PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS IN CANADIAN AUTO PARTS PRICE-FIXING CLASS ACTIONS

WHO IS AFFECTED BY THIS NOTICE? AND WHAT IS THE NOTICE ABOUT?

This notice affects the following persons:

Persons Affected by the Proposed Settlements (see Part 2 of notice)

You are affected by proposed settlements reached in two class actions, if between 2004 and 2023, you or your company:

- 1. purchased and/or leased, a new or used automotive vehicle in Canada or for import into Canada; and/or
- 2. purchased in Canada, any of the automotive parts listed under Part 2 below.

Part 2 describes the proposed settlements and settlement class members' rights in relation to those settlements.

Persons Affected by the Proposed Amendments to the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol (see Part 3 of notice)

Part 3 lists proposed amendments to the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol. The Protocol applies to the following actions: Air Conditioning Systems, Anti-Vibration Rubber Parts, Autolights, Automotive Exhaust Systems, Braking Systems, Door Latches & Closure Systems, Ignition Coils, Instrument Panel Clusters, and Shock Absorbers.

2. SETTLEMENTS ACHIEVED

The following settlements have been achieved:

Class Action	Relevant Part	Relevant Period	Amount
Continental	Braking Systems	2007 to 2021	CDN\$568,067
Magna	Door Latches and Closure Systems	2004 to 2023	US\$100,000

The settlements are a compromise of disputed claims and are not an admission of liability, wrongdoing, or fault by any of the parties. The settlements are subject to the approval of the Ontario Court. The settlement approval hearing will take place virtually in Ontario on July 16, 2025 at 10:00. If approved, these settlements will resolve the automotive parts litigation in its entirety.

See the long-form notice online at www.siskinds.com/autoparts for more information. Copies of the settlements and (unofficial) French translations of the settlements are also available online.

3. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE THIRD OMNIBUS DISTRIBUTION PROTOCOL

The Ontario, Quebec and BC Courts approved the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol – which deals with the distribution of the aggregate settlement funds of approximately \$50 million in the Air Conditioning Systems, Anti-Vibration Rubber Parts, Autolights, Automotive Exhaust Systems, Braking Systems, Door Latches & Closure Systems, Ignition Coils, Instrument Panel Clusters, and Shock Absorbers actions, plus accrued interest, less Court approved legal fees and other expenses.

The claims process for the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol has not yet commenced.

The Ontario and Quebec Courts have ongoing jurisdiction of the implementation of the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol. At the approval hearings, Class Counsel will be seeking the following amendments to the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol. The hearings will take place virtually in Ontario on July 16, 2025 at 10:00 and Quebec on September 17, 2025 at 9:00.

First, as the Braking Systems and Door Latches & Closure Systems actions are now resolved (assuming the settlements are approved), those settlement funds will be distributed as part of the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol.

Second, to avoid fraud in the claims process and reduce the cost of the administration, End User claims (including consumer claims) must be substantiated by Automaker data and/or contemporaneous proof of purchase provided with the claim. It is expected that Automaker data will be available for most End User claims.

In accordance with Court orders, the Automakers provided customer information to the Claims Administrator to facilitate the claims process. No wrongdoing is alleged as against the Automakers and they were not involved in the auto parts class actions.

Third, a provision was added to the effect that Settlement Class Members cannot participate in the distribution where they were fully compensated by virtue of their claim value being minimal and their payments being increased by more than \$20 to the minimum administrative payment of \$25 in the Second Omnibus Distribution.

Fourth, the appeal process is amended to provide the Claims Administrator an opportunity to reconsider its claim decision.

For more information and to view a copy of the proposed amended Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol (and an unofficial French translation thereof), <u>visit www.siskinds.com/autoparts</u>.

4. YOUR OPTIONS

Settlement class members have the following options:

- 1. Tell the Court what you think about the proposed settlements or amendments to the Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol in writing or speak to the Court at the hearing. Written submissions must be submitted on or before July 11, 2025; or
- 2. Do nothing, which will allow you to be eligible to participate in the class actions. A further notice will be published when the claims process begins for the amended Third Omnibus Distribution Protocol.

5. CLASS COUNSEL

The law firms of Siskinds LLP, Sotos LLP, Camp Fiorante Matthews Mogerman LLP, and Siskinds Desmeules s.e.n.c.r.l., represent members of these class actions.

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