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

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In re: Ignition Coils

THIS RELATES TO:

**End-Payor Actions** 

Master File No. 12-md-02311

Hon. Marianne O. Battani

2:13-cv-01403-MOB-MKM

# **SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

This Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this 8th day of June 2017 ("Execution Date") by and between Diamond Electric Mfg. Co., Ltd. and Diamond Electric Mfg. Corporation (together, "Diamond Electric"), and End-Payor Plaintiff Class Representatives ("End-Payor Plaintiffs"), both individually and on behalf of a class of indirect purchasers of Ignition Coils (the "Settlement Class"), as more particularly defined in Paragraph 13 below.

WHEREAS, End-Payor Plaintiffs are prosecuting the above *In Re Automotive Parts Antitrust Litigation*, Master File No. 12-md-02311 (E.D. Mich.) (the "MDL Litigation") and Case No. 2:13-cv-01403 (the "Action") on their own behalf and on behalf of the Settlement Class;

WHEREAS, End-Payor Plaintiffs allege that they were injured as a result of Diamond Electric's participation in an unlawful conspiracy to raise, fix, maintain, and/or stabilize prices, rig bids, and allocate markets and customers for Ignition Coils (as defined in Paragraph

6 below) in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act and various state antitrust, unfair competition, unjust enrichment, and consumer protection laws as set forth in End-Payor Plaintiffs' Second Consolidated Amended Class Action Complaint in the Ignition Coils Action (the "Complaint");

WHEREAS, Diamond Electric denies End-Payor Plaintiffs' allegations and has asserted defenses to End-Payor Plaintiffs' claims in the Action;

WHEREAS, arm's-length settlement negotiations have taken place between Settlement Class Counsel (as defined below) and counsel for Diamond Electric and this Agreement has been reached as a result of those negotiations;

WHEREAS, End-Payor Plaintiffs, through Settlement Class Counsel, have conducted an investigation into the facts and the law regarding the Action and have concluded that resolving the claims against Diamond Electric, according to the terms set forth below, is in the best interests of End-Payor Plaintiffs and the Settlement Class because of the payment of the Settlement Amount and the value of the Injunctive Relief and Cooperation (as those terms are defined below) that Diamond Electric has agreed to provide pursuant to this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Action will continue against Defendants (as defined below) that are not Releasees (as defined below);

WHEREAS, Diamond Electric, despite its belief that it is not liable for the claims asserted and its belief that it has good defenses thereto, has nevertheless agreed to enter into this Agreement to avoid further expense, inconvenience, and the distraction of burdensome and protracted litigation, and to obtain the releases, orders, and judgment contemplated by this Agreement, and to put to rest with finality all claims that have been or could have been

asserted against Diamond Electric with respect to Ignition Coils based on the allegations in the Action, as more particularly set out below; and

WHEREAS, Diamond Electric provided information to show significant financial conditions on its ability to pay settlement consideration. These financial conditions and the fact that Diamond Electric remains under financial pressure were a material part of End-Payor Plaintiffs' analysis and conclusion regarding an appropriate settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants, agreements, and releases set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, it is agreed by and among the undersigned that the Action be settled, compromised, and dismissed on the merits with prejudice as to the Releasees and except as hereinafter provided, without costs as to End-Payor Plaintiffs, the Settlement Class, or Diamond Electric, subject to the approval of the Court, on the following terms and conditions:

#### Definitions.

- "Cooperation" shall refer to those provisions set forth below in Paragraphs 34-47.
- "Cooperation Materials" means any information, testimony, Documents (as defined below) or other material provided by Diamond Electric under the terms of this Agreement.
- 3. "Defendant" means any party named as a defendant in the Action at any time up to and including the date when the Court has entered a final order certifying the Settlement Class described in Paragraph 13 and approving this Agreement under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 23(e).
- 4. "Document" is defined to be synonymous in meaning and equal in scope to the usage of this term in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 34(a), including without limitation,

electronically stored information. A draft or non-identical copy is a separate Document within the meaning of this term.

- 5. "End-Payor Plaintiff Class Representatives" means those Settlement Class Members, as defined in Paragraph 15, below, who are named plaintiffs in the Complaint.
  - 6. "Ignition Coils" shall have the meaning set forth in Paragraph 2 of the Complaint.
- 7. "Indirect Purchaser States" means Arizona, Arkansas, California, District of Columbia, Florida, Hawaii, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.
- 8. "Opt-Out Deadline" means the deadline set by the Court for the timely submission of requests by Settlement Class Members to be excluded from the Settlement Class.
- 9. "Protective Order" means the Stipulation and Protective Order Governing the Production and Exchange of Confidential Information, No. 12-md-2311 (E.D. Mich. July 10, 2012) (ECF No. 200), and any other similar order issued in the Action.
  - 10. "Released Claims" means the claims described in Paragraphs 24-25.
- 11. "Releasees" shall refer to (i) Diamond Electric, (ii) all of Diamond Electric's past and present direct and indirect parents, subsidiary companies, and affiliates, and all other partnerships or corporations with whom any of the foregoing have been, or are now, affiliated including all of the foregoing's respective predecessors, successors and assigns, and (iii) each and all of the present and former principals, partners, officers, directors, supervisors, employees, agents, stockholders, members, representatives, insurers, attorneys, heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns of each of the persons and each of the persons and entities listed in (i)

and (ii). "Releasees" does not include any defendant in the MDL Litigation other than Diamond Electric.

- 12. "Releasors" shall refer to End-Payor Plaintiffs Class Representatives and the Settlement Class Members, as defined in Paragraph 15, below, and to their past and present officers, directors, supervisors, employees, agents, stockholders, members, attorneys, servants, representatives, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, principals, partners, insurers and all other persons, partnerships or corporations with whom any of the former have been, or are now, affiliated, and the predecessors, successors, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of any of the foregoing.
  - 13. For purposes of this Agreement, the "Settlement Class" is defined as:

All persons and entities that, from January 1, 2000 through the Execution Date, purchased or leased a new Vehicle in the United States not for resale which included one or more Ignition Coil(s) as a component part, or indirectly purchased one or more Ignition Coil(s) as a replacement part, which were manufactured or sold by a Defendant, any current or former subsidiary of a Defendant, or any co-conspirator of a Defendant. Excluded from the Settlement Class are Defendants, their parent companies, subsidiaries and affiliates, any co-conspirators, federal governmental entities and instrumentalities of the federal government, and their subdivisions, states agencies instrumentalities, and persons who purchased Ignition Coils directly or for resale.

14. "Settlement Class Counsel" shall refer to the law firms of:

Cotchett, Pitre, & McCarthy LLP San Francisco Airport Office Center 840 Malcolm Road, Suite 200 Burlingame, CA 94010

Robins Kaplan LLP 399 Park Avenue, Suite 3600 New York, NY 10022

Susman Godfrey L.L.P. 1901 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 950 Los Angeles, CA 90067

- 15. "Settlement Class Member" means each member of the Settlement Class who has not timely elected to be excluded from the Settlement Class.
- 16. "Settlement Amount" shall be \$5,396,000 and the "Settlement Fund" shall be the Settlement Amount plus any income or accrued interest earned on that amount as set forth in Paragraph 27.
- 17. "Vehicles" shall refer to four-wheeled passenger automobiles, vans, sports utility vehicles, and crossover or pick-up trucks.

# B. Approval of this Agreement and Dismissal of Claims Against Diamond Electric.

- 18. End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric shall use their best efforts to effectuate this Agreement, including cooperating in seeking the Court's approval for the establishment of procedures (including the giving of class notice under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(c) and (e)) to secure the complete, and final dismissal with prejudice of the Action as to the Releasees only.
- 19. Within thirty (30) days after the execution of this Agreement, End-Payor Plaintiffs shall submit to the Court a motion seeking preliminary approval of this Agreement (the "Preliminary Approval Motion"). The Preliminary Approval Motion shall include (i) the proposed form of an order preliminarily approving this Agreement, and (ii) a proposed form of order and final judgment that shall include at least the terms set forth in Paragraph 21 below. The text of the Preliminary Approval Motion and the proposed orders shall be agreed upon by End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric before submission of the Preliminary Approval Motion.
- 20. End-Payor Plaintiffs, at a time to be decided in their sole discretion, shall submit to the Court a motion for authorization to disseminate notice of the settlement and final judgment

contemplated by this Agreement to all Settlement Class Members identified by End-Payor Plaintiffs (the "Notice Motion"). End-Payor Plaintiffs will submit a draft of the Notice Motion to Diamond Electric sufficiently in advance of the date that End-Payor Plaintiffs intend to submit the Notice Motion to the Court for Diamond Electric to review the Notice Motion. To mitigate the costs of notice, End-Payor Plaintiffs shall endeavor, if practicable, to disseminate notice of this settlement with notice of any other settlements reached. The Notice Motion shall include a proposed form of, method for, and date of dissemination of notice.

- 21. End-Payor Plaintiffs shall seek, and Diamond Electric will not object unreasonably to, the entry of an order and final judgment in the Action, the text of which End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric shall agree upon. The terms of that proposed order and final judgment will include, at a minimum, the substance of the following provisions:
- (a) certifying the Settlement Class described in Paragraph 13, pursuant to
   Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, solely for purposes of this settlement and as a settlement class for the Action;
- (b) as to the Action, approving finally this settlement and its terms as being a fair, reasonable and adequate settlement as to the Settlement Class Members within the meaning of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 and directing its consummation according to its terms;
- (c) directing that all Releasors shall, by operation of law, be deemed to have released all Releasees from the Released Claims.
- (d) as to Diamond Electric, directing that the Action be dismissed with prejudice and, except as provided for in this Agreement, without costs;

- (e) reserving exclusive jurisdiction over the settlement and this Agreement, including the interpretation, administration and consummation of this settlement, to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan;
- (f) determining under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 54(b) that there is no just reason for delay and directing that the judgment of dismissal in the Action as to Diamond Electric shall be final;
- (g) providing that (i) the Court's certification of the Settlement Class is without prejudice to, or waiver of, the rights of any Defendant, including Diamond Electric, to contest certification of any other class proposed in the MDL Litigation, (ii) the Court's findings in the Order shall have no effect on the Court's ruling on any motion to certify any class in the MDL Litigation or on the Court's rulings concerning any Defendant's motion; and (iii) no party may cite or refer to the Court's approval of the Settlement Class as persuasive or binding authority with respect to any motion to certify any such class or any Defendant's motion;
- (h) enjoining Diamond Electric, for a period of two years beginning on the date of entry of the final order and judgment, from engaging in any price-fixing, bid-rigging, or market allocation as to Ignition Coils in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act; and
- (i) enjoining any Settlement Class Member, and their counsel, from using Cooperation Materials produced pursuant to Paragraphs 34-47 for any purpose inconsistent with the confidentiality obligations imposed by Paragraph 43 of this Agreement.
- 22. This Agreement shall become final when (i) the Court has entered a final order certifying the Settlement Class described in Paragraph 13 and approving this Agreement under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e) and has entered a final judgment dismissing the Action with prejudice as to Diamond Electric and without costs other than those provided for in this

Agreement, and (ii) the time for appeal or to seek permission to appeal from the Court's approval of this Agreement and entry of a final judgment as to Diamond Electric described in (i) above has expired or, if appealed, approval of this Agreement and the final judgment in the Action as to Diamond Electric has been affirmed in its entirety by the Court of last resort to which such appeal has been taken, and such affirmance has become no longer subject to further appeal or review, and no other motion or pleading is pending in any court. It is agreed that the provisions of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 60 shall not be taken into account in determining the above-stated times. On the date that End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric have executed this Agreement, End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric shall be bound by its terms and this Agreement shall not be rescinded except in accordance with Paragraphs 27(h) or 48 of this Agreement.

23. Neither this Agreement (whether or not it should become final) nor the final judgment, nor any and all negotiations, Documents, or discussions associated with them (including Cooperation Materials produced pursuant to Paragraphs 34-47), shall be deemed or construed to be an admission by Diamond Electric or the Releasees, or evidence of any violation of any statute or law or of any liability or wrongdoing whatsoever by Diamond Electric or the Releasees, or of the truth of any of the claims or allegations contained in any complaint or any other pleading filed in the MDL Litigation, and evidence thereof shall not be discoverable or used in any way, whether in the MDL Litigation, or any other arbitration, action or proceeding whatsoever, against Diamond Electric or the Releasees. Nothing in this Paragraph shall prevent End-Payor Plaintiffs from using and/or introducing into evidence Cooperation Materials produced pursuant to Paragraphs 34-47, subject to the limitations in those paragraphs, against any other defendants in the MDL Litigation, or to develop and promulgate a plan of allocation

and distribution. Neither this Agreement, nor any of its terms and provisions, nor any of the negotiations or proceedings connected with it, nor any other action taken to carry out this Agreement by Diamond Electric, shall be referred to, offered as evidence or received in evidence in any pending or future civil, criminal, or administrative action, arbitration, or proceedings, except in a proceeding to enforce this Agreement, or to defend against the assertion of Released Claims, or as otherwise required by law.

# C. Release, Discharge, and Covenant Not to Sue.

In addition to the effect of any final judgment entered in accordance with this 24. Agreement, upon this Agreement becoming final, as set out in Paragraph 22 of this Agreement, and in consideration of payment of the Settlement Amount, as specified in Paragraphs 16 and 26 of this Agreement, into the Settlement Fund, and for other valuable consideration, the Releasees shall be completely released, acquitted, and forever discharged from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits, causes of action, whether class, individual, or otherwise in nature (whether or not any Settlement Class Member has objected to the settlement or makes a claim upon or participates in the Settlement Fund, whether directly, representatively, derivatively or in any other capacity) that Releasors, or any of them, ever had, now has, or hereafter can, shall, or may ever have, that now exist or may exist in the future, on account of, or in any way arising out of, any and all known and unknown, foreseen and unforeseen, suspected or unsuspected, actual or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated claims, injuries, damages, and the consequences thereof in any way arising out of or relating in any way to (i) any conduct alleged in the Complaint, and/or (ii) any act or omission of the Releasees (or any of them) concerning Ignition Coils, including but not limited to any conduct and causes of action alleged or asserted or that could have been alleged or asserted, in any class action or other complaint filed in the Action (the "Released Claims"), provided however, that nothing herein shall release: (1) any claims made by direct purchasers of Ignition Coils; (2) any claims made by automotive dealerships that are indirect purchasers of Ignition Coils; (3) any claims made by any State, State agency, or instrumentality or political subdivision of a State as to government purchases and/or penalties; (4) claims involving any negligence, personal injury, breach of contract, bailment, failure to deliver lost goods, damaged or delayed goods, product defect, securities or similar claim relating to Ignition Coils; (5) claims concerning any automotive part other than Ignition Coils; (6) claims under laws other than those of the United States relating to purchases of Ignition Coils made by any Releasor outside of the United States; and (7) claims for damages under the state or local laws of any jurisdiction other than an Indirect Purchaser State. Releasors shall not, after the date of this Agreement, seek to establish liability against any Releasee as to, in whole or in part, any of the Released Claims unless this Agreement is, for any reason terminated, or not finally approved.

25. In addition to the provisions of Paragraph 24 of this Agreement, Releasors hereby expressly waive and release, upon this Agreement becoming final, as set out in Paragraph 22 of this Agreement, any and all provisions, rights, and benefits, as to their claims concerning Ignition Coils conferred by § 1542 of the California Civil Code, which states:

CERTAIN CLAIMS NOT AFFECTED BY GENERAL RELEASE. A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR;

or by any equivalent law or statute of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code. Each Releasor may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which he, she, or it knows or believes to be true with respect to the claims which are released

pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 24 of this Agreement, but each Releasor hereby expressly waives and fully, finally, and forever settles and releases, upon this Agreement becoming final, any known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent claim that Diamond Electric and End-Payor Plaintiffs have agreed to release pursuant to Paragraph 24, whether or not concealed or hidden, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts.

#### D. Settlement Amount.

26. Subject to the provisions hereof, and in full, complete and final settlement of the Action as provided herein, Diamond Electric, shall pay or cause to be paid the Settlement Amount. The Settlement Amount shall be paid in U.S. dollars into an escrow account to be administered in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 27 of this Agreement (the "Escrow Account"). Diamond Electric shall transfer the Settlement Amount to the Settlement Fund by wiring such funds to the Escrow Account within thirty (30) days following the later of the date (i) the court enters an order preliminarily approving this Settlement as set forth in Paragraph 19, or (ii) Diamond Electric is provided with the account number, account name, and wiring transfer information for the Escrow Account.

#### Escrow Account.

- (a) The Escrow Account will be established at Wells Fargo Bank with such Bank serving as escrow agent ("Escrow Agent") subject to escrow instructions regarding investment types and reinvestment of income and proceeds mutually acceptable to Settlement Class Counsel and Diamond Electric, such escrow to be administered by the Escrow Agent under the Court's continuing supervision and control.
- (b) The Escrow Agent shall cause the funds deposited in the Escrow Account to be invested in short-term instruments backed by the full faith and credit of the

United States Government or fully insured in writing by the United States Government, or money market funds rated Aaa and AAA, respectively by Moody's Investor Services and Standard and Poor's, invested substantially in such instruments, and shall reinvest any income from these instruments and the proceeds of these instruments as they mature in similar instruments at their then current market rates. Subject to Paragraph 30(a) below, Diamond Electric shall bear no risk related to the Settlement Fund.

- (c) All funds held in the Escrow Account shall be deemed and considered to be in custodia legis of the Court, and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court, until such time as such funds shall be distributed pursuant to this Agreement and/or further order(s) of the Court.
- (d) End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric agree to treat the Settlement Fund as being at all times qualified settlement funds within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.468B-1. In addition, Settlement Class Counsel shall timely make such elections as necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this Paragraph 27, including the relation-back election (as defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.468B-1(j)) back to the earliest permitted date. Such elections shall be made in compliance with the procedures and requirements contained in such regulations. It shall be the responsibility of Settlement Class Counsel to timely and properly prepare and deliver the necessary documentation for signature by all necessary parties, and thereafter to cause the appropriate filing to occur. All provisions of this Agreement shall be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with the Settlement Amount being a "Qualified Settlement Fund" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1.
- (e) For the purpose of § 468B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, the administrator of the Settlement Fund

shall be Settlement Class Counsel. Settlement Class Counsel shall timely and properly file all information and other tax returns necessary or advisable with respect to the Settlement Fund (including without limitation the returns described in Treas. Reg. § 1.468B-2(k), (1)). Such returns (as well as the election described in Paragraph 27(d) above) shall be consistent with Paragraph 27(d) and in all events shall reflect that all Taxes, as defined below (including any estimated Taxes, interest or penalties), on the income earned by the Settlement Fund shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund as provided in Paragraph 27(f) hereof.

- (f) All (i) taxes (including any estimated taxes, interest or penalties) arising with respect to the income earned by the Settlement Fund, including any taxes or tax detriments that may be imposed upon Diamond Electric or any other Releasee with respect to any income earned by the Settlement Fund for any period during which the Settlement Fund does not qualify as a qualified settlement fund for federal or state income tax purposes ("Taxes"); and (ii) expenses and costs incurred in connection with the operation and implementation of Paragraphs 27(d) through 27(f) (including, without limitation, expenses of tax attorneys and/or accountants and mailing and distribution costs and expenses relating to filing (or failing to file) the returns described in Paragraph 27(e) ("Tax Expenses")), shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund.
- (g) Neither Diamond Electric nor any other Releasee nor their respective counsel shall have any liability or responsibility for the Taxes or the Tax Expenses or the filing of any tax returns or other Documents with the Internal Revenue Service or any other taxing authority. Settlement Class Counsel shall indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees for Taxes and Tax Expenses. Further, Taxes and Tax Expenses shall be treated as, and considered to be, a cost of administration of the Settlement Fund and shall be timely paid by the Escrow Agent out of the Settlement Fund without prior order from the Court and the Escrow Agent shall be

obligated (notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary) to withhold from distribution to any claimants authorized by the Court any funds necessary to pay such amounts including the establishment of adequate reserves for any Taxes and Tax Expenses (as well as any amounts that may be required to be withheld under Treas. Reg. § 1.468B-2(1)(2)). Neither Diamond Electric nor any Releasee shall be responsible or have any liability therefor or for any reporting requirements that relate thereto. End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric agree to cooperate with the Escrow Agent, each other, and their tax attorneys and accountants to the extent reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of Paragraphs 27(d) through 27(f).

(h) If this Agreement does not receive final Court approval, including final approval of the Settlement Class as defined in Paragraph 13, or if the Action is not certified as a class action for settlement purposes, then all amounts paid by Diamond Electric into the Settlement Fund (other than costs expended or incurred in accordance with Paragraphs 27 and 30) shall be returned to Diamond Electric from the Escrow Account by the Escrow Agent, along with any interest accrued thereon, within thirty (30) calendar days of the court's final determination denying final approval of the Agreement and/or Settlement Class.

# 28. Injunctive Relief.

Subject to the provisions hereof, and in full, complete, and final settlement of the Action as provided herein, Diamond Electric further agrees that it will not engage in conduct that constitutes a *per se* violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act (whether characterized as price fixing, market allocation, bid rigging, or otherwise) with respect to the sale of Ignition Coils for a period of twenty-four (24) months from the date of the entry of final judgment.

# 29. Exclusions from the Settlement Class.

Subject to Court approval, any person or entity seeking exclusion from the Settlement Class must file a written request for exclusion by the Opt-Out Deadline. Any person or entity that files such a request shall be excluded from the Settlement Class and shall have no rights with respect to this settlement. Subject to Court approval, a request for exclusion that does not comply with all of the provisions set forth in the applicable class notice will be invalid, and the person(s) or entity(ies) serving such an invalid request shall be deemed Settlement Class Member(s) and shall be bound by the Settlement Agreement upon final approval. Settlement Class Counsel shall, within ten (10) business days of the Opt-Out Deadline, provide Diamond Electric with a list and copies of all opt-out requests it receives in the Action and shall file with the Court a list of all members of the Settlement Class who timely and validly opted out of the settlement.

- (a) Subject to Court approval, any member of the Settlement Class who submits a valid and timely request for exclusion will not be a Settlement Class Member and shall not be bound by the terms of this Agreement. Diamond Electric reserves all of its legal rights and defenses, including but not limited to any defenses relating to whether any excluded member of the Settlement Class is an indirect purchaser of Ignition Coils or has standing to bring any claim against Diamond Electric.
- (b) Subject to Court approval, in the written request for exclusion, the member of the Settlement Class must state his, her, or its full name, street address, telephone number, and email address. Further, the member of the Settlement Class must include a statement in the written request for exclusion that he, she, or it wishes to be excluded from the Settlement. Any member of the Settlement Class that submits a written request for exclusion may also identify the

number of Vehicles purchased from January 1, 2000 through the Execution Date of this Agreement as requested in the notice to the Settlement Class as provided in Paragraph 20.

(c) Diamond Electric or Settlement Class Counsel may dispute an exclusion request, and the parties shall, if possible, resolve the disputed exclusion request by agreement and shall inform the Court of their position, and, if necessary, obtain a ruling thereon within thirty (30) days of the Opt-Out Deadline.

## Payment of Expenses.

- (a) Diamond Electric agrees to permit use of a maximum of USD \$500,000 of the Settlement Fund to be used towards the cost of providing notice to the Settlement Class and the costs of administration of the Settlement Fund. The notice and administration expenses are not recoverable if this settlement does not become final or is terminated to the extent such funds have actually been expended or incurred for notice and administration costs. The Escrow Agent shall return all remaining portions of the Settlement Fund to Diamond Electric should this Agreement not receive final approval. Other than as set forth in this Paragraph 30 and Paragraph 27, neither Diamond Electric nor any other Releasees shall be liable for any of the costs or expenses of the litigation of the Action, including attorneys' fees, fees and expenses of expert witnesses and consultants, and costs and expenses associated with discovery, motion practice, hearings before the Court or Special Master, appeals, trials or the negotiation of other settlements, or for class administration and costs.
- (b) To mitigate the costs of notice and administration, End-Payor Plaintiffs shall use their best efforts, if practicable, to disseminate notice with any other settlements reached with other defendants in the MDL Litigation and to apportion the costs of notice and administration on a pro rata basis across the applicable settlements.

## E. The Settlement Fund.

- 31. After this Agreement becomes final within the meaning of Paragraph 22, the Settlement Fund shall be distributed in accordance with a plan to be submitted to the Court at the appropriate time by Settlement Class Counsel, subject to approval by the Court. In no event shall any Releasee have any responsibility, financial obligation, or liability whatsoever with respect to the investment, distribution, or administration of the Settlement Fund, including, but not limited to, the costs and expenses of such distribution and administration except as expressly otherwise provided in Paragraphs 27 and 30 of this Agreement.
- 32. End-Payor Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Counsel shall be reimbursed and indemnified solely out of the Settlement Fund for all expenses and costs, as provided by Court Order. Diamond Electric and the other Releasees shall not be liable for any costs, fees, or expenses of any of End-Payor Plaintiffs or the Settlement Class' respective attorneys, experts, advisors, agents, or representatives, but all such costs, fees, and expenses as approved by the Court shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund.
- Settlement Class Counsel's Attorneys' Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and
   Incentive Awards for Class Representatives.
- (a) Settlement Class Counsel may, after preliminary approval of this Agreement, submit an application or applications to the Court (the "Fee and Expense Application") for: (i) an award of attorneys' fees not in excess of one-third of the Settlement Fund; plus (ii) reimbursement of expenses and costs incurred in connection with prosecuting the Action and incentive awards, plus interest on such attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses at the same rate and for the same period as earned by the Settlement Fund (until paid), as may be awarded by the Court (the "Fee and Expense Award"). Settlement Class Counsel reserves the right to make additional applications for Court approval of fees and expenses incurred and

reasonable incentive awards, but in no event shall Diamond Electric or any other Releasees be responsible to pay any such additional fees and expenses except to the extent they are paid out of the Settlement Fund.

- (b) Subject to Court approval, End-Payor Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Counsel shall be reimbursed and paid solely out of the Settlement Fund for all expenses including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and past, current, or future litigation expenses and incentive awards. Attorneys' fees and expenses awarded by the Court shall be payable from the Settlement Fund upon award, notwithstanding the existence of any timely filed objections thereto, or potential appeal therefrom, or collateral attack on the settlement or any part thereof, subject to Settlement Class Counsel's obligation to make appropriate refunds or repayments to the Settlement Fund with interest, if and when, as a result of any appeal and/or further proceedings on remand, or successful collateral attack, the fee or award of expenses is reduced or reversed, or in the event the Agreement is rescinded or terminated pursuant to Paragraph 27(h) or Paragraph 48.
- (c) The procedure for and the allowance or disallowance by the Court of the application by Settlement Class Counsel for attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, and incentive awards for class representatives to be paid out of the Settlement Fund is not part of this Agreement, and is to be considered by the Court separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness and adequacy of the Settlement. Any order or proceeding relating to the Fee and Expense Application, or any appeal from any such order shall not operate to terminate or cancel this Agreement, or affect the finality of the final approval of the Settlement.
- (d) Neither Diamond Electric nor any other Releasee under this Agreement shall have any responsibility for, or interest in, or liability whatsoever with respect to any

payment to Settlement Class Counsel and/or End-Payor Plaintiffs of any Fee and Expense Award in the Action.

(e) Neither Diamond Electric nor any other Releasee under this Agreement shall have any responsibility for, or interest in, or liability whatsoever with respect to the allocation among Settlement Class Counsel, End-Payor Plaintiffs and/or any other person who may assert some claim thereto, of any Fee and Expense Award that the Court may make in the Action.

## F. Cooperation.

In return for the release and discharge provided herein, Diamond Electric agrees 34. to pay the Settlement Amount and be bound by the Injunctive Relief described in Paragraph 28, and further agrees to use its best efforts to provide satisfactory and timely Cooperation, as set forth specifically in Paragraphs 34-47. Cooperation will take place consistent with the timing set forth specifically below, and in a manner that is in compliance with Diamond Electric's obligations to Government Entities (defined as the United States Department of Justice ("DOJ"), the Japanese Fair Trade Commission ("JFTC"), and the European Commission ("EU")). Diamond Electric shall not be required to provide Documents or information protected by the attorney-client privilege, the attorney work product doctrine, or any applicable privilege under foreign law, or whose disclosure is prohibited by court order, any foreign or domestic law, or by a Government Entity. Should Diamond Electric withhold any materials pursuant to the foregoing sentence, Diamond Electric will so inform the End-Payor Plaintiffs and will describe the basis for such withholding to the extent permissible under applicable law. Cooperation shall be limited to Ignition Coils and shall not include information relating to other products manufactured by Diamond Electric and/or Releasees.

- 35. <u>Identity of Individuals.</u> Within five (5) business days of the Execution Date of this Agreement, Counsel for Diamond Electric shall use its best efforts to provide Settlement Class Counsel with the identity of all current and former employees, directors and officers of Diamond Electric who: (1) were interviewed and/or prosecuted by any Government Entity in connection with alleged price fixing-bid rigging and market allocation of Ignition Coils; (2) appeared before the grand jury in the DOJ's investigation into alleged antitrust violations with respect to Ignition Coils; and/or (3) were disclosed to the DOJ as having knowledge of information relating to the DOJ's investigation into alleged antitrust violations with respect to Ignition Coils.
- 36. Transactional Data. Diamond Electric will use its best efforts to complete the production of transactional data concerning Diamond Electric's sales of Ignition Coils to Original Equipment Manufacturers, or other purchasers of Ignition Coils, from January 1, 1998 through the Execution Date within forty-five (45) days of End-Payor Plaintiffs' request. In addition, Diamond Electric will provide in response to a written request from Settlement Class Counsel a single production of electronic transactional data generated during the two (2) years after the Execution Date of this Agreement concerning Ignition Coils, as it exists in Diamond Electric's electronic databases at the time of the request, within sixty (60) days of the receipt of such request. Diamond Electric shall preserve such transactional data until two (2) years after the Execution Date of this Agreement. Diamond Electric will produce transactional data only from existing electronic transaction databases, except that, to the extent Diamond Electric has not recorded or maintained electronic transactional data for any period between January 1, 1998 and two (2) years from the Execution Date of this Agreement, then Diamond Electric will use reasonable efforts to produce existing hard copy records of sales transactions not recorded or maintained electronically in the existing electronic sales transaction database. The parties shall

meet and confer in good faith concerning any modifications to the timing of Diamond Electric's production of transactional data under this Paragraph in light of the procedural posture of EPPs' claims against any non-settling Defendant in the Action.

- 37. In addition, after conducting a reasonable search, Diamond Electric shall, to the best of its knowledge, identify those Vehicles sold in the United States from January 1, 2000 through the Execution Date of this Agreement that contain Ignition Coils sold by Diamond Electric.
- 38. **Documents.** Diamond Electric will use its best efforts to complete the production of the following Documents, including English translations, to the extent they exist (and, for the avoidance of doubt, under no circumstances is Diamond required to create English translations that do not exist) within forty-five (45) days of End-Payor Plaintiffs' request: (1) Documents, including any translations, produced to or seized by Government Entities relating to their investigation into alleged competition violations with respect to Ignition Coils; (2) nonprivileged Documents, if any, produced to any third parties relating to End-Payor Plaintiffs' claims or Defendants' defenses in the Action; (3) non-privileged Documents concerning Ignition Coils collected and reviewed in connection with a communication, meeting, or agreement regarding Ignition Coils, by any employee, officer or director of Diamond Electric with any employee, officer, or director of another manufacturer or seller of Ignition Coils, but that were not provided to or seized by Government Entities; (4) Documents concerning Diamond Electric's determination of its prices for Ignition Coils; (5) Documents showing how employees were trained or instructed to bid and set prices for Ignition Coils; and (6) Documents relating to issued requests for quotation ("RFQ"), bids submitted in response to RFQs, RFQ award notifications, and post-award price adjustments for Ignition Coils. As to Documents in Diamond Electric's

possession, custody, or control that are not listed above, Diamond Electric will consider in good faith any reasonable request by End-Payor Plaintiffs to collect and produce such Documents provided the request would not impose an undue burden on Diamond Electric. The parties shall meet and confer in good faith concerning any modifications to: (1) the timing of Diamond Electric's production of Documents under this Paragraph in light of the procedural posture of EPPs' claims against any non-settling Defendant in the Action; and (2) the scope of Diamond Electric's production of Documents under this Paragraph seized by or produced to the JFTC.

- Attorney Proffers and Witness Interviews. Additionally, Diamond Electric shall
  use its best efforts to cooperate with Settlement Class Counsel as set forth in this Paragraph 39.
  - (a) Within ten (10) days of preliminary approval of this Agreement, Diamond Electric's counsel will make themselves available at the Washington, D.C. office of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP for up to two (2) meetings of one (1) business day each to provide an attorneys' proffer of facts known to them relating to End-Payor Plaintiffs' allegations with respect to Diamond Electric ("Attorneys Proffers"). Diamond Electric shall produce to End-Payor Plaintiffs all Documents referenced at the proffers within ten (10) days of such proffer. The parties and their counsel further agree that any statements made by Diamond Electric's counsel in connection with or as part of this settlement, including the Attorneys' Proffers, shall be treated as "Highly Confidential" as said designation is described in the Protective Order, unless otherwise agreed to by the parties or ordered by the Court, and that they shall not use the information so received for any purpose other than the prosecution of their claims in the MDL Litigation, and for purposes of developing and promulgating a plan of allocation and distribution.

- (b) Upon reasonable notice, Diamond Electric further agrees to make available for interviews with Settlement Class Counsel and settlement class counsel for Auto Dealer Plaintiffs ("Auto Dealer Settlement Class Counsel"), up to eight (8) persons who Settlement Class Counsel and Auto Dealer Settlement Class Counsel jointly select and who the parties reasonably and in good faith believe possess knowledge of facts or information that would reasonably assist End-Payor Plaintiffs in the prosecution of their claims in the Action.
- (c) Upon reasonable notice, Diamond Electric shall make the same eight (8) persons referred to in subsection (b) available for depositions, provide declarations or affidavits from the same persons, and make those persons available to testify at trial.
- interviews, depositions, trial, or provide declarations and affidavits, then Settlement Class Counsel may select a substitute interviewee, deponent, witness, or declarant. The interviews and depositions shall be conducted at a mutually agreed upon location in the United States, and the depositions shall be limited to a total of seven (7) hours over one (1) day unless the deposition is in a language other than English, in which case the deposition shall be limited to a total of thirteen (13) hours over two (2) days. In the event that an interpreter is required, Settlement Class Counsel and Auto Dealer Settlement Class Counsel shall arrange and pay for the participation of an official "lead" interpreter. Diamond Electric, in its sole discretion, has the option to arrange for and pay for the participation of a "check interpreter" at the interview or deposition. If the interview, deposition or trial takes place outside the country of the witness's residence, Settlement Class Counsel and Auto Dealer Settlement Class Counsel shall together reimburse half the reasonable travel costs incurred by such persons, but in no

event shall Settlement Class Counsel be responsible for reimbursing such persons for time or services rendered. Such travel expenses may include economy airfare, but not airfare for business or first class seats. Reimbursable expenses shall not exceed \$1,500 per interviewee or deponent to be allocated between Settlement Class Counsel and Auto Dealer Settlement Class Counsel. If the interview and the above-described deposition occur during the same trip, the above-referenced limitations will apply to that trip.

- (e) In addition to its Cooperation obligations set forth herein, Diamond Electric agrees to produce through affidavit(s), declaration(s) and/or at trial, in Settlement Class Counsel's discretion, representatives qualified to authenticate, establish as business records, or otherwise establish any other necessary foundation for admission into evidence of any Documents or transactional data produced or to be produced by Diamond Electric. Settlement Class Counsel and End-Payor Plaintiffs agree to use their best efforts to obtain stipulations that would avoid the need to call Diamond Electric witnesses at trial for the purpose of obtaining such evidentiary foundations.
- (f) The parties shall meet and confer in good faith concerning any modifications to the timing of Diamond Electric's provision of witness interviews, depositions, declarations or affidavits under subsections (b)-(e) of this Paragraph in light of the procedural posture of EPPs' claims against any non-settling Defendant in the Action.
- 40. In the event that Diamond Electric has produced or subsequently produces Documents, including translations, or provides declarations or written responses to discovery to any Government Entity, party or non-party in the MDL Litigation, concerning or relating to this Action (a "Relevant Production"), Diamond Electric shall produce all such Documents, declarations, or written discovery responses to Settlement Class Counsel contemporaneously

with making the Relevant Production to the extent such Documents, declarations, or written discovery responses have not previously been produced by Diamond Electric to Settlement Class Counsel. In addition, Diamond Electric shall provide End-Payor Plaintiffs with all cooperation it provides pursuant to any settlement agreement with any other party in this MDL Litigation, including but not limited to, the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs in the action captioned In re: Ignition Coils, Case Nos. 2:13-cv-01401 and 2:15-cv-11830. To the extent that such cooperation includes any attorney proffer, witness interviews, or depositions of individuals in addition to those already provided for in Paragraph 39 herein, Settlement Class Counsel shall be permitted to attend and participate in such attorney proffer, witness interviews or depositions, and shall be entitled to ask questions for a period of up to three (3) hours at any interview or deposition (provided that this shall not expand the time permitted for any deposition), but shall not be entitled to any independent additional attorney proffer, witness interviews or depositions. All such additional Cooperation shall be subject to Paragraph 43 below and shall be coordinated, to the extent reasonably practicable, between Settlement Class Counsel, Auto Dealer Settlement Class Counsel, and settlement class counsel for the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs, or such other party in the MDL Litigation to whom such cooperation is provided pursuant to a settlement agreement. End-Payor Plaintiffs' receipt of or participation in cooperation provided by Diamond Electric to other parties or non-parties shall not in any way limit End-Payor Plaintiffs' entitlement to receive Cooperation as set forth in this Section F, including but not limited to, attorney proffers, witness interviews, and depositions.

41. This Agreement does not restrict Settlement Class Counsel from noticing, attending and/or participating in any deposition in the MDL Litigation. Settlement Class Counsel may notice, attend, cross-notice and/or participate in any depositions of Diamond

Electric's witnesses in addition to the depositions set forth in Paragraph 39, and Settlement Class Counsel together with Auto Dealer Settlement Class Counsel may ask questions for a combined total of three (3) hours at such deposition, provided that the time for participation of Settlement Class Counsel and settlement class counsel for the Auto Dealer Plaintiffs shall not expand the time permitted for the deposition as may be provided by the Court, and Settlement Class Counsel will not ask the Court to enlarge the time of any deposition noticed of a Diamond Electric current or former employee. Participation by Settlement Class Counsel in the depositions discussed in this Paragraph will not limit the number of depositions to be provided under Paragraph 39 above. End-Payor Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Counsel agree to use their best efforts to ensure that any depositions taken under Paragraph 39 above are coordinated with any other deposition noticed in the MDL Litigation to avoid unnecessary duplication. In the event End-Payor Plaintiffs have settled with all Defendants in the Action, End-Payor Plaintiffs will forego participating in depositions of Diamond Electric witnesses scheduled by other plaintiff groups in the Ignition Coils actions provided that if (1) this Agreement does not receive Final Approval, or (2) any other settlement in this Action does not receive final approval, then End-Payor Plaintiffs may, at a later date, take depositions of any Diamond Electric witnesses who were previously deposed in the Ignition Coils actions subject to the limitations of this Paragraph. Nothing herein shall alter, limit or otherwise affect rights of End-Payor Plaintiffs to take depositions of Diamond Electric employees subject to Paragraph 39 of this Agreement.

42. If any Document protected by the attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product protection, or any other privilege is accidentally or inadvertently produced, its production shall in no way be construed to have waived any privilege or protection attached to such Document.

Upon notice by Diamond Electric of such inadvertent production, the Document shall promptly be destroyed and/or returned to Diamond Electric.

- 43. End-Payor Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Counsel agree that all Documents and any other Cooperation Materials produced by Diamond Electric pursuant to Paragraphs 34-47 shall be treated as "Highly Confidential," as said designation is described in the Protective Order, unless otherwise agreed by the parties or ordered by the Court, and that they shall not use the information so received for any purpose other than the prosecution of the claims in this Action. Absent Court Order or written agreement from Diamond Electric, End-Payor Plaintiffs shall not share Cooperation Materials with Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs in the actions captioned *Ignition Coils*, Case Nos. 2:13-cv-01401 and 2:15-cv-11830.
- 44. Diamond Electric's obligations to provide Cooperation shall not be affected by the releases set forth in this Settlement Agreement. Unless this Agreement is rescinded, disapproved, or otherwise fails to take effect, Diamond Electric's obligations to provide Cooperation under this Agreement shall continue only until otherwise ordered by the Court, or the date that final judgment has been entered in all actions in *In re Automotive Parts Antitrust Litigation*, Master File No. 2:12-md-02311, against all Defendants. For purposes of this Paragraph, the term "final" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Paragraph 22.
- 45. In the event that this Agreement fails to receive final approval by the Court, including final approval of the Settlement Class as defined in Paragraph 13, or in the event that it is terminated by either party under any provision herein, the parties agree that neither End-Payor Plaintiffs nor Settlement Class Counsel shall be permitted to use or introduce into evidence against Diamond Electric, at any hearing or trial, or in support of any motion, opposition or other pleading in the Action or in any other federal or state or foreign action alleging a violation of any

law relating to the subject matter of the Action, any Documents provided by Diamond Electric and/or the other Releasees, their counsel, or any individual made available by Diamond Electric pursuant to Cooperation (as opposed to from any other source or pursuant to a court order). This limitation shall not apply to any discovery of Diamond Electric which Settlement Class Counsel participate in as part of the MDL Litigation. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric are not relinquishing any rights to pursue discovery from each other or third parties in the event that this Agreement fails to receive final approval by the Court, including final approval of the Settlement Class as defined in Paragraph 13, or in the event that it is terminated by either party under any provision herein. End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric will meet and confer regarding the timing of any such additional discovery. If the parties cannot agree, they may submit any disputes to the Special Master or Court in the MDL proceeding.

- 46. End-Payor Plaintiffs, Diamond Electric and other Releasees need not respond to formal discovery requests from each other and Diamond Electric is not required to otherwise participate in the Action during the pendency of this Agreement, with the exception of the Cooperation provisions set forth above in Paragraphs 34-47. Other than to enforce the terms of this Agreement, neither Diamond Electric nor End-Payor Plaintiffs shall file motions against the other in the Action during the pendency of this Agreement.
- 47. If Settlement Class Counsel believes that Diamond Electric or any current or former employee, officer or director of Diamond Electric has failed to cooperate under the terms of this Agreement, Settlement Class Counsel may seek an Order from the Court compelling such cooperation. Nothing in this provision shall limit in any way Diamond Electric's ability to defend

the level of Cooperation it has provided or to defend its compliance with the terms of the Cooperation provisions in this Agreement.

- G. Rescission if this Agreement is Not Approved or Final Judgment is Not Entered.
- 48. If the Court refuses to approve this Agreement or any part hereof, including if the Court does not certify the Settlement Class in accordance with the specific Settlement Class definitions set forth in this Agreement, or if such approval is modified or set aside on appeal, or if the Court does not enter the final judgment provided for in Paragraph 22 of this Agreement, or if the Court enters the final judgment and appellate review is sought, and on such review, such final judgment is not affirmed in its entirety, then Diamond Electric and End-Payor Plaintiffs shall each, in their sole discretion, have the option to rescind this Agreement in its entirety. Written notice of the exercise of any such right to rescind shall be made according to the terms of Paragraph 60. A modification or reversal on appeal of any amount of Settlement Class Counsel's fees and expenses awarded by the Court from the Settlement Funds shall not be deemed a modification of all or a part of the terms of this Agreement or such final judgment.
- 49. In the event that this Agreement does not become final as set forth in Paragraph 22, or this Agreement otherwise is terminated or rescinded pursuant to Paragraph 48, then: (i) this Agreement shall be of no force or effect; (ii) any and all parts of the Settlement Fund caused to be deposited in the Escrow Account (including interest earned thereon) shall be returned forthwith to Diamond Electric less only disbursements made in accordance with Paragraphs 27 and 30 of this Agreement; and (iii) Diamond Electric shall be entitled to any tax refunds owing to the Settlement Funds. At the request of Diamond Electric, Settlement Class Counsel shall file claims for any tax refunds owed to the Settlement Funds and pay the proceeds, after deduction of any fees and expenses incurred with filing such claims for tax refunds, to Diamond Electric.

Diamond Electric expressly reserves all rights and defenses if this Agreement does not become final.

- 50. Further, and in any event, End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric agree that this Agreement, whether or not it shall become final as set forth in Paragraph 22 of this Agreement, and any and all negotiations, Documents, and discussions associated with it, shall not be deemed or construed to be an admission or evidence of (i) any violation of any statute or law or of any liability or wrongdoing whatsoever by Diamond Electric, or the other Releasees, or (ii) the truth of any of the claims or allegations contained in the Complaint or any other pleading filed in the MDL Litigation. Unless otherwise set forth herein, evidence derived from this Agreement, and any and all negotiations, Documents, and discussions associated with it, shall not be discoverable or used in any way, whether in the MDL Litigation or in any other action or proceeding, against Diamond Electric or any other Releasees. Nothing in this Paragraph shall prevent End-Payor Plaintiffs from using Cooperation Materials produced by Diamond Electric for the purpose of prosecuting the claims in the MDL Litigation, except as to any such claims against Diamond Electric or Releasees.
- 51. The parties to this Agreement contemplate and agree that, prior to final approval of the settlement as provided for in Paragraphs 18-23 hereof, appropriate notice 1) of the settlement and 2) of a hearing at which the Court will consider the approval of this Agreement will be given to the Settlement Class.

## H. Miscellaneous.

52. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted to effectuate the intent of the parties, which is to provide, through this Agreement, for a complete resolution of the relevant claims with respect to each Releasee as provided in this Agreement.

- 53. Diamond Electric shall submit all materials required to be sent to appropriate Federal and State officials pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, 28 U.S.C. § 1715.
- 54. This Agreement does not settle or compromise any claim by End-Payor Plaintiffs or any Settlement Class Member asserted in the Complaint or, if amended, any subsequent complaint, against any Defendant or alleged co-conspirator, other than Diamond Electric or any of the Releasees. All rights against such other Defendants or alleged co-conspirators are specifically reserved by End-Payor Plaintiffs and the Settlement Class. All rights of any Settlement Class Member against any and all former, current, or future defendants or coconspirators or any other person other than Diamond Electric and the other Releasees, for sales made by Diamond Electric and alleged illegal conduct, are specifically reserved by End-Payor Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Members. Diamond Electric's sales to the class and its alleged illegal conduct shall, to the extent permitted or authorized by law, remain in the Action as a basis for damage claims and shall be part of any joint and several liability claims against other current or future Defendants in the Action or other persons or entities other than Diamond Electric and the other Releasees. Diamond Electric and the other Releasees shall not be responsible for any payment to End-Payor Plaintiffs other than the amount specifically agreed to in Paragraphs 16 and 26 of this Agreement.
- 55. The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan shall retain jurisdiction over the implementation, enforcement, and performance of this Agreement, and shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any suit, action, proceeding, or dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the applicability of this Agreement that cannot be resolved by negotiation and agreement by End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric, including challenges to the reasonableness of any party's actions. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted

according to the substantive laws of the state of Michigan without regard to its choice of law or conflict of laws principles. Diamond Electric will not object to complying with any of the provisions outlined in this Agreement on the basis of jurisdiction.

- 56. This Agreement constitutes the entire, complete and integrated agreement among End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric pertaining to the settlement of the Action against Diamond Electric, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous undertakings, communications, representations, understandings, negotiations and discussions, either oral or written, between End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric in connection herewith. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except in writing executed by End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric, and approved by the Court.
- 57. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors and assigns of End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each and every covenant and agreement made herein by End-Payor Plaintiffs or Settlement Class Counsel shall be binding upon all Settlement Class Members and Releasors. The Releasees (other than Diamond Electric entities which are parties hereto) are third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and are authorized to enforce its terms applicable to them.
- 58. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts by End-Payor Plaintiffs and Diamond Electric, and a facsimile signature shall be deemed an original signature for purposes of executing this Agreement.
- 59. Neither End-Payor Plaintiffs nor Diamond Electric shall be considered to be the drafter of this Agreement or any of its provisions for the purpose of any statute, case law, or rule of interpretation or construction that would or might cause any provision to be construed against the drafter of this Agreement.

- 60. Where this Agreement requires either party to provide notice or any other communication or Document to the other, such notice shall be in writing, and such notice, communication or Document shall be provided by facsimile, or electronic mail (provided that the recipient acknowledges having received that email, with an automatic "read receipt" or similar notice constituting an acknowledgement of an email receipt for purposes of this Paragraph), or letter by overnight delivery to the undersigned counsel of record for the party to whom notice is being provided.
- 61. Diamond Electric and End-Payor Plaintiffs agree not to disclose publicly or to any other person, except for Releasees where necessary, the terms of this Agreement until this Agreement is submitted to the Court for preliminary approval.
- 62. Each of the undersigned attorneys represents that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of, and to execute, this Agreement subject to Court approval.

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