

**NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION / AUTHORIZATION AND SETTLEMENT APPROVAL
HEARINGS IN THE MATTER OF THE ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITORS CLASS ACTIONS**

TO: All persons in Canada who purchased electrolytic capacitors or a product containing an electrolytic capacitor between September 1, 1997 and December 31, 2014 (the “Settlement Class Members”).

If you bought an electronic device containing a circuit board between September 1, 1997 and December 31, 2014 (“Class Period”), such as a television, gaming console, home appliance, smartphone, or other electronic product, you may be a Settlement Class Member.

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY AS IT MAY AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS.

I. WHAT IS A CLASS ACTION?

A class action is a lawsuit filed by one person on behalf of a large group of people that has been “certified” or “authorized” by a Canadian court and determines “common issues” for the group of people, known as the “class”.

II. WHAT IS AN ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITOR AND WHAT ARE THESE CLASS ACTIONS ABOUT?

An “electrolytic capacitor” is an electronic component used in an electrical circuit in order to store a charge. Electrolytic capacitors are found in electronics like smartphones and televisions, among other products.

In 2014, class proceedings were initiated in Ontario by Harrison Pensa ^{LLP}, in British Columbia by Camp Fiorante Matthews Mogerman ^{LLP} and in Québec by Belleau Lapointe, s.e.n.c.r.l. (collectively “Class Counsel”) on behalf of Canadians who purchased an electrolytic capacitor or products containing an electrolytic capacitor during the Class Period (the “Class Actions”). These Class Actions claim that the companies that sell electrolytic capacitors were involved in a conspiracy to illegally increase the prices of these products. The Class Actions ask the courts to order the defendants to return any extra money that they have received due to this alleged conspiracy.

While the Class Actions were started in Ontario, British Columbia and Québec, the cases include Canadian residents in all provinces and territories who purchased an electrolytic capacitor or a product containing an electrolytic capacitor during the Class Period.

III. WHAT IS A SETTLEMENT AND WHAT SETTLEMENTS HAVE BEEN REACHED IN THESE CLASS ACTIONS?

A settlement is when a defendant agrees to pay money to the members of the class action in exchange for having the case against it dismissed.

In the Class Actions, a settlement has been reached with NEC TOKIN Corporation and NEC TOKIN America Inc. (collectively “TOKIN”).

The TOKIN defendants are the first to enter into a settlement in the Class Actions. The Class Actions will continue against over 30 other named defendants. During the Class Period, TOKIN had a small share of the global electrolytic capacitors market in the range of 3-6%.

TOKIN has agreed to pay CAD \$2,900,000 (the “Settlement Amount”) for the benefit of Settlement Class Members. TOKIN has also agreed to provide meaningful early co-operation to the plaintiffs in pursuing their claims against the other defendants. In exchange, TOKIN will be provided with a full release of the claims against them and the Class Actions against them will be dismissed.

The settlement, which was negotiated over more than a year, is not an admission by TOKIN of liability, fault, or wrongdoing, but is a compromise of disputed claims. The plaintiffs sought and were granted certification / authorization of the Class Actions in Ontario, British Columbia and Québec for settlement purposes only.

The settlement is subject to court approval. There will be settlement approval hearings in Ontario, British Columbia and Québec. These hearings will be held on November 5, 2018 at 10 am, at 80 Dundas Street, London, Ontario, on December 3, 2018 at 9:30am, at 1, rue Notre-Dame Est, Montréal, Québec, and on a date and time to be determined by the court [which will be posted at elec.capacitorclassaction.ca, once determined] at 800 Smithe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia. The courts will decide whether the settlement is fair, reasonable, and in the best interests of Settlement Class Members.

IV. WHEN WILL THE SETTLEMENT AMOUNTS BE DISTRIBUTED?

The Settlement Amount, minus approved Class Counsel fees, disbursements and applicable taxes, will be held in an interest bearing trust account for the benefit of the Settlement Class Members (the “Settlement Funds”).

The Settlement Funds will not be distributed to Settlement Class Members at this time. The Class Actions may or may not result in further settlements or judgments. If there is further recovery, it will be added to the Settlement Funds.

At a later date yet to be determined, the courts will decide how the Settlement Funds will be distributed and how you can apply to receive a share of the Settlement Funds. Watch for another notice explaining how to claim money from the settlement.

V. WHAT DO I NEED TO DO AT THIS TIME?

If you do not oppose the proposed settlement and you wish to continue to be included in the Class Actions, you do not need to appear at the hearings or take any other action at this time to indicate your desire to participate in the settlement and the Class Actions.

If you want to tell the courts what you think about the proposed settlement or speak to the courts at the hearings mentioned above, you must send your written submissions to Class Counsel. Contact information for Class Counsel can be found below. Class Counsel will file all such submission with the appropriate Court.

VI. WHAT IF I DON'T WANT TO BE IN THE CLASS ACTIONS?

If you do not want to be a member of these Class Actions, you must opt out by **October 24, 2018 at the latest**.

QUESTIONS ? IN QUÉBEC CALL 1-888-987-6701 (TOLL FREE), IN BRITISH COLUMBIA CALL 1-800-689-2322 (TOLL FREE), ANYWHERE ELSE IN CANADA CALL 1-800-263-0489, EXT. 608 (TOLL FREE) OR VISIT ELEC.CAPACITORCLASSACTION.CA.

You can opt-out by visiting elec.capacitorclassaction.ca or contact: RicePoint Administration Inc. (capacitor@ricepoint.com or 1-877-336-5240), or you can send a signed written election to Class Counsel, by pre-paid mail, courier, fax or e-mail at the addresses listed below. All opt-outs must contain the following information:

- your full name, current address and telephone number;
- if you are writing on behalf of a company, the name of the company and your position at the company;
- a statement saying that you (or the company) want to opt-out of the Class Actions;

Your opt-out request must be received **no later than October 24, 2018**.

If you exclude yourself or opt-out:

- you will not be eligible to participate in the Class Actions;
- you will not receive any money from the Class Actions, but
- you will be able to start or continue your own case against the defendants regarding the claims at issue in the Class Actions.

If you do nothing, and so do not exclude yourself or opt-out:

- you will be eligible to participate in the Class Actions, and
- you may receive money from the Class Actions, but
- you will not be able to start or continue your own case against the defendants regarding the claims at issue in the Class Actions.

This is your only chance to exclude yourself or opt-out of the Class Actions. If you have any questions about the settlement agreement or the opt-out process, you are encouraged to contact Class Counsel using the information described below.

VII. WHAT DO I HAVE TO PAY?

You do not have to pay the lawyers working on these Class Actions any money. Class Counsel will be paid from the money collected in these Class Actions. The courts will be asked to decide how much Class Counsel will be paid. Class Counsel will collectively be asking at the settlement approval hearings that the courts approve legal fees of 25% of the Settlement Funds, plus disbursements and applicable taxes. Any approved Class Counsel fees will be paid out of the Settlement Funds.

If you wish to comment on or make an objection to Class Counsel fees, a written submission must be delivered to the appropriate Class Counsel at the addresses listed below **by October 24, 2018 at the latest**. Class Counsel will forward all such submissions to the appropriate court. If you do not file a written submission by the deadline, you may not be entitled to participate in the hearing, and your submission may not be brought to the attention of the courts.

VIII. WHAT IF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IS NOT APPROVED?

The certification/authorization order and the associated opt-out process are only valid if the settlement is approved. If the settlement is not approved or if it otherwise fails to take effect, the certification/authorization order will not stand and any opt-out notice submitted by any person will be set aside, and the litigation will continue against TOKIN. If a certification/authorization order is granted by the court in the future, an opt out process will take place at that time.

IX. WHO ARE THE LAWYERS WORKING ON THESE CLASS ACTIONS?

- Harrison Pensa ^{LLP} represents Settlement Class Members in Ontario and in all provinces other than British Columbia and Québec. Harrison Pensa ^{LLP} can be reached:

Toll free at 1-800-263-0489 ext. 608, by fax at 1-519-667-3362, by e-mail at hpclassactions@harrisonpensa.com or by mail at 450 Talbot Street, London, Ontario N6A 4K3, Attention: Jonathan Foreman.

- Camp Fiorante Matthews Mogerma ^{LLP} represents Settlement Class Members in British Columbia. Camp Fiorante Matthews Mogerma ^{LLP} can be reached:

Toll free at 1-800-689-2322, by fax at 1-604-689-7554, by e-mail at capacitors@cfmlawyers.ca or by mail at Suite 400, 856 Homer Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6B 2W5, Attention: David G.A. Jones.

- Belleau Lapointe s.e.n.c.r.l. represents Settlement Class Members in Québec. Belleau Lapointe s.e.n.c.r.l. can be reached:

Toll free at 1-888-987-6701, by fax at 1-514-987-6886, by e-mail at info@belleaulapointe.com or by mail at 306, Place d'Youville, suite B-10, Montréal, Québec H2Y 2B6, Attention: Jérémie Longpré.

X. WHERE CAN I ASK MORE QUESTIONS?

This notice contains only a summary of the settlement and Settlement Class Members are encouraged to review the complete settlement agreement. A copy of the settlement agreement can be downloaded from the settlement website at elec.capacitorclassaction.ca. If you would like a copy of the settlement agreement or have questions that are not answered online, please contact the appropriate Class Counsel identified above. **INQUIRIES SHOULD NOT BE DIRECTED TO THE COURTS.**

XI. INTERPRETATION

This notice contains a summary of some of the terms of the TOKIN settlement agreement. If there is a conflict between the provisions of this notice and the settlement agreement, the terms of the settlement agreement shall prevail.