

“Bulk Extruded Graphite Products” are defined as: Those extruded graphite products sold as both non-machined and semi-machined products. “Bulk Extruded Graphite Products” do not include fully machined extruded graphite products, nor do they include isomolded (isostatic) or molded graphite products. “Bulk Extruded Graphite” means (i) a medium-grained product with good mechanical, electrical and thermal properties with a preferential grain orientation and low ash content, (ii) which is produced through extrusion (as opposed to through uniform (isostatic) pressure molding or unidirectional pressure molding), and (iii) has lower resistance and higher thermal conductivity than isomolded products.

As discussed in Section IV, below, Plaintiffs and settlement classes have settled their claims against GTI, Robert P. Krass and Robert J. Hart. The lawsuit is continuing only against SGL Carbon, LLC, SGL Carbon AG, SGL Carbon GmbH and Robert J. Koehler (collectively the “Remaining Defendants”).

At this time neither Plaintiffs nor Defendants have proven their assertions. Defendants deny the allegations of the Complaint. The Court expresses no opinion as to whether the Plaintiffs’ allegations are correct or whether Defendants have engaged in any wrongdoing. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of the Class certification and your options.

III. EARLIER SETTLEMENTS WITH GTI, KRASS AND HART

You have been previously notified of settlements entered into on behalf of settlement classes and defendants GTI, Robert P. Krass and Robert J. Hart. The Court has approved a settlement with GTI. Under the terms of the GTI Settlement, GTI has paid \$450,000 to settle its claims and cooperated with the Plaintiffs. Those settlement funds will be distributed at a later time and you will receive a notice at that time about the procedure for submitting a claim form. The Court has also approved settlements with Robert P. Krass and Robert J. Hart. Messrs. Krass and Hart agreed to cooperate with Plaintiffs in connection with the prosecution of the claims against the Remaining Defendants.

IV. CONSEQUENCES OF CLASS MEMBERSHIP

If you are a member of the Class as defined above, you will automatically remain a Class member unless you elect to be excluded from the Class. If you wish to remain in the Class, you do not need to take any action at this time and your interests will be represented by Plaintiffs and by Plaintiffs’ Counsel. You will have no responsibility to pay Plaintiffs’ attorneys’ fees and expenses. Any such fees and expenses will be paid only from amounts obtained (if any) from the Defendants whether in settlement or a judgment, and must be approved by the Court after notice to you and a hearing. If you choose, you may also have your own attorney enter an appearance on your behalf and at your expense.

If you remain in the Class, you will be bound by the judgment whether or not favorable to the Class and will be eligible to share in any money obtained from the Remaining Defendants whether by way of settlement or judgment and will be bound by the terms of any future settlements as approved by the Court. (Do not dispose of any document that reflects your purchases of Bulk Extruded Graphite Products in the United States directly from any Defendant during the period January 1, 1993 to December 31, 1998. You may need those documents to complete a claim form if a settlement is obtained or if damages are otherwise recovered.)

If you wish to exclude yourself from the Class, you must send a request for exclusion, in writing, via certified mail, return receipt requested, postmarked no later than September 21, 2006, to the following address:

Extruded Graphite Products Antitrust Litigation
P.O. Box 58430
Philadelphia, PA 19102-8430

Your request for exclusion must contain the full name of the purchaser, including any predecessor entities, and your address. If you exclude yourself from the Class, you will not be bound by any judgment and will retain the right to individually pursue any claims you may have against the Remaining Defendants and Robert J. Koehler. If you elect to be excluded from the Class, you will not be eligible to share any money obtained by settlement or judgment from the Remaining Defendants.

V. CO-LEAD COUNSEL FOR THE CLASS

The Court has appointed the following Co-Lead Counsel for the Class:

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VI. CHANGE OF ADDRESS, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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 the above-referenced Post Office Box.

All references in the Notice to the pleadings and Court Orders are only summaries. The documents filed in this action are available for review during normal business hours at the offices of the Clerk of Court, U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, Martin Luther King, Jr., Federal Building and the United States Courthouse, Courtroom 4015, 50 Walnut Street, Newark, New Jersey 07101. This Notice is also available at the following Internet address: www.hrsclaimsadministration.com. If you have questions concerning this Notice or the litigation, you may contact Co-Lead Counsel for the Class. **Please do not contact the Clerk of the Court or the Judge.**

Dated: July 28, 2006

BY ORDER OF:
The Clerk of the United States
District Court for the District of New Jersey

Claims Administrator
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