# PLEASE CAREFULLY REVIEW THIS OBJECTION AND THE ATTACHMENTS HERETO TO DETERMINE WHETHER THIS OBJECTION AFFECTS YOUR CLAIM(S)

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### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re : Chapter 11 Case No.

MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY, et al., : 09-50026 (REG)

f/k/a General Motors Corp., et al.

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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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## NOTICE OF DEBTORS' 167<sup>TH</sup> OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (Products Liability Claims Assumed by General Motors LLC)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on January 26, 2011, Motors Liquidation

Company (f/k/a General Motors Corporation) and its affiliated debtors, as debtors in possession (the "**Debtors**"), filed their 167th omnibus objection to expunge certain products liability claims (the "**167th Omnibus Objection to Claims**"), and that a hearing (the "**Hearing**") to consider the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims will be held before the Honorable Robert E. Gerber, United States Bankruptcy Judge, in Room 621 of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, One Bowling Green, New York, New York 10004, on **March 1, 2011 at** 

9:45 a.m. (Eastern Time), or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

PARTIES RECEIVING THIS NOTICE SHOULD REVIEW THE 167th OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS TO SEE IF THEIR NAME(S) AND/OR CLAIM(S) ARE LOCATED IN THE OMNIBUS OBJECTION AND/OR IN EXHIBIT "A" ANNEXED THERETO.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any responses to the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims must be in writing, shall conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Rules of the Bankruptcy Court, and shall be filed with the Bankruptcy Court (a) electronically in accordance with General Order M-399 (which can be found at www.nysb.uscourts.gov) by registered users of the Bankruptcy Court's filing system, and (b) by all other parties in interest, on a CD-ROM or 3.5 inch disk, in text-searchable portable document format (PDF) (with a hard copy delivered directly to Chambers), in accordance with the customary practices of the Bankruptcy Court and General Order M-399, to the extent applicable, and served in accordance with General Order M-399 and on (i) Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, attorneys for the Debtors, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10153 (Attn: Harvey R. Miller, Esq., Stephen Karotkin, Esq., and Joseph H. Smolinsky, Esq.); (ii) the Debtors, c/o Motors Liquidation Company, 401 South Old Woodward Avenue, Suite 370, Birmingham, Michigan 48009 (Attn: Thomas Morrow); (iii) General Motors LLC, 400 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan 48265 (Attn: Lawrence S. Buonomo, Esq.); (iv) Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, attorneys for the United States Department of the Treasury, One World Financial Center, New York, New York 10281 (Attn: John J. Rapisardi, Esq.); (v) the United States Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 2312, Washington, D.C. 20220 (Attn: Joseph Samarias, Esq.); (vi) Vedder Price, P.C., attorneys for Export Development Canada, 1633 Broadway, 47th Floor, New York, New York 10019 (Attn: Michael J. Edelman, Esq. and Michael L. Schein, Esq.); (vii) Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP, attorneys for the

statutory committee of unsecured creditors, 1177 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036 (Attn: Thomas Moers Mayer, Esq., Robert Schmidt, Esq., Lauren Macksoud, Esq., and Jennifer Sharret, Esq.); (viii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, 33 Whitehall Street, 21st Floor, New York, New York 10004 (Attn: Tracy Hope Davis, Esq.); (ix) the U.S. Attorney's Office, S.D.N.Y., 86 Chambers Street, Third Floor, New York, New York 10007 (Attn: David S. Jones, Esq. and Natalie Kuehler, Esq.); (x) Caplin & Drysdale, Chartered, attorneys for the official committee of unsecured creditors holding asbestos-related claims, 375 Park Avenue, 35th Floor, New York, New York 10152-3500 (Attn: Elihu Inselbuch, Esq. and Rita C. Tobin, Esq.) and One Thomas Circle, N.W., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005 (Attn: Trevor W. Swett III, Esq. and Kevin C. Maclay, Esq.); and (xi) Stutzman, Bromberg, Esserman & Plifka, A Professional Corporation, attorneys for Dean M. Trafelet in his capacity as the legal representative for future asbestos personal injury claimants, 2323 Bryan Street, Suite 2200, Dallas, Texas 75201 (Attn: Sander L. Esserman, Esq. and Robert T. Brousseau, Esq.), so as to be received no later than February 22, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) (the "Response Deadline").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if no responses are timely filed and

served with respect to the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims or any claim set forth thereon, the

Debtors may, on or after the Response Deadline, submit to the Bankruptcy Court an order

substantially in the form of the proposed order annexed to the 167th Omnibus Objection to

Claims, which order may be entered with no further notice or opportunity to be heard offered to

any party.

Dated: New York, New York

January 26, 2011

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### HEARING DATE AND TIME: March 1, 2011 at 9:45 a.m. (Eastern Time) RESPONSE DEADLINE: February 22, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)

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#### <u>DEBTORS' 167<sup>TH</sup> OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS</u> (Products Liability Claims Assumed by General Motors LLC)

THIS OBJECTION SEEKS TO DISALLOW AND EXPUNGE CERTAIN FILED PROOFS OF CLAIM.

CLAIMANTS RECEIVING THIS OBJECTION SHOULD LOCATE THEIR NAMES AND CLAIMS ON THE

EXHIBIT ANNEXED TO THIS OBJECTION.

### TO THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. GERBER, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Motors Liquidation Company (f/k/a General Motors Corporation) ("**MLC**") and its affiliated debtors, as debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**"), respectfully represent:

#### **Relief Requested**

- 1. The Debtors file this 167th omnibus objection to expunge certain claims (the "167th Omnibus Objection to Claims") pursuant to section 502(b) of title 11, United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 3007(d) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and this Court's order approving procedures for the filing of omnibus objections to proofs of claim filed in these chapter 11 cases (the "Procedures Order") (ECF No. 4180), seeking entry of an order disallowing and expunging the claims listed on Exhibit "A" annexed hereto. <sup>1</sup>
- hereto and have determined that the proofs of claim listed under the heading "Claims to be

  Disallowed and Expunged" (collectively, the "Assumed Products Liability Claims") are claims
  relating to products liability claims (the "Products Liability Claims") assumed by General

  Motors LLC ("New GM") pursuant to the terms of that certain Amended and Restated Master
  Sale and Purchase Agreement (the "Master Purchase Agreement"), dated as of June 26, 2009,
  by and among General Motors Corporation, Saturn LLC, Saturn Distribution Corporation,
  Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., and New GM. As described further below, because the
  Products Liability Claims all relate to tort actions in which a car accident took place on or after
  July 10, 2009 (the "Closing Date"), the Products Liability Claims have been assumed by New
  GM pursuant to the express terms of the Master Purchase Agreement and, therefore, are not
  liabilities of MLC or the other Debtors and should therefore be disallowed and expunged.

Creditors can obtain copies of the cover page of any proof of claim filed against the Debtors' bankruptcy estates

on the Debtors' claims register on the website maintained by the Debtors' claims agent, <a href="https://www.motorsliquidation.com">www.motorsliquidation.com</a>. A link to the claims register is located under the "Claims Information" tab. Creditors without access to the Internet may request a copy of the cover page of any proof of claim by mail to The Garden City Group, Inc., Motors Liquidation Company Claims Agent, P.O. Box 9386, Dublin, Ohio 43017-4286 or by calling The Garden City Group, Inc. at 1-703-286-6401.

#### Jurisdiction

3. This Court has jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b).

#### **Background**

- 4. On June 1, 2009, four of the Debtors (the "Initial Debtors")<sup>2</sup> commenced with this Court voluntary cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, and on October 9, 2009, two additional Debtors (the "REALM/ENCORE Debtors")<sup>3</sup> commenced with this Court voluntary cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, which cases are jointly administered with those of the Initial Debtors under Case Number 09-50026 (REG). On September 15, 2009, the Initial Debtors filed their schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs, which were amended on October 4, 2009. On October 15, 2009, the REALM/ENCORE Debtors filed their schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs.
- 5. On September 16, 2009, this Court entered an order (ECF No. 4079) establishing November 30, 2009 as the deadline for each person or entity to file a proof of claim in the Initial Debtors' cases, including governmental units. On December 2, 2009, this Court entered an order (ECF No. 4586) establishing February 1, 2010 as the deadline for each person or entity to file a proof of claim in the REALM/ENCORE Debtors' cases (except governmental units, as defined in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code, for which the Court established June 1, 2010 as the deadline to file proofs of claim).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Initial Debtors are MLC (f/k/a General Motors Corporation), MLCS, LLC (f/k/a Saturn, LLC), MLCS Distribution Corporation (f/k/a Saturn Distribution Corporation), and MLC of Harlem, Inc. (f/k/a Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The REALM/ENCORE Debtors are Remediation and Liability Management Company, Inc., and Environmental Corporate Remediation Company, Inc.

6. Furthermore, on October 6, 2009, this Court entered the Procedures Order, which authorizes the Initial Debtors, among other things, to file omnibus objections to no more than 100 claims at a time, under various grounds, including those set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 3007(d) and those additional grounds set forth in the Procedures Order.

#### The Relief Requested Should Be Approved by the Court

- 7. A filed proof of claim is "deemed allowed, unless a party in interest . . . objects." 11 U.S.C. § 502(a). If an objection refuting at least one of the claim's essential allegations is asserted, the claimant has the burden to demonstrate the validity of the claim. *See In re Oneida, Ltd.*, 400 B.R. 384, 389 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2009), *aff'd*, No. 09 Civ. 2229 (DC), 2010 WL 234827 (S.D.N.Y. Jan. 22, 2010); *In re Adelphia Commc'ns Corp.*, Ch. 11 Case No. 02-41729 (REG), 2007 Bankr. LEXIS 660, at \*15 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 20, 2007); *In re Rockefeller Ctr. Props.*, 272 B.R. 524, 539 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2000).
- 8. Section 502(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code provides, in relevant part, that a claim may not be allowed to the extent that "such claim is unenforceable against the debtor and property of the debtor, under any agreement or applicable law." 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(1). To avoid the possibility of multiple recoveries by the same creditor, the Debtors request that the Court disallow and expunge in their entirety the Assumed Products Liability Claims.
- 9. Section 2.3(a)(ix) of the Master Purchase Agreement sets forth the extent to which Products Liability Claims were assumed by New GM. In particular, New GM assumed:
  - (ix) all Liabilities to third parties for death, personal injury, or other injury to [p]ersons or damage to property caused by motor vehicles designed for operation on public roadways or by the component parts of such motor vehicles and, in each case, manufactured, sold or delivered by [s]ellers [(i.e, the Debtors)]... which arise directly out of death, personal injury or other injury to [p]ersons or damage to property caused by accidents or incidents

first occurring on or after the Closing Date and arising from such motor vehicles' operation or performance . . .

Master Purchase Agreement § 2.3(a)(ix). The term "Liabilities" is defined in the recitals to the Master Purchase Agreement as follows:

"<u>Liabilities</u>" means any and all liabilities and obligations of every kind and description whatsoever, whether such liabilities or obligations are known or unknown, disclosed or undisclosed, matured or unmatured, accrued, fixed, absolute, contingent, determined or undeterminable, on or off-balance sheet or otherwise, or due or to become due, including Indebtedness and those arising under any Law, Claim, Order, Contract or otherwise.

determined that they all relate to tort actions where a car accident took place on or after July 10, 2009 (i.e., the Closing Date) and thus have been assumed by New GM pursuant to section 2.3(a)(ix) of the Master Purchase Agreement. *See In re Motors Liquidation Co.*, Ch. 11 Case No. 09-50026 (REG), 2011 Bankr. LEXIS 11, at \*4 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Jan. 5, 2011) (explaining that "claims arising from 'accidents or incidents' occurring on or after July 10, 2009" were assumed by New GM pursuant to section 2.3(a)(ix) of the Master Purchase Agreement). Accordingly, the Debtors seek entry of an order disallowing and expunging from the claims register the Assumed Products Liability Claims.

#### **Notice**

- 11. Notice of this 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims has been provided to each claimant listed on Exhibit "A" and parties in interest in accordance with the Fifth Amended Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 105(a) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1015(c) and 9007 Establishing Notice and Case Management Procedures, dated January 3, 2011 (ECF No. 8360).
- 12. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made by the Debtors to this or any other Court.

#### WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request entry of an order granting the

relief requested herein and such other and further relief as is just.

Dated: New York, New York January 26, 2011

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#### CLAIMS TO BE DISALLOWED AND EXPUNGED

Name and Address of Claimant	Claim #	Debtor	Claim Amount a Priority (1)	nd	Grounds For Objection	Objection Page Reference
AL-NAWASREH, ABDER-RAOUF (AND OTHERS) C/O JAMES L GILBERT GILBERT, OLLANIK & KOMYATTE PC 5400 WARD ROAD, BLDG IV, STE 200 ARVADA, CO 80002	67829	Motors Liquidation Company	\$0.00 (S	S)	No Liability; Claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not liable	Pgs. 1-5
			\$0.00 (A	A)		
			\$0.00 (F	P)		
			\$20,000,000.00 (U	J)		
			\$20,000,000.00 (T	Γ)		
DONNA DAGOSTINO	70533	Motors	\$3,600.00 (S	S)	No Liability;	Pgs. 1-5
31 POWDER HORN RD.  CORTLANDT MANOR, NY 10567 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	70000	Liquidation Company	\$0.00 (A	A)	Claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not	
			\$0.00 (F			
			\$0.00 (U	Ŋ	liable	
			\$3,600.00 (T	Γ)		
ESTATE OF FREDDIE BANKS	43430	Motors Liquidation Company	\$0.00 (\$	S)	No Liability; Claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not liable	Pgs. 1-5
RITA BANKS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE C/O JERRY W LAUGHLIN			\$0.00 (A	A)		
100 SOUTH MAIN ST GREENEVILLE, TN 37743			\$0.00 (F	P)		
			\$2,000,000.00 (U	J)	паос	
			\$2,000,000.00 (1	Γ)		
FLORES, MARY	65495	Motors			No Liability; Claims seek	Pgs. 1-5
408 SANDY RIDGE DR		Liquidation Company			recovery of	
LEAGUE CITY, TX 77573					amounts for which the Debtors are not liable	
			Unliquidated			
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GLATFELTERS CLAIMS MANAGEMENT, INC PO BOX 5126 ATTENTION: CLAIM NJTR209091023 YORK, PA 17405 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	63237	Motors Liquidation Company	\$0.00 (\$		No Liability; Claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not liable	Pgs. 1-5
			\$0.00 (A			
			\$0.00 (F			
			\$17,125.54 (U	J)		
			\$17,125.54 (T	Γ)		

<sup>(1)</sup> In the "Claim Amount and Priority" column, (S) = secured claim, (A) = administrative expense claim, (P) = priority claim, (U) = unsecured claim and (T) = total claim. The amounts listed are taken directly from the proofs of claim, and thus replicate any mathematical errors on the proofs of claim. Where the claim amount is zero, unliquidated, unidentified, or otherwise cannot be determined, the amount listed is "0.00".

<sup>(2)</sup> Claims on the exhibit are sorted in alphabetical order based on the creditor name as listed on proof of claim form.

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Li	Motors iquidation Company			No Liability; Claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not liable	Pgs. 1-5
	Company			amounts for which the Debtors are not	
		Unliquidate	ed		
	Motors Liquidation Company	\$0.00	(S)	No Liability; Claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not liable	Pgs. 1-5
		\$0.00	(A)		
		\$0.00	(P)		
		\$5,000,000.00	(U)		
		\$5,000,000.00	(T)		
	Matars	\$0.00	(S)	No Liability	Pgs. 1-5
Li	Liquidation Company			Claims seek recovery of amounts for which the Debtors are not liable	1910
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		\$5,000,000.00	(U)		
		\$5,000,000.00	(T)		
	L	Liquidation	\$5,000,000.00 \$5,000,000.00 Motors \$0.00 Liquidation Company \$0.00 \$0.00 \$5,000,000.00	\$5,000,000.00 (U) \$5,000,000.00 (T) Motors \$0.00 (S) Liquidation	S5,000,000.00 (U)   S5,000,000.00 (T)   S5,000,000.00 (T)     Motors

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\$3,600.00 (S)

**\$0.00** (A)

**\$0.00** (P)

\$32,017,125.54 (U)

\$32,020,725.54 (T)

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# ORDER GRANTING DEBTORS' 167<sup>TH</sup> OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (Products Liability Claims Assumed by General Motors LLC)

Upon the 167th omnibus objection to expunge certain claims, dated January 26, 2011 (the "167th Omnibus Objection to Claims"), 1 of Motors Liquidation Company (f/k/a General Motors Corporation) and its affiliated debtors, as debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), pursuant to section 502(b) of title 11, United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 3007(d) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and this Court's order approving procedures for the filing of omnibus objections to proofs of claim filed in these chapter 11 cases (the "Procedures Order") (ECF No. 4180), seeking entry of an order disallowing and expunging the Assumed Products Liability Claims on the ground that each Assumed Products Liability Claim is for an obligation for which the Debtors have no liability, all as more fully described in the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims; and due and proper notice of the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims having been provided, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims is in the best interests of the Debtors,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims.

their estates, creditors, and all parties in interest and that the legal and factual bases set forth in

the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and

after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is

ORDERED that the relief requested in the 167th Omnibus Objection to Claims is

granted to the extent provided herein; and it is further

ORDERED that, pursuant to section 502(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, the claims

listed on Exhibit "A" annexed hereto under the heading "Claims to be Disallowed and

Expunged" are disallowed and expunged; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order has no res judicata, estoppel, or other effect on the

validity, allowance, or disallowance of, and all rights to object on any basis are expressly

reserved with respect to, any claim listed on Exhibit "A" annexed to the 167th Omnibus

Objection to Claims under the heading "Claims to be Disallowed and Expunged" that is not

disallowed or expunged; and it is further

ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all

matters arising from or related to this Order.

Dated: New York, New York

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United States Bankruptcy Judge

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