to receive a payment from the Settlement. Your losses (if any) will be calculated using the information provided by JPM's transfer agent. However, if you hold (or held) your eligible securities through a bank, broker or other nominee and are not listed on the records of JPM's transfer agent, you are a Non-Registered Holder Settlement Class Member and, in order for you to participate in the Settlement and be eligible to receive a payment from the Settlement, you must submit a Claim Form, postmarked no later than January 12, 2019. If you are a Non-Registered Holder Settlement, but you will nevertheless be bound by any judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Littigation.

If you are a member of the Settlement Class and wish to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you must submit a request for exclusion such that it is received no later than December 18, 2018, in accordance with the instructions set forth in the Notice. If you properly exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you will not be bound by any judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Litigation and you will not be eligible to share in the ne proceeds of the Settlement.

Any objections to the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses must be filed with the Court and delivered to Lead Counsel and Defendant's Counsel such that they are received no later than December 18, 2018, i accordance with the instructions set forth in the Notice.

Please do not contact the Court, the Clerk's office, JPM, or its counsel regarding this notice. All questions about this notice, the Settlement, open eligibility to participate in the Settlement should be directed to Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT United States District Court Southern District of New York

Southern District of New York

The securities listed in Appendix 1 to the Stipulation and Notice are: (1) Banco Santander SA; (2) Chunghwa Telecon Co., Ltd.; (3) CNOOC Ltd.; (4) ENEL
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in In re Automotive Parts Antitrust Litigation, Master File
No.12-md-02311, 2:12-cv-00201 (E.D. Mich.), with the
Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Defendants (collectively, the "Settling Defendants").

What is the lawsuit about? This class action is part of coordinated legal proceedings involving Instrument Panel Clusters purchased in the United States directly from a Defendant (as defined below). These proceedings do not relate to, and have no effect upon, cases involving any other product.

For purposes of the settlements, "Instrument Panel (also referred to as meters) means the mounted array of instruments and gauges housed in front of the driver of a motor vehicle.

You were previously notified of the existence of this class action, the nature of the Plaintiff's claims, and settlements with Defendants Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd., N.S. International Ltd., and New Sabina Industries, Inc. (collectively, "Nippon Seiki") in the amount of \$5.25 million, and with Defendants Yazaki Corporation and Yazaki North America, Inc. (collectively, "Yazaki") in the amount of \$2.5 million. Those settlements, in the total amount of \$7.75 million (the "Settlement Fund"), were previously approved by the Court in Orders dated December 4, 2014 and March 13, 2018, respectively.

Who is included? The Court previously certified a Direct Purchaser Nippon Seiki Settlement Class (the "Nippon Seiki Settlement Class") and a Direct Purchaser Yazaki Settlement Class (the "Yazaki Settlement Class").

The Nippon Seiki Settlement Class is defined as follows:

All persons or entities (but excluding Defendants their officers, directors and employees, as well as Defendants' parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries. and affiliates) who purchased Instrument Panel Clusters in the United States, its territories and possessions, directly from any Defendant, including Settling Defendants, or from any of their parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, or affiliates, during the period from January 2001 up to and including May 16, 2014.

For purposes of the Nippon Seiki Settlement Class definition, the following are Defendants: Yazaki Corporation, Yazaki North America Inc., Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd., N.S. International, Ltd., New Sabina Industries, Inc., Denso Corporation, and Denso International America, Inc.

The Yazaki Settlement Class is defined as follows: All direct purchasers of motor vehicle Instrument

Panel Clusters in the United States directly from any of the Defendants (or their controlled subsidiaries, affiliates or joint ventures) from January 1, 1998 through December 27, 2016. For purposes of the Yazaki Settlement Class definition, the

following are Defendants: Yazaki Corporation; Yazaki North America, Inc.; Continental Automotive Electronics LLC; Continental Automotive Korea Ltd.; Continental Automotive Systems, Inc.; Denso Corporation; Denso International America, Inc.; Nippon Seiki Co. Ltd.; N.S. International Ltd.; and New Sabina Industries, Inc.

A Notice of Hearing and Claim Form (the "Notice") was mailed to Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlements Class members on or about August 16, 2018. The Notice describes the proposed plan of distribution of the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki settlement proceeds and Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses and an

incentive payment to the Class Representative. If you did not receive the Notice, you may obtain a copy on the internet

RELATED TO SETTLEMENTS WITH THE NIPPON SEIKI AND YAZKI DEFENDANTS.

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Your rights may be affected. You were previously asked to decide whether you wanted to remain in the Nippon Seiki and Yazaki Settlement Classes. With respect to each of those Settlement Classes, you are bound by whatever decision you previously made.

If you remained a member of either of the Nippon Seiki or Yazaki Settlement Classes and you wish to share in the settlement proceeds attributable to that settlement, you must complete and timely return a Claim Form. Any Claim Form submitted electronically must be submitted on or before November 28, 2018. submitted via mail must be postmarked on or before November 28, 2018. Any Settlement Class member who does not complete and submit a valid and timely Claim Form will not be entitled to share in any of the Settlement Fund proceeds.

If you remained a member of either of the Settlement Classes, you have the right to object to the proposed plan of distribution of the Settlement Fund, and to Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses, and an incentive award to the Class Representative, by following the procedures set forth in the Notice. Your objection must be filed no later than October 5, 2018.

The Court has scheduled a hearing on November 8, 2018, to consider whether to approve the proposed plan of distribution of the Settlement Fund, and Settlement Class Counsel's requests for an award of attorneys' fees and litigation costs and expenses and an incentive award for the Class Representative. The hearing may be rescheduled without further notice to you.

If you believe you are a member of either the Nippon Seiki Settlement Class or the Yazaki Settlement Class. are urged to obtain a copy of the Notice, which explains

If you have questions regarding the settlements you may contact any one of the Settlement Class Counsel identified above. Do not contact the Clerk of the Court or the Judge. Dated: August 27, 2018

BY ORDER OF: Honorable Marianne O. Battani The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division