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In re : Chapter 11

MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY, et al., : Case No.: 09-50026 (REG)

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

Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

# AGREED AND DISPUTED STIPULATIONS OF FACT PURSUANT TO THE COURT'S SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULING ORDER, DATED JULY 11, 2014

Counsel for the Identified Parties<sup>1</sup> hereby provide, pursuant to the Supplemental Scheduling Order, their agreed-upon<sup>2</sup> and disputed Stipulations of Fact relating to the Four Threshold Issues.<sup>3</sup> as defined in the Supplemental Scheduling Order.

Upon consent of all of the Counsel for the Identified Parties, or upon approval by the Court after good cause shown, any party (a) may seek to amend or modify these agreed-upon factual stipulations, or (b) may use documents, testimony or other evidence that is not specifically referenced in these stipulations including documents produced after the date of these stipulations. It should also be noted that while Counsel for the Identified Parties agreed to the accuracy of the factual stipulations set forth below, in certain instances, they could not agree that such factual stipulations are relevant and/or are admissible evidence for the Court's

As defined in the Supplemental Scheduling Order Regarding (I) Motion Of General Motors LLC Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 And 363 To Enforce The Court's July 5, 2009 Sale Order And Injunction, (II) Objection Filed By Certain Plaintiffs In Respect Thereto, And (III) Adversary Proceeding No. 14-01929, which was entered by the Court on July 11, 2014 ("Supplemental Scheduling Order").

Each of the Counsel for the Identified Parties reserves the right to rely on any of the stipulations of fact agreed upon by Counsel for the Identified Parties in support of any of the Four Threshold Issues.

For the avoidance of doubt, the issue of whether a claim asserted in the Ignition Switch Actions is timely and/or meritorious against the Old GM bankruptcy estate (and/or the GUC Trust) is not a Threshold Issue.

determination of the Four Threshold Issues. The parties have reserved their relevance and/or other evidentiary objections (including hearsay, privilege or other types of admissibility objections) to such factual stipulations. After a party understands how such factual stipulations will be asserted by another party in its pleadings and/or briefs relating to the Four Threshold Issues, it may ask the Court for an evidentiary ruling as to its admissibility prior to the oral argument on the Four Threshold Issues. Any party's failure to object to the use of such factual stipulations with respect to the Court's determination of the Four Threshold Issues shall not be deemed a waiver on relevance and/or other evidentiary objections (including hearsay, privilege or other types of admissibility objections) with respect to the use of such factual stipulations (including without limitation the documents or testimony which support such factual stipulations) for any other purpose in any proceeding before the Bankruptcy Court, the Court in MDL 2543, any other court or tribunal, or otherwise.

Counsel for the Identified Parties agree that each may refer to the following categories of documents and/or pleadings in connection with the Court's determination of the Four Threshold Issues. All such documents speak for themselves.

- a. All pleadings, briefs, declarations, affidavits, orders, decisions, evidence admitted by the Bankruptcy Court, reports filed by the GUC Trust, and deposition and hearing transcripts in adversary proceedings or contested matters arising under, in, or related to the Old GM bankruptcy case, including without limitation, appeals of any decisions emanating from the Bankruptcy Court.
- b. All filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Old GM, New GM and the GUC Trust.
- c. All press releases issued by Old GM, New GM and the GUC Trust.
- d. The GUC Trust Agreement, and any amendments thereto.
- e. The complaints (and any amendments thereof) filed in the Ignition Switch Actions, and any pleadings filed with the United States District Court for the

Southern District of New York, 14-MD-2543 (JMF); 14-MC-2543 ("MDL Court").

f. Information contained on Bloomberg Financial with respect to the share price and trading volume of the GUC Trust Units, New GM stock and warrants.

Counsel for the Identified Parties also agree on the following definitions<sup>4</sup> for each of their Stipulations of Fact:

## ations of fact.

- a. "Ignition Switch" shall mean an ignition switch designed and/or sold by Old GM in the Subject Vehicles that may unintentionally move out of the "run" position, resulting in a partial loss of electrical power and turning off the engine. (Consent Order, In re TQ14-001, NHTSA Recall No. 14V-047 (Dep't of Transp., Nat'l Highway Safety Admin. Dated May 16, 2014 ("Consent Order") at 2, ¶¶5; Part 573 Defect Notice filed by New GM with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("NHTSA"), dated February 7, 2014.).
- b. "Subject Vehicles" are (1) 2005-2007 Chevrolet Cobalt and Pontiac G5, 2003-2007 Saturn Ion, 2006-2007 Chevrolet HHR, 2005-2006 Pontiac Pursuit (Canada), 2006-2007 Pontiac Solstice and 2007 Saturn Sky vehicles; and (2) 2008-2010 Pontiac Solstice and G5; 2008-2010 Saturn Sky; 2008-2010 Chevrolet Cobalt; and 2008-2011 Chevrolet HHR vehicles -- certain of the vehicles in this second category may have been repaired using a defective Ignition Switch that had been sold to dealers or aftermarket wholesalers. Statements about the Ignition Switch apply to the Subject Vehicles listed in the second category only to the extent that the Subject Vehicles were actually repaired using a defective Ignition Switch. (Part 573 Defect Notices filed by New GM with the NHTSA, dated February 7, 2014, February 24, 2014, and March 28, 2014, hereinafter "Feb. 7 Notice", "Feb. 24 Notice", and "March 28 Notice").

Attached to this document are (a) New GM's agreed-upon factual stipulations, and disputed factual stipulations (Exhibit "A"), (b) Designated Counsel/Groman Plaintiffs agreed-upon factual stipulations and Designated Counsel's disputed factual stipulations (Exhibit "B"), (C) Groman Plaintiffs' disputed factual stipulations (Exhibit "C"), and (D) the GUC Trust/Unitholders agreed-upon factual stipulations and disputed factual stipulations (Exhibit "D").

The definitions in these stipulations of fact are agreed to for the sole purpose of the Four Threshold Issues identified by the Bankruptcy Court in its Supplemental Scheduling Order. Counsel for the Identified Parties do not stipulate to the definitions set forth in these stipulations for any other purpose in either the Bankruptcy Court, in MDL 2543, or otherwise.

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# Exhibit A

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re : Chapter 11

MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY, et al., : Case No.: 09-50026 (REG)

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

Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

GENERAL MOTORS LLC'S AGREED-UPON STIPULATIONS OF FACT IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOUR THRESHOLD ISSUES IDENTIFIED IN THIS COURT'S JULY 11, 2014 SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULING ORDER<sup>1</sup>

Pursuant to this Court's Supplemental Scheduling Order, Dated July 11, 2014, Regarding (i) the Motion of General Motors LLC Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 and 363 to Enforce the Court's July 5, 2009 Sale Order and Injunction, (ii) the Objection Filed by Certain Plaintiffs in Respect Thereto, and (iii) Adversary Proceeding No. 14-01929 (the "Supplemental Scheduling Order"), General Motors LLC ("New GM"), hereby submits the following agreed-upon stipulations of fact concerning the Four Threshold Issues.

In addition, annexed hereto as Exhibit "1" are New GM's proposed stipulation of fact that have not been agreed to by the other Counsel for the Identified Parties, and annexed hereto as Exhibit "2" are New GM's responses to proposed stipulation of fact identified by other Counsel for the Identified Parties that have not been agreed to by New GM.

Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Supplemental Scheduling Order (as defined herein).

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#### AGREED-UPON STIPULATIONS OF FACT

- 1. In March 2009, the U.S. Government gave Old GM sixty days to submit a viable restructuring plan or, otherwise, Old GM would be forced to liquidate.
- 2. On June 1, 2009 ("Petition Date"), General Motors Corporation ("Old GM") and three of its direct and indirect subsidiaries, Saturn, LLC, n/k/a MLCS, LLC ("MLCS"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, n/k/a MLCS Distribution Corporation ("MLCS Distribution"), and Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem Inc., n/k/a MLC of Harlem, Inc. ("MLCS Harlem" and collectively with Old GM, MLCS, and MLCS Distribution, the "Debtors") commenced cases under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court" or "Court").
- 3. Frederick Henderson, former CEO of Old GM, testified as follows: "The U.S. Treasury, in late December 2008, provided the necessary financing to temporarily sustain Old GM's operations. The U.S. Treasury, however, provided such financing on the express condition that Old GM develop a business plan that would fundamentally transform Old GM (operationally and financially) into a viable and profitable American OEM capable of meeting the competitive and environmental challenges of the 21st century. Thereafter, in March 2009, the U.S. Treasury indicated that, if Old GM was unable to complete an effective out-of-court restructuring, it should consider a new, more aggressive viability plan under an expedited Court-supervised process to avoid erosion of asset value. After exploring numerous options, including seeking potential sources of financing (both public and private) and strategic alliances, it became evident that, in light of the ongoing economic crisis, Old GM would not be able to achieve an effective out-of-court restructuring, and the only viable option was the 363 Transaction." Affidavit of

Frederick A. Henderson Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 1007-2 ("Henderson Affidavit")

(Dkt. No. 21), ¶¶ 13-14.

- 4. This Court found in its Sale Decision, "[a]t the time that the U.S. Treasury first extended credit to GM, there was absolutely no other source of financing available. No party other than Treasury conveyed its willingness to loan funds to [Old] GM and thereby enable it to continue operating." Decision on Debtors' Motion for Approval of (1) Sale of Assets to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC; (2) Assumption and Assignment of Related Executory Contracts; and (3) Entry into UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement ("Sale Decision") (Dkt. No. 2967) Sale Decision, p. 8.
- 5. In a prior proceeding related to Old GM's bankruptcy, the Court found that, "it was the intent and structure of the 363 Sale, as agreed on by the [U.S. Treasury] and Old GM, that the New GM would start business with as few legacy liabilities as possible, and that presumptively, liabilities would be left behind and not assumed." See In re Motors Liquidation Co., 09-50026 REG, 2012 WL 1339496, at \*3 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Apr. 17, 2012) aff'd, 500 B.R. 333 (S.D.N.Y. 2013) ("Castillo Decision").
  - 6. This Court previously found in *Castillo* as follows:

Auto Task Force member Harry Wilson . . ., under cross-examination by objectors to the 363 Sale, testified that "[o]ur thinking [as] a commercial buyer of the assets that will constitute [New GM] was to assess what [l]iabilities were commercially necessary for the success of [New GM]." He later said "we're focused on which assets and which liabilities we needed for the success of New GM." And again: "We focused on which assets we wanted to buy and which liabilities were necessary for the commercial success of New GM. In short, by the end of the 363 Sale hearing it was clear not only to Old GM and Treasury, but also to the Court and to the public, that the goal of the 363 Sale was to pass on to Old GM's purchaser—what thereafter became New GM—only those liabilities that were commercially necessary to the success of New GM.

See Castillo Decision, at \*4.

- 7. On the Petition Date, Old GM filed the Sale Motion with the Bankruptcy Court.

  See Sale Motion.<sup>2</sup>
- 8. Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC (n/k/a New GM), the purchaser under the Sale Agreement, was not the movant under the Sale Motion. *Id*.
- 9. Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC was a United States Treasury-sponsored Delaware limited liability company formed on May 29, 2009. Sale Agreement, at 1.
- 10. At the time the Sale Motion was filed, Old GM was in possession of all of its books and records.
- 11. As of June 30, 2009, none of the Named Plaintiffs<sup>4</sup> in the Ignition Switch Actions had filed any court pleadings or otherwise commenced litigation (*i.e.*, asserting a claim or seeking a remedy based on economic loss, warranty, Lemon Law, *etc.*) against Old GM with respect to the defective Ignition Switch in a Subject Vehicle. Annexed hereto as Exhibit "3" is a list of all Named Plaintiffs known to New GM as of the date hereof.
- 12. As of June 30, 2009, none of the Named Plaintiffs in the Ignition Switch Actions had commenced litigation against Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC with respect to their Subject Vehicles.
- 13. AP Services, LLC ("APS") was retained by Old GM to provide interim management and restructuring services. See Motion Of The Debtors Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. § 363

The full title of the Sale Motion is Debtors' Motion Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 363(b), (f), (k), and (m), and 35 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002, 6004, and 6006, to (I) Approve (A) the Sale Pursuant to the Master Sale and Purchase Agreement with Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a U.S. Treasury-Sponsored Purchaser, Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Encumbrances, and Other Interests; (B) the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (C) Other Relief; and (II) Schedule Sale Approval Hearing ("Sale Motion") (Dkt. No. 92).

The full title of the Sale Agreement is Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement By and Among General Motors Corporation, Saturn LLC, Saturn Distribution Corporation and Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., as Sellers and NGMCO, Inc., as Purchaser (as amended, "Sale Agreement") (Dkt. No. 2968-1).

<sup>&</sup>quot;Named Plaintiffs" shall mean all of the plaintiffs named in the Ignition Switch Actions that are designated as a putative class representative or are listed as an individual plaintiff therein.

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For An Order Authorizing The Debtors To Employ And Retain AP Services, LLC As Crisis Managers And To Designate Albert A. Koch As Chief Restructuring Officer, Nunc Pro Tunc To The Petition Date, dated June 12, 2009 ("APS Application") (Dkt. No. 952).

- 14. The tasks assigned to APS by Old GM included overseeing "the administration of the Debtors' bankruptcy case, including compliance with bankruptcy court reporting requirements and the discharge of obligations of the Debtors pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code." *Id.* at 6.
- Albert Koch, vice chairman and managing director of AlixPartners LLP in June 2009, testified as follows: "Other members of the AlixPartners' team have been involved in assisting with preparations for the 363 sale, developing operating plans to acquire select U.S. locations of Delphi, contract review protocol, identifying dealers whose contracts would be transitioned to wind down agreements. assisting with the mechanics of preparing for a bankruptcy filing, working with the Treasurer's office to improve cash forecasting and other tasks that assisted Company employees to prepare for and execute the restructuring." Declaration of Albert Koch ("Koch Declaration") (Dkt. No. 435), at 4.
- 16. Old GM's bankruptcy counsel (Weil Gotshal & Manges ("WGM")), was retained to, among other things, (i) "prepare on behalf of the Debtors, as debtors in possession, all necessary motions, applications, answers, orders, reports, and other papers in connection with the administration of the Debtors' estates," (ii) "take all necessary action in connection with the" Sale Motion, and (iii) "perform all other necessary legal services in connection with the prosecution of these chapter 11 cases." See Application of the Debtors Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 327(a) and 328 (a) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2014(a) for Authority to Employ Weil, Gotshal &

Manges LLP as Attorneys for the Debtors, Nunc Pro Tunc to the Commencement Date, dated June 12, 2009 ("WGM Retention Application") (Dkt. No. 949), ¶ 8.

- 17. Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC did not decide which parties would receive direct mail notice of the Sale Motion or how notice would be provided.
- 18. In 2009, Old GM had a contract with R. L. Polk and Company that allowed it to obtain, for vehicle recall notification purposes, vehicle owner name and address information.
- 19. Old GM requested of the Bankruptcy Court that direct mail notice of the Sale Motion and the relief requested therein be served on the categories of individuals and entities listed on Exhibit "4" annexed hereto. See Sale Procedures Order, ¶ 9.5
- 20. No direct mail notice of the Sale Motion and the relief requested therein was sent (a) to the Ignition Switch Plaintiffs in their capacity as owners of Subject Vehicles, or (b) as a general matter, to a category of "owners of Old GM vehicles".
- 21. There are owners of Old GM vehicles that did receive direct mail notice of the Sale Motion because they were in another category of entities who did receive direct mail notice of the Sale Motion (i.e., as an equity security holder, contract counterparty, vendor, etc.), or someone may have otherwise given them the direct mail notice of the Sale Motion.
- 22. Old GM requested of the Bankruptcy Court, and the Bankruptcy Court approved, that notice of the relief requested in the Sale Motion be published, by June 5, 2009, or as soon as practicable thereafter (i) once in (a) the global edition of *The Wall Street Journal*, (b) the national edition of *The New York Times*, (c) the global edition of *The Financial Times*, (d) the national edition of *USA Today*, (e) *Detroit Free Press/Detroit News*, (f) *Le Journal de Montreal*, (g)

The full title of the Sale Procedures Order is Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 363, and 365 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002, 6004, and 6006 (I) Approving Procedures for Sale of Debtors' Assets Pursuant to Master Sale and Purchase Agreement with Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a U.S. Treasury-Sponsored Purchaser; (II) Scheduling Bid Deadline and Sale Hearing Date; (III) Establishing Assumption and Assignment Procedures; and (IV) Fixing Notice Procedures and Approving Form of Notice ("Sale Procedures Order") (Dkt. No. 274).

Montreal Gazette, (h) The Globe and Mail, and (i) The National Post, and (ii) on the website of the Debtors' proposed claims and noticing agent, The Garden City Group, Inc., at http://www.gmcourtdocs.com (the "Publication Notice"). See Sale Motion, at 25; Sale Procedures Order, at 8.

- 23. The Publication Notice did occur on or before June 11, 2009 in each newspaper identified in the preceding paragraph. The Garden City Group posted the notice of the Sale Motion on its public website as required by the Sale Procedures Order. *See Certificate of Publication*, filed by The Garden City Group ("Cert. of Publication") (Dkt. No. 2757); Sale Procedures Order, at 8.
  - 24. The Sale Procedures Order was not appealed.
- 25. Neither the direct mail notice nor the Publication Notice sent in connection with the Sale Motion discussed the Ignition Switch or most liabilities or potential liabilities of Old GM.
- 26. Under the Sale Agreement, either Old GM or Vehicles Acquisition Holdings LLC, the purchaser sponsored by the U.S. Treasury, could terminate the Sale Agreement if certain deadlines were not met. Sale Agreement, § 8.1.
- 27. Under the Sale Agreement, either the sellers or purchaser could terminate the Sale Agreement if the Bankruptcy Court did not enter an order approving the sale by July 10, 2009. Sale Agreement, § 8.1.
- 28. No qualified party other than Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC sought to purchase the assets of Old GM. See Sale Decision, at 15, 39; Sale Order and Injunction, at 5.6

The full title of the Sale Order and Injunction is Order (I) Authorizing Sale of Assets Pursuant to Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement with NGMCO, Inc., a U.S. Treasury-Sponsored Purchaser; (II) Authorizing Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases in Connection with the Sale; and (III) Granting Related Relief ("Sale Order and Injunction") (Dkt. No. 2968).

- 29. The Court found in its Sale Decision and Sale Order and Injunction that, if the Sale Agreement was terminated and the 363 Sale to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC had not taken place, Old GM would have liquidated its assets. *See* Sale Decision, at 23; Sale Order and Injunction, at 5.
- 30. The Court found in its Sale Decision and Sale Order and Injunction that, if the Sale Agreement was terminated and the 363 Sale to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC had not taken place, Old GM would not have been able to continue in business. *See* Sale Order and Injunction, at 5.
- 31. Numerous objections and responses to the Sale Motion were filed with the Bankruptcy Court. See Omnibus Reply.<sup>7</sup>
- 32. Among the objections to the Sale Motion were objections filed by (i) The Personal Injury Claimants<sup>8</sup> and entities and/or groups (as described in paragraph 36 below); (ii) the Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims; (iii) the States' Attorneys General; and (iv) the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors ("Creditors Committee").
- 33. The Creditors Committee was comprised of 15 members, including workers, suppliers, dealers, tort creditors, and other unsecured creditors of Old GM. See Appointment of Committee of Unsecured Creditors ("Appt. of Creditors Committee") (Dkt. No. 356).
- 34. The Creditors Committee is statutorily charged with representing the interests of all unsecured creditors.

The full title of the Omnibus Reply is Debtors to Objections to Debtors' Motion Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 363(b), (f), (k), and (m) and 365 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002, 6004, and 6006, to Approve (A) the Sale Pursuant to the Master Sale and Purchase Agreement with Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, A U.S. Treasury-Sponsored Purchaser, Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Encumbrances, and Other Interests; (B) the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (C) Other Relief ("Omnibus Reply") (Dkt. No. 2645).

The Personal Injury Claimants were Callan Campbell, Kevin Junso, et al., Edwin Agosto, Kevin Chadwick, et al., and Joseph Berlingieri.

- 35. Three of the Creditors Committee's members (Genoveva Bermudez, Mark Buttita, and Kevin Schoenl) were tort claimants or representatives of tort claimants. *See id.*; Creditors Committee, at 5.
- 36. The following entities and/or groups, among others, filed an objection to the Sale Motion, and described themselves in their objection as follows:
  - a. The Center for Auto Safety says that it is a non-profit consumer advocacy organization that, among other things, works for strong federal safety standards to protect drivers and passengers. The Center states that it was founded in 1970 to provide consumers a voice for auto safety and quality in Washington, DC, and to help "lemon" owners fight back across the country. The Center claims to advocate for auto safety before the Department of Transportation and in the courts.
  - b. Consumer Action says that it is a national non-profit education and advocacy organization serving more than 9,000 community-based organizations with training, educational modules, and multi-lingual consumer publications since 1971. Consumer Action claims to serve consumers nationwide by advancing consumer rights in the fields of credit, banking, housing, privacy, insurance, and utilities.
  - c. Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety ("CARS") states that it is a national, award-winning non-profit auto safety and consumer advocacy organization dedicated to preventing motor vehicle-related fatalities, injuries, and economic losses. CARS claims to have worked to enact legislation to protect the public and successfully petitioned the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for promulgation of regulations to improve protections for consumers.
  - d. National Association of Consumer Advocates ("NACA") is a non-profit association of attorneys and advocates who claims that its primary focus is the protection and representation of consumers. NACA's stated mission is to promote justice for all consumers by maintaining a forum for communication, networking, and information sharing among consumer advocates across the country, particularly regarding legal issues, and by serving as a voice for its members and consumers in the ongoing struggle to curb unfair or abusive business practices that affect consumers.
  - e. **Public Citizen**, a consumer advocacy organization, that claims to be nonpartisan. It is a non-profit group founded in 1971 with members

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nationwide. Public Citizen claims to advocate before Congress, administrative agencies, and the courts for strong and effective health and safety regulation, and also claims to have a long history of advocacy on matters related to auto safety. In addition, through litigation and lobbying, Public Citizen states that it works to preserve consumers' access to statelaw remedies for injuries caused by consumer products, such as state product liability laws.

Objection to the Sale Motion filed by Personal Injury Claimants and Consumer Advocacy Groups (Dkt. No. 2041), at 4-5.

- 37. The Center for Auto Safety, Consumer Action, Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety, National Association of Consumer Advocates, and Public Citizen claimed to be non-profit organizations that work to protect consumers, including consumers who would be affected by Old GM's bankruptcy case. *See id.* at 4.
- 38. The Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims claimed to represent more than 300 members who each had product liability tort claims involving personal injuries against Old GM. See Objection to the Sale Motion filed by the Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims (Dkt. No. 1997), at 2.
- 39. Counsel for the entities or groups identified in paragraph 36 above, the Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims, the States' Attorneys General, and the Creditors Committee all appeared at and at least certain of them participated in the Sale Hearing. *See* Transcript of 363 Sale Hearing held on June 30, 2009; Transcript of 363 Sale Hearing held on July 1, 2009; Transcript of 363 Sale Hearing held on July 2, 2009.
- 40. Arguments were raised in connection with the Sale Motion by, among others, the consumer advocacy groups, the Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims, the States' Attorneys General and/or the Creditors Committee. *See* Objection to the Sale Motion filed by the Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims; Objections to the Sale Motion filed by the States Attorneys

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General (Dkt. No. 1928 and 2043); Objection to the Sale Motion filed by Personal Injury Claimants and Consumer Advocacy Groups; Objection to the Sale Motion filed by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (Dkt. No. 2362).

- 41. The States' Attorneys General raised arguments against the 363 Sale. See Objections to the Sale Motion filed by the States Attorneys General, at 10-14.
- 42. After the Petition Date, representatives of Old GM, the U.S. Treasury, the Creditors Committee, and the States Attorneys General negotiated various provisions of the Sale Agreement. As a result of these negotiations, Old GM and the U.S. Treasury agreed on certain modifications to the Sale Agreement. As stated by counsel for the Attorneys General: "We have worked very hard since the beginning of the case with debtors' counsel initially, with Treasury counsel, almost everybody in this room at some point or another, it feels like. And I think a great number of improvements have been made in this agreement over that time period. The first was the assumption of the future product liability claims. Obviously, we -- you know, in a perfect world, we would not be distinguishing between those two categories, but certainly that's better than none of them. And it certainly goes a ways to addressing issues that were raised by the state Attorney Generals." Sale Hearing Transcript, July 2, 2009, 194. Counsel for the Attorneys General stated further: "We also wanted to be sure that lemon laws were covered under the notion of warranty claims, but they did not specifically refer to state lemon laws, and that coverage is being picked up." Id. at 196. This Court also found as follows: "Significantly also, the AG concerns resulted in one change in the game plan—assumption of liabilities under Lemon Laws—but no others, and the Lemon Laws change was made expressly." Castillo Decision, at \*13.

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- 43. This Court further found that, around this same time, "[t]he AGs urged in argument before the Court that New GM take on liabilities broader than those that would be undertaken under the Sale Agreement as initially proposed—including implied warranties, additional express warranties, statutory warranties, and obligations under Lemon Laws." Castillo Decision, at \*5. The U.S. Treasury and Old GM declined to amend the Sale Agreement to assume these types of liabilities (except for Lemon Laws, as defined the Sale Agreement). See id.
- 44. The Personal Injury Claimants and the consumer advocacy groups argued at the 363 Sale hearing, *inter alia*, that New GM should assume broader warranty-related claims and that New GM should not be shielded from successor liability claims. *See* Transcript of 363 Sale Hearing held on July 1, 2009, at 295-324.
- 45. The Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims objected to the 363 Sale, arguing, among other things, that, "knowing that it is seeking an order which would eliminate tort claims, GM has continued to advertise and sell GM vehicles without advising unwitting consumers that it is seeking to bar future claims for injuries arising from defects in vehicles sold before the closing." See Objection to the Sale Motion filed by the Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims, at ¶ 38.
- 46. In another objection, it was argued: "GM's attempt to enjoin successor liability claims against the Purchaser must be denied because it violates applicable law, notice, and due process requirements." Objection to the Sale Motion filed by Personal Injury Claimants and Consumer Advocacy Groups, ¶ 18; see also id. ("A sale of GM's assets 'free and clear' of future tort and product liability claims violates due process because people who have not yet suffered injury from defects in GM vehicles do not know that they will be injured in the future cannot be

given meaningful notice of that their rights are being adjudicated or a meaningful opportunity to be heard.").

- 47. Representatives from the U.S. Treasury declined to make further changes to the Sale Agreement with respect to Assumed Liabilities and Retained Liabilities (as such terms are defined in the Sale Agreement). See Castillo Decision, \*5-7.
- 48. The hearing on the Sale Motion took place before the Bankruptcy Court on June 30, 2009, July 1, 2009 and July 2, 2009.
- 49. Old GM presented evidence to the Court in connection with the hearing on the Sale Motion.
- 50. According to the Court's Sale Decision, if Old GM liquidated its assets in 2009, unsecured creditors would have received nothing from the Old GM bankruptcy estate. See Sale Decision, at 3.
- 51. As of March 31, 2009, Old GM had consolidated reported global assets and liabilities of approximately \$82,290,000,000 and \$172,810,000,000, respectively. See Henderson Affidavit, ¶ 101; Sale Decision, at 5.
- 52. According to the Court's Sale Decision, as of the Petition Date, if Old GM liquidated its assets, its liquidation asset value would be less than 10% of \$82 billion. Sale Decision, at 5.
- 53. According to the Court's Sale Decision, the consideration transferred by New GM to Old GM under the Sale Agreement as of the closing date of the 363 Sale was estimated to be worth not less than \$45 billion, plus the value of equity interests in New GM. Sale Decision, at 18.

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- 54. No specific contingent liabilities were identified in the Sale Motion or in any trial exhibits used during the Sale Hearing. *See generally* Sale Motion; Transcript of 363 Sale Hearing held on June 30, 2009; Transcript of 363 Sale Hearing held on July 1, 2009; Transcript of 363 Sale Hearing held on July 2, 2009.
- 55. Objectors to the 363 Sale presented evidence at the Sale Hearing that the book value of certain contingent liabilities was approximately \$934 million. See Sale Decision, at 21; Transcript of Sale Hearing, June 30, 2009, at 157-159.
- 56. On July 10, 2009, each of the Debtors consummated a sale of substantially all of its assets in a transaction under Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "363 Sale") to an acquisition vehicle, NGMCO, Inc. (as successor in interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC), pursuant to the Sale Agreement, and (ii) the Sale Order and Injunction. Following the 363 Sale, Old GM changed its name to Motors Liquidation Company ("MLC") and the acquisition vehicle later became New GM.
- 57. The New GM Common Stock and both series of New GM Warrants (collectively, the "New GM Securities") are currently listed on the New York Stock Exchange.
- New GM and the Debtors further agreed that New GM would provide additional consideration if the aggregate amount of allowed general unsecured claims against the Debtors exceed \$35 billion. (See Sale Agreement, § 3.2(c)). In that event, New GM will be required to issue additional shares of New GM Common Stock for the benefit of the GUC Trust's beneficiaries. (See id.). The number of additional shares of New GM Common Stock to be issued will be equal to the number of such shares, rounded up to the next whole share, calculated by multiplying (i) 30 million shares (adjusted to take into account any stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, reorganization or similar

transaction with respect to such New GM Common Stock from and after the closing of the 363 Sale and before issuance of additional shares) and (ii) a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is the amount by which allowed general unsecured claims exceed \$35 billion (such excess amount being capped at \$7 billion) and (B) the denominator of which is \$7 billion." (See Motors Liquidation Company GUC Trust Quarterly GUC Trust Reports as of September 30, 2013 at 6).

- 59. At the time the 363 Sale was approved, Old GM had not filed its schedules of assets and liabilities with the Court.
- 60. At the time the 363 Sale was approved, there was no deadline or bar date for general unsecured creditors to file proofs of claim.
- 61. The Plaintiffs in the Ignition Switch Actions are not parties under the Sale Agreement.
- 62. The Personal Injury Claimants objected to and appealed the Sale Order and Injunction. See Campbell v. Motors Liquidation Co. (In re Motors Liquidation Co.), 428 B.R. 43 (S.D.N.Y. 2010) (Buchwald, J.).
- 63. The Sale Order and Injunction was upheld on appeal by two different District Court Judges. See id.; Parker v. Motors Liquidation Co. (In re Motors Liquidation Co.), 430 B.R. 65 (S.D.N.Y. 2010) (Sweet, J.).
- 64. While the appellants in *Campbell* originally sought to appeal the Sale Order and Injunction to the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, that appeal was subsequently withdrawn by the parties to the appeal pursuant to a stipulation so-ordered on September 23,

See Second Amendment to Sale Agreement, Section 2(r) (amending Section 3.2(c) of the Sale Agreement) ("Sellers may, at any time, seek an Order of the Bankruptcy Court ... estimating the aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates ... [and if] the Bankruptcy Court makes a finding that the estimated allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates exceed \$35,000,000,000, then Purchaser will ... issue additional shares of Common Stock ...."). While the Sale Agreement initially provided for the issuance of up to 10,000,000 additional shares, this number has subsequently been adjusted for the three-for-one split of New GM Common Stock. (See Disclosure Statement for Debtors' Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan, at 16-17 n.2 (Dkt. No. 8023).

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2010. In addition, while the appellant in *Parker* originally sought to appeal the Sale Order and Injunction to the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, that appeal was subsequently dismissed by the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit on July 28, 2011 on equitable mootness grounds for appellant's failure to seek a stay of the Sale Order and Injunction. *See Parker v. Motors Liquidation Company*, Case No. 10-4882-bk (2d Cir. July 28, 2011). There were no further appeals of the Sale Order and Injunction.

- 65. On December 15, 2011 (the "Dissolution Date"), as required by the Plan, MLC filed its certificate of dissolution. (See Form 10-K Annual Report for Motors Liquidation Company GUC Trust for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014, filed May 22, 2014 ("GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K") at 3). Pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption Agreement (GUC Trust), dated that same day, Old GM assigned to the GUC Trust certain assets and agreements, and the GUC Trust assumed certain obligations of Old GM. See Assignment and Assumption Agreement (GUC Trust), § 1.
- 66. All of the Ignition Switch Actions include vehicles and/or parts designed and manufactured by Old GM.
- 67. None of the Ignition Switch Actions seek repairs of Old GM vehicles under the Glove Box Warranty.
- 68. None of the claims asserted in the Ignition Switch Actions constitute claims under Lemon Laws as defined by the Sale Agreement (as contrasted with state law definitions of lemon laws).

# Exhibit 1

#### EXHIBIT "1"

# NEW GM'S PROPOSED STIPULATIONS OF FACT NOT AGREED TO BY OTHER COUNSEL FOR THE IDENTIFIED PARTIES

- 1. On the Petition Date, Old GM's general ledger, and other corporate books and records listing Old GM's liabilities, did not list any Plaintiffs in the Ignition Switch Actions as having a claim or liability owed to them by Old GM relating to the defective Ignition Switches in the Subject Vehicles.
- 2. New GM did not sell a vehicle with a defective Ignition Switch, nor did it sell defective Ignition Switches to be used as repair parts.
- 3. After the expiration of the Bar Date established by the Bankruptcy Court for general unsecured creditors to file claims against the Debtors (*i.e.*, November 30, 2009), certain claimants filed late proofs of claim in the Debtors' bankruptcy case, and some of those claims became allowed claims against the Debtors.
- 4. As of June 30, 2009, none of the Named Plaintiffs in the Ignition Switch Actions had filed any court pleadings or otherwise commenced litigation (i.e., asserting a claim or seeking a remedy based on economic loss, warranty, Lemon Law, etc.) against Old GM with respect to their Subject Vehicle.
- 5. In 2009, approximately 75 million Old GM vehicles were in use in the United States.
- 6. Old GM's noticing agent, the Garden City Group ("GCG"), provided direct mail notice of the 363 Sale to approximately 4 million persons and entities in June 2009. See Certificate of Service, filed by The Garden City Group ("Sale Motion Notice") (Dkt. No. 973).

# Exhibit 2

#### EXHIBIT "2"

## NEW GM'S RESPONSES TO PROPOSED STIPULATIONS OF FACT BY OTHER COUNSEL FOR THE IDENTIFIED PARTIES NOT AGREED TO BY NEW GM

### A. New GM's Responses to Designated Counsel's Proposed Facts To Which New GM Does Not Stipulate

1. On November 19, 2004, Old GM personnel opened a Problem Resolution Tracking System report to address a complaint at a press event that a Subject Vehicle could be "keyed off with knee while driving. This was the first of six reports opened between 2004 and 2009 in connection with moving stalls in the Cobalt." (V.R. at 63). As part of the November 19, 2004 Problem Resolution Tracking System investigation, Old GM engineers suggested solutions to address the complaint that the ignition could be "keyed off with knee while driving," and presented them to the Current Production Improvement Team. (V.R. at 64-68).

NEW GM RESPONSE: The Stipulation is incomplete. The Valukas Report also says: "As a critical decision point, the problem described in the November 19, 2004 PRTS was assigned a severity level of 3 - on a scale of 1 (most severe) to 4 (least severe)." (V.R. at 63). The Valukas Report describes the severity levels as follows: "After identifying the issue, the originator of a PRTS selects a severity level for the problem. The severity level is a significant factor in the priority given to a PRTS report, with more severe issues addressed more urgently. The originator selects the severity level from a drop-down menu that includes brief descriptions of four options, which, during the relevant time period, were:

- Code 1: Possibly Safety I Regulatory Issues I Walk Home I No Build
- Code 2: Major Issues- an issue that would cause the customer to immediately return the vehicle to the dealership or cause excessive cost or labor impact at the assembly plant
- Code 3: Moderate Issues fix on the next trip to dealership or cause moderate cost or labor impact at the assembly plant
- Code 4: Annoyance / Continuous Improvement" (V.R. at 41-42).
- 2. As Old GM's Program Engineering Manager for the Chevrolet Cobalt when it was launched, Gary Altman would have been present at Current Production Improvement Team and Vehicle and Process Integration Review meetings in which possible solutions were presented to address reports that drivers had inadvertently turned off the ignition switch in Cobalt vehicles by hitting their knees against the key or key fob. (V.R. at 63-67).

- **NEW GM RESPONSE**: This is not a fact and is speculation. It is also not supported by the Valukas Report. The Report does not state that Gary Altman attended or possibly attended meetings.
- 3. A May 2007 case evaluation, by Old GM's outside counsel, of an accident in a 2004 Saturn Ion in which the airbag failed to deploy despite the fact that the vehicle went off the road, traveled through a brush line and struck a tree head on, resulting in one fatality and one severe injury, was deemed "unusual." "In discussing the technical issues in the case, outside counsel explained that, given the severity of the impact, the airbag non-deployment 'must be' attributable to power loss." (V.R. at 124-125).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE**: The reference in the response which relates to what "outside counsel explained" should not have been cited because of the attorney client/work-product privileges.
- 4. A January 2008 second evaluation by Old GM outside counsel of a non-deployment case involving a Subject Vehicle hitting a tree concluded that "[t]he impact with the tree was clearly severe enough to warrant deployment of the vehicle's airbags. As a result, from a technical standpoint, there is a potential problem with the non-deployment, which was originally attributed to a pre-collision power loss." While outside counsel and Old GM Field Performance Assessment Engineer Manuel Peace thought the non-deployment event was not caused by a power loss, outside counsel concluded that "it was likely 'that a jury will find that the vehicle was defective' [and] GM eventually settled the case in 2008." (V.R. at 129-30).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE:** The reference in the response which relates to what "outside counsel concluded" should not have been cited because of the attorney client/work-product privileges. The stipulation is also incomplete. The Valukas Report also states: "After further analysis of the accident sequence and information in the SDM download it appears that the non-deployment was not caused by a power loss but by some error in the SDM which caused it to misinterpret this significant crash as a non-deployment event." (V.R. at 129-30).
- 5. In March 2009, Old GM CEO Rick Wagoner had a "back-up" slide of a slide deck that included a reference to the Cobalt's inadvertent shut-off issue, that was presented at a meeting of the Vehicle Program Review team. That slide, in a 72-page slide presentation, described a proposed change in the Cobalt's key design from a slot to a hole. The slide deck was found in the data collected from Wagoner's computer from March 2009. (V.R. at 245).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE**: The Stipulation is incomplete. The Valukas Report goes on to state as follows: "The back-up slide focused solely on warranty cost reduction and did not characterize the matter as a safety issue or mention airbag non-deployment, accidents or fatalities. Wagoner does not recollect reviewing any part of the slide deck." (V.R. at 245). After going through the background of the slide deck and investigating whether

Wagoner was informed of its contents, the Valukas Report states as follows: "There is no forensic evidence that Wagoner reviewed any specific slide within the presentation. As noted, Wagoner does not recollect viewing the presentation or the back-up slides; about three weeks later, on March 29, 2009, Wagoner agreed to resign as CEO at the request of the U.S. government's Auto Task Force. Contemporaneous e-mails he exchanged with the person who provided the summary notes of the meeting do not mention the Cobalt issue or any other specific topic." (V.R. at 247).

- 6. In furtherance of Old GM's admitted culture of avoiding responsibility, an Old GM 2008 Q1 Interior Technical Learning Symposium presentation provided examples of comments and phrases employees should avoid using in reports:
  - i. "This is a lawsuit waiting to happen . . ."; "unbelievable engineering screw up . . . "; "this is a safety and security issue . . ."; "scary for the customer . . . "; "kids and wife panicking over the situation . . . "; "i believe the wheels are too soft and weak and could cause serious problems. . . ."; "dangerous . . . Almost cause accident."
  - ii. The Old GM Symposium presentation also stated that documents used for reports and presentations should only concern engineering results, facts, and judgments. Some examples of words or phrases that are to be avoided are: always (emphasis in original), annihilate, apocalyptic, bad, Band- Aid, big time, brakes like an "X" car, cataclysmic, catastrophic, Challenger, chaotic, Cobain, condemns, Corvair-like, crippling, critical, dangerous, deathtrap, debilitating, decapitating, defect (emphasis in original), defective, detonate, disemboweling, enfeebling, evil, eviscerated, explode, failed, failure, flawed, genocide, ghastly, grenadelike, grisly, gruesome, Hindenburg, Hobbling, Horrific, impaling, inferno, Kevorkianesque, lacerating, life –threatening, maiming, malicious, mangling, maniacal, mutilating, never (emphasis in original), potentially-disfiguring, powder keg, problem, rolling sarcophagus (tomb or coffin), safety, safety related, serious, spontaneous combustion, startling, suffocating, suicidal, terrifying, Titanic, tomblike, unstable, widow-maker, words or phrases with biblical connotation, you're toast.

**NEW GM RESPONSE:** This is an exhibit to the NHTSA Consent Order. The Stipulation is incomplete. The presentation also states:

"In a corporation the size of GM, writing is in many cases the only way to communicate globally because of time changes, number of people involved, etc.

- Write "smart."
  - -Be factual, not fantastic, in your writing.

- When identifying product risks, make sure they are addressed and closed out.
- Our writing must always be based only on fact, without judgmental adjectives and speculation.
- Understand that there really aren't any secrets in this company.
  - For anything you say or do, ask yourself how you would react if it was reported in a major newspaper or on television.
- Don't be cute or clever.
  - -The words you choose could be taken out of context to suggest you meant something much worse than what was intended.
  - -This may be especially easy to do in an e-mail, when there might be a temptation to use a casual tone to describe a potentially serious safety risk."

In addition, the lead in to the list set forth in (i) is: "Examples of comments that do not help identify and solve problems."

Also, the lead in to (ii) is as follows: "Documents used for reports and presentations should contain only engineering results, facts, and judgments. These documents should not contain speculations, opinions, vague non descriptive words, or words with emotional connotations. Some examples of words or phrases that are to be avoided are . . . ."

The Valukas Report also states: "Leadership at GM has tried to counter this culture with clear messages that employees should raise issues. 'Winning With Integrity' (the code of conduct) instructs employees to raise problems (although it does not explicitly reference vehicle safety) and ensure they receive proper attention, and to conduct themselves with the highest ethical standards." (V.R. at 255). The Valukas Report goes on to state that the author of the presentation used the phrases and words "as an attempt at humor," and that "[t]he employee who presented the training was later told by a lawyer who saw a version of this training to remove the slide listing words never to be used." (V.R. at 254 and n. 1156).

7. "In addition to being trained on how to write, a number of GM employees reported that they did not take notes at all critical safety meetings because they believed GM lawyers did not want such notes taken." (V.R. at 254).

**NEW GM RESPONSE:** The Stipulation is incomplete. The Valukas Report also states: "No witness was able to identify a lawyer who gave such an instruction, no lawyer

reported having given such an instruction, and we have found no documents ore-mails reflecting such an instruction."

## B. New GM's Responses to Groman Plaintiffs' Proposed Facts To Which New GM Does Not Stipulate<sup>10</sup>

1. During his employment, William Kemp reported to the General Counsel of GM North America. (V.R. at 104).

<u>NEW GM RESPONSE</u>: This assertion is vague. The Valukas Report discusses this person's role at the time the Report was written, and not for the entire time during the person's career as the stipulation suggests.

2. During his employment, Larry Buonomo reported to the General Counsel of GM North America. (V.R. at 104).

**NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is vague. The Valukas Report discusses this person's role at the time the Report was written, and not for the entire time during the person's career as the stipulation suggests.

3. When the ignition switch is turned to Accessory or Off, a Subject Vehicle would lose power brakes. (V.R. at 25).

**NEW GM RESPONSE:** The loss of power brakes under these circumstances would not happen immediately. This is a matter of engineering and has been confirmed by New GM engineers.

4. In 2003, Old GM became aware of Saturn customer complaints about intermittent engine stalls while driving. (V.R. at 54).

**NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is incomplete. The Valukas Report goes on to state: "Witnesses recalled that the vast majority of claims concerning the Ion involved

In the evening on Thursday, August 7, 2014 – the night before the agreed upon stipulations of fact were due to be delivered to the Court and hours after New GM received a list of proposed stipulations of fact not agreed to and which New GM herein responds, the Groman Plaintiffs sent the other Counsel for the Identified Parties (including New GM) an additional 87 proposed stipulations of fact that have not been agreed to. Until that time, New GM believed that all of the other Counsel for the Identified Parties (including the Groman Plaintiffs) had already delivered their disputed stipulations of fact. New GM has not had an appropriate opportunity to respond to the Groman Plaintiffs' new list of disputed stipulated facts.

- complaints of 'no crank/no start' problems, which arose from electrical, rather than mechanical, problems with the Ignition Switch." (V.R. at 54).
- 5. In October 2003, a Field Performance Report, 3101/2003/US, lists 65 Ion stalls and states: "Customers comment of intermittent stall while driving. In most cases, there are no trouble codes associated with the stall." This Field Performance Report lists a vehicle with 15 miles as the youngest vehicle affected. (V.R. at 54-55).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is incomplete. Some of the stalls were due to "heavy key chains." (V.R. at 54). In addition, the October 2003 Field Performance Report "was canceled in January 2004 for the purported reason that a different report already resolved the issue." (V.R. at 55)
- 6. Before 2008, a handful of Old GM engineers other than Raymond DeGiorgio also received information describing the change to the Ignition Switch for the model year 2008 Chevrolet Cobalt, including four engineers who received a June 30, 2006 email from Delphi to DeGiorgio stating that the detent plunger had been changed "to increase torque forces to be within specification." (V.R. 102).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is incomplete. The Valukas Report goes on to states that these engineers were "in other departments" and "were not involved in the investigations that ensued in the coming years, nor did they hold a position, like DeGiorgio's, with responsibility for the Ignition Switch." (V.R. at 102 n.417).
- 7. When first told of the Ignition Switch Defect in or about March 2005, Steven Oakley formed the view that the Ignition Switch Defect was a safety issue. (V.R. at 76).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is unsupported. The Valukas Report goes on to state that "Gary Altman, the PEM for the Cobalt program team, and other engineers told him [Oakley] it was not (safety issue), and he deferred to them. (V.R. at 76). This portion of the Valukas Report discusses Oakley's review of an event wherein the driver's knee contacted the key fob. The problem did not occur when the fob was removed from the key. Oakley assigned the incident with the lowest rating (4) "annoyance or continuous improvement." (V.R. at 76).
- 8. In or about November 15, 2004, one individual was killed and another was severely injured in a crash involving a 2004 Saturn Ion where the airbags did not deploy. (V.R. at 124). Manuel Peace, an Old GM engineer who assisted Old GM's legal department in evaluating cases, did a case evaluation for this incident. (V.R. 124). In his case evaluation, Peace stated he had never seen a situation like this where the airbags did not deploy, and that the best explanation for why the airbags did not deploy was that the vehicle lost power. (V.R. at 125)

- **NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is incomplete. The Valukas Report notes that neither individual was wearing their seatbelts at the time of the accident. In addition, the Report states that "Peace, however, had not determined precisely how the vehicle lost power.... Peace does not recall the case or what he did to investigate it." (V.R. at 125).
- 9. At some point between 2007 and the commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, John Sprague and the Field Performance Assessment team observed a pattern of airbag non-deployments in Cobalts and Ions. (V.R. at 9, 118-19, 134).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is unsupported. The Valukas Report does not say that John Sprague or anyone else noticed a "pattern of airbag non-deployments," but instead that the FPA team in 2009 " had not realized that the observed pattern of non-deployments could have been caused by a change in power mode signal that disabled airbag sensors." (V.R. at 134-135).
- 10. At the time John Sprague and Brian Everest met with Continental, Sprague and Everest knew that the rotation of the ignition switch from Run to Accessory or Off could cause the Sensing and Diagnostic Module to receive a power mode message of Accessory or Off. (V.R. at 135).
  - **NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is unsupported. The Valukas Report does not state that Sprague and Everest knew. (V.R. at 135).
- 11. At or about the time of the meeting with Continental in May 2009, Brian Everest and John Sprague had spoken with members of Old GM's Product Investigations group about the non-deployment of airbags in Cobalts. (V.R. at 135).
  - NEW GM RESPONSE: This assertion is unsupported and incomplete. The Valukas Report states that: "Before receiving the Continental report, Everest and Sprague explained, the FPA team had not realized that the observed pattern of Cobalt non-deployments could have been caused by a change of power mode signal that disabled airbag sensors." It goes on to state that Sprague gathered further information, and the engineers first focused their attention on the vehicles electric system. It was in this context that Sprague and Everest spoke to the engineering team about the non-deployment issue.

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12. Joseph Taylor, an Old GM Program Quality Manager who administered the Captured Test Fleet program for the Chevrolet Cobalt drove a 2005 Cobalt test vehicle and personally experienced moving stalls with the Cobalt. (V.R. at 58).

**NEW GM RESPONSE:** This assertion is incomplete. The Valukas Report goes on to state that Taylor did not recall any Capture Test Fleet ("CTF") "reports of Ignition Switch or stalling issues for the Cobalt, either during the initial 2004 CTF or in subsequent model years." (V.R. at 58.) It further states that Taylor did not report the stalling instances in his CTF Reports "because he did not regard them as significant." "Taylor, like many other GM engineers, did not regard stalling as a safety issue." (V.R. at 59).

# Exhibit 3

# IN RE NEW GM VIS LITIGATION EXHIBIT 3 - 358 NAMED PLAINTIFFS KNOWN TO NEW GM

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#### Exhibit 4

#### EXHIBIT "4"

#### INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES WHO RECEIVED DIRECT MAIL NOTICE OF THE 363 SALE

- (i) the attorneys for the U.S. Treasury,
- (ii) the attorneys for Export Development Canada,
- (iii) the attorneys for the agent under the Debtors' pre-petition secured term loan agreement,
- (iv) the attorneys for the agent under the Debtors' pre-petition amended and restated secured revolving credit agreement,
- (v) the attorneys for the statutory committee of unsecured creditors appointed in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases (the "Creditors Committee") (if no statutory committee of unsecured creditors has been appointed, the holders of the fifty largest unsecured claims against the Debtors on a consolidated basis),
- (vi) the attorneys for the UAW,
- (vii) the attorneys for the International Union of Electronic, Electrical, Salaried, Machine and Furniture Workers—Communications Workers of America,
- (viii) the United States Department of Labor,
- (ix) the attorneys for the National Automobile Dealers Association,
- (x) the attorneys for the ad hoc bondholders committee,
- (xi) any party who, in the past three years, expressed in writing to the Debtors an interest in the Purchased Assets and who the Debtors and their representatives reasonably and in good faith determine potentially have the financial wherewithal to effectuate the transaction contemplated in the MPA,
- (xii) non-Debtor parties to the Assumable Executory Contracts,
- (xiii) all parties who are known to have asserted any lien, claim, encumbrance, or interest in or on the Purchased Assets,
- (xiv) the Securities and Exchange Commission,
- (xv) the Internal Revenue Service,
- (xvi) all applicable state attorneys general, local environmental enforcement agencies, and local regulatory authorities,
- (xvii) all applicable state and local taxing authorities,
- (xviii) the Federal Trade Commission,
- (xix) all applicable state attorneys general,
- (xx) United States Attorney General/Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice,
- (xxi) the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and similar state agencies,
- (xxii) the United States Attorney's Office,
- (xxiii) all dealers with current agreements for the sale or leasing of GM brand vehicles,
- (xxiv) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York,
- (xxv) all entities that requested notice in these chapter 11 cases under Bankruptcy Rule 2002,
- (xxvi) all other known creditors, and
- (xxvii) all equity security holders of the Debtors of record as of May 27, 2009.

#### Exhibit B

#### COUNSEL FOR THE PARTIES ARE LISTED IN THE SIGNATURE BLOCK

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In re : Chapter 11

MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY, et al., : Case No.: 09-50026 (REG)

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

Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

CERTAIN PLAINTIFFS, THROUGH DESIGNATED COUNSEL, AND THE *GROMAN* PLAINTIFFS' AGREED-UPON STIPULATIONS OF FACT IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOUR THRESHOLD ISSUES IDENTIFIED IN THIS COURT'S JULY 11, 2014 SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULING ORDER<sup>1</sup>

Pursuant to this Court's Supplemental Scheduling Order, Dated July 11, 2014, Regarding (i) the Motion of General Motors LLC Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 and 363 to Enforce the Court's July 5, 2009 Sale Order and Injunction, (ii) the Objection Filed by Certain Plaintiffs in Respect Thereto, and (iii) Adversary Proceeding No. 14-01929 (the "Supplemental Scheduling Order"), Certain Plaintiffs, through Designated Counsel, and the Groman Plaintiffs (hereinafter "Plaintiffs") hereby submit the following agreed-upon stipulations of fact concerning the Four Threshold Issues.<sup>2</sup>

In addition, annexed hereto as Exhibit "A" are Certain Plaintiffs' proposed stipulations of fact that have not been agreed to by New GM.

<sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Supplemental Scheduling Order (as defined herein).

<sup>2</sup> Plaintiffs reserve the right to rely on any of the stipulations of fact agreed upon by Counsel for the Identified Parties.

#### AGREED-UPON STIPULATIONS OF FACT

- 1. When the Ignition Switch is turned to the "Accessory" or "Off" position in the Subject Vehicles, power to a part called the Sensing Diagnostic Module is lost. The Sensing Diagnostic Module determines when and whether airbags should deploy. When the Sensing Diagnostic Module is powered down, the airbags will not deploy. If the Sensing Diagnostic Module loses power during a crash, the Sensing Diagnostic Module's crash sensing protection would continue (and airbags could still deploy) for approximately 150 milliseconds after the power loss. But if the Sensing Diagnostic Module loses power prior to the crash, then the Sensing Diagnostic Module would power down and would not trigger airbag deployment. (V.R. at 28-29).<sup>3</sup>
- 2. According to New GM, the Subject Vehicles were recalled in 2014 (the "Ignition Switch Recall").
  - 3. In connection with the Ignition Switch Recall, New GM stated that:

There is a risk, under certain conditions, that your ignition switch may move out of the "run" position, resulting in a partial loss of electrical power and turning off the engine . . . If the ignition switch is not in the run position, the airbags may not deploy if the vehicle is involved in a crash, increasing the risk of injury or fatality.

(General Motors, Ignition Recall Safety Information Frequently Asked Questions (2014), available at <a href="http://gmignitionupdate.com/faq.html#L">http://gmignitionupdate.com/faq.html#L</a> (last visited May 23, 2014)).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "V.R." refers to Anton R. Valukas, Report to Board of Directors of General Motors Company Regarding Ignition Recalls, dated May 29, 2014, which can be found at <a href="http://www.nhtsa.gov/staticfiles/nvs/pdf/Valukas-report-on-gm-redacted.pdf">http://www.nhtsa.gov/staticfiles/nvs/pdf/Valukas-report-on-gm-redacted.pdf</a>.

- 4. In 2003, Thomas Gottschalk, Old GM's<sup>4</sup> former general counsel, stated to members of Old GM's legal department in a memorandum that "[i]f you as an attorney are aware of any threatened, on-going, or past violation of a federal, state or local law or regulation . . . it is your responsibility to respond appropriately." (V.R. at 109).
- 5. Gottschalk's memorandum also discussed what to do if one's superiors had concluded that appropriate action had been taken in response to a perceived problem, but the more junior lawyer disagreed. If they believed that the conclusion was wrong, the more junior lawyer should continue to seek an appropriate resolution. Gottschalk said it was the duty of the more junior lawyers to bring the situation to the attention of their supervisors or their supervisors' supervisors, as necessary. If the more junior lawyers believed that their supervisor had not addressed the issue appropriately or if the more junior lawyer felt that bringing it to the attention of their supervisors would be futile, the more junior lawyers were told to pursue it higher in the organization if necessary, to the General Counsel. (V.R. at 109-110).
- 6. In a February 19, 2004 report concerning the model year 2004 Saturn Ion, Old GM employee Onassis Matthews stated: "The location of the ignition key was in the general location where my knee would rest (I am 6'3" tall, not many places to put my knee). On several occasions, I inadvertently turn [sic] the ignition key off with my knee while driving down the road. For a tall person, the location of the ignition key should be moved to a place that will not be inadvertently switched to the off position." (V.R. at 57).
- 7. In an April 15, 2004 report concerning the model year 2004 Saturn Ion, Old GM employee Raymond P. Smith reported experiencing a one-time inadvertent shut-off, and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "Old GM" means Motors Liquidation Company, formerly known as General Motors Corporation.

that "I thought that my knee had inadvertently turned the key to the off position." (V.R. at 57).

- 8. In 2004, an engineer in Old GM's High Performance Vehicle Operations
  Group reported that the driver repeatedly experienced a moving stall during a track test of the
  Chevrolet Cobalt SS when the driver's knee slightly grazed the key fob.
- 9. An Old GM 2005 Problem Resolution Tracking System report states, in part: "Customer concern is that the vehicle ignition will turn off while driving."

  <a href="http://democrats.energycommerce.house.gov/sites/default/files/documents/GM-PRTS-Chevrolet-Cobalt-March-2005.pdf">http://democrats.energycommerce.house.gov/sites/default/files/documents/GM-PRTS-Chevrolet-Cobalt-March-2005.pdf</a>.
- 10. In December 2005, Old GM issued Service Bulletin 05-02-35-007 (the "December 2005 Service Bulletin") to its dealers, with the subject reference "Information on Inadvertent Turning Off of Key Cylinder, Loss of Electrical System and No DTCs ("Diagnostic Trouble Codes")" for the 2005-2006 Chevrolet Cobalt, 2006 Chevrolet HHR, 2003-2006 Saturn Ion, and 2006 Pontiac Solstice vehicles. (Apr. 1 Cong. Hr'g, Doc. 12).5
- A. The December 2005 Service Bulletin stated that the concern about inadvertently turning off the ignition "is more likely to occur if the driver is short and has a large and/or heavy key chain" and that, when a customer brought his or her vehicle in for service, he or she "should be advised of this potential and should take steps to prevent it such as removing unessential items from their key chain."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The hearing transcript can be found at *The GM Ignition Switch Recall: Why Did It Take So Long?: Hearing Before the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations of the H. Comm. on Energy and Commerce*, 2014 WL 1317290 (2014). The hearing transcript and the documents released by Congress in connection with the hearing can be found at <a href="http://energycommerce.house.gov/hearing/%E2%80%pC-gm-ignition-switch-recall-why-did-it-take-so-long%E2%80%9D">http://energycommerce.house.gov/hearing/%E2%80%pC-gm-ignition-switch-recall-why-did-it-take-so-long%E2%80%9D</a>. (last visited July 24, 2014). Citation to "Doc. \_\_\_\_" refer to the documents produced by New GM to Congress in connection with the hearings regarding the Ignition Switch Recall before the House Energy and Commerce Committee on April 1, 2014.

- B. The December 2005 Service Bulletin also stated that "there is potential for the driver to inadvertently turn off the ignition due to low ignition key cylinder torque/effort."
- C. Old GM did not issue any public statements related to the December 2005 Service Bulletin. (Apr. 1 Cong. Hr'g at 35).
- D. The December 2005 Service Bulletin did not describe the issue as involving a "stall." (V.R. at 93).
- E. Prior to this time, Steven Oakley, <sup>6</sup> an Old GM brand quality manager, had written a service bulletin request form that used the term "stall." (V.R. at 92).
- 11. In October 2006, Old GM updated the December 2005 Service Bulletin (hereinafter referred to, with that update, as the "October 2006 Service Bulletin") to include additional vehicle models and model years namely, the 2007 Saturn Ion, 2007 Saturn Sky, the 2007 Chevrolet HHR, the 2007 Pontiac Solstice, and the 2007 Pontiac G5. (Feb. 7 Notice; Feb. 24 Notice).
  - A. The October 2006 Service Bulletin stated:

There is potential for the driver to inadvertently turn off the ignition due to low ignition key cylinder torque/effort. The concern is more likely to occur if the driver is short and has a large and/or heavy key chain. In these cases, this condition was documented and the driver's knee would contact the key chain while the vehicle was turning and the steering column was adjusted all the way down. This is more likely to happen to a person who is short, as they will have the seat positioned closer to the steering column. In cases that fit this profile, question the customer thoroughly to determine if this may [sic] the cause. The customer should be advised of this potential and should take steps to prevent it – such as removing unessential items from their key chain.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Oakley is discussed infra at ¶ 15,S.

- B. The October 2006 Service Bulletin did not describe the issue as involving a "stall."
- 12. When Gary Altman, Old GM's Program Engineering Manager for the Chevrolet Cobalt, was asked at a deposition whether "it would be true that if it was a safety recall, the dealership and the consumers would be more aware of the issue than if it were a technical service bulletin," Altman replied: "I'm sure it is. It has to go through NHTSA. It goes through the public announcement, the record, and I'm pretty concerned—or pretty sure that every customer would be contacted." (Altman Dep. 54:3-11).
- 13. "In 2006, one Better Business Bureau arbitrator decision mandated that Old GM repurchase a Cobalt from a customer who complained of intermittent stalling." (V.R. 89, fn. 378).
- 14. Certain Old GM Personnel and New GM Personnel, as they relate to the Ignition Switch, are as follows:
- A. Alan Adler was Old GM's manager for safety communications in the Fall of 2006. (V.R. at 57-58).
- i. On October 24, 2006, a crash occurred in which a 2005 Cobalt left the road and struck a telephone box and two trees, leaving two passengers dead and the driver severely injured. The crash first came to Old GM's attention on November 15, 2006, through a TV reporter's inquiry. Adler e-mailed Dwayne Davidson, Senior Manager for TREAD Reporting at Old GM, and others, copying Old GM employees Gay Kent, Jaclyn Palmer, Brian Everest, and Douglas Wachtel, with the subject line "2005 Cobalt Air Bags Fatal Crash; Alleged Non-Deployment," asking whether anyone knew about the accident and other airbag incidents involving the Cobalt (the "November 2006 Adler E-mail"). Certain recipients

responded to the e-mail and provided available data on Cobalt frontal airbag claims. (V.R. at 114).

- ii. Adler was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (V.R. at 140).
- B. Gary Altman was Old GM's Program Engineering Manager for the Chevrolet Cobalt when it was launched. (V.R. at 57-58). As of June 2013 he had worked at Old GM and then New GM for approximately 35 years. (Altman Dep. 6:12-15).
- i. "Around the time of the Cobalt launch, two reports surfaced of moving stalls caused by a driver bumping the key fob or chain with his knee. First, at a summer or fall 2004 press event associated with the launch of the Cobalt in Santa Barbara, California, a journalist informed Doug Parks, the Cobalt Chief Engineer, that while adjusting his seat in the Cobalt he was driving, the journalist had turned off the car by hitting his knee against the key fob or chain. Parks asked Gary Altman, the Program Engineering Manager, to follow up on the complaint by trying to replicate the incident and to determine a fix." (V.R. at 59-60). "After the Cobalt press event, Altman and another GM engineer test drove a Cobalt at the Milford Proving Grounds and replicated the incident described by the journalist." (V.R. at 60).
- ii. The entity within Old GM responsible for opening and reviewing the November 2004 Problem Resolution Tracking System was a Current Production Improvement Team. (V.R. at 63-64). The Current Production Improvement Team included a cross-section of business people and engineers, along with the Program Engineering Manager that was responsible for the vehicle. (V.R. at 64). It was chaired by the Vehicle Line Director, who was the business lead for the vehicle program and reported directly to the Vehicle Line Executive, who at the time was Lori Queen. (V.R. at 64).

- System was closed with no action on March 9, 2005. (V.R. at 60). There were multiple reasons given for closing the November 2004 Problem Resolution Tracking System investigation and, ultimately, certain Old GM personnel concluded that none of the solutions represents an acceptable business case. (*Id.*; Doc. 8, at GMHEC000001735; V.R. at 69). The phrase "none of the solutions represents an acceptable business case" was a standard phrase by certain Old GM personnel for closing a Problem Resolution Tracking System investigation without action. (V.R. at 69). Here, according to certain Old GM personnel, the proposed changes were not implemented because none of them were guaranteed to resolve the problem completely. (*Id.*).
- iv. In May 2005, Steven Oakley opened a Field Performance Report to investigate a complaint by Jack Weber, an Old GM engineer who reported turning off a Chevrolet Cobalt SS with his knee while "heel-toe downshifting." (V.R. at 76).
  - v. Altman has testified, inter alia, that:
- a) movement of the ignition key from the "Run" position to the "Accessory" position in the 2005 Chevrolet Cobalt can be dangerous in certain situations.

  (Altman Dep. 12:5-10, 23-25; 23:23-24:2).
- b) when the ignition key moves from the "Run" position to the "Accessory" position in the 2005 Chevrolet Cobalt, the engine stalls and power steering stops working. (Altman Dep. 10:14-22).
- vi. In February 2009, Old GM engineer Joseph Manson copied Altman on an e-mail which, among other things, stated that the issue with respect to the Cobalt key (keyed off with knee while driving) "has been around since man first lumbered out of [the] sea and stood on two feet." (V.R. at 132-33).

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vii. Altman was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (See, e.g., V.R. at 222).

- C. Kathy Anderson was an Old GM Field Performance Assessment engineer who was assigned to gather information and assess technical issues in lawsuits and claims not in litigation. (V.R. at 105-106). Field Performance Assessment engineers conduct their own technical assessments, which might include reviewing police reports and medical records, interviewing witnesses, inspecting vehicles, and analyzing Sensing Diagnostic Module data. (V.R. at 106). Oftentimes, Field Performance Assessment engineers share their technical assessments with product litigation staff attorneys and outside counsel, assist in responding to plaintiffs' discovery requests, and may testify as experts or 30(b)(6) witnesses. "FPA engineers' technical assessments are the lawyers' primary source of technical information for the early case evaluations, and are a critical factor in the evaluation of settlement decisions." (V.R. at 106).
- i. In 2006, Anderson investigated two fatal crashes: the July 4, 2004 fatal crash of a 2004 Saturn Ion (the "July 2004 Fatal Crash") and the July 29, 2005 fatal crash of a 2005 Chevrolet Cobalt (the "July 2005 Fatal Crash"). (V.R. at 110, 112). In the July 2004 Fatal Crash, a vehicle occupant died after her 2004 Saturn Ion left the road at high speed, went over a low curb, braked, and then struck a large utility pole head on. The airbag did not deploy. (V.R. at 112). In the July 2005 Fatal Crash, the airbags did not deploy. (V.R. at 110).
- ii. "Settlements of between \$100,000 and \$1.5 million (a limit which was eventually increased to \$2 million) required approval at a committee known as the "Roundtable." The Roundtable Committee met weekly, and was led by the Litigation Practice Area Manager, and all product litigation staff attorneys were invited to attend. Settlement offers between \$2 and \$5 million required approval of a group called the Settlement Review

Committee, which met monthly, and was chaired by the head of global litigation. Members of the Settlement Review Committee included both the GC of GM North America and Kemp. When a case was before the Roundtable or the Settlement Review Committee, the responsible product litigation staff attorney would present his/her case." (V.R. at 106-108).

- iii. FPA engineers Manuel Peace, Kathy Anderson, and Douglas Brown of the Old GM Legal Staff were assigned to the July 2004 Fatal Crash and the July 2005 Fatal Crash. (V.R. at 110). Anderson and the other investigators identified the July 2004 Fatal Crash as one in which there should have been an airbag deployment, and that the deployment likely would have saved the occupant's life. (V.R. at 112-113).
- iv. Anderson was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (See, e.g., V.R. at 141).
- D. Douglas Brown was in-house counsel at Old GM. (V.R. at 110). In late 2005 and 2006, Cobalt and Ion airbag non-deployment cases began to reach the Old GM Legal Staff, including Brown. (V.R. at 103 & n.419).
- i. Brown was assigned to the July 2004 Fatal Crash and the July 2005 Fatal Crash. (*Id.*; V.R. at 124-126).
- ii. On October 3, 2006, Brown presented the July 2004 Fatal Crash to a Roundtable meeting, and reported that despite extensive analysis, the engineers have no solid technical explanation. The engineers agree that 1) the airbags should have deployed; 2) the Sensing Diagnostic Module did not record the crash event, for unknown reasons; and 3) it is reasonably likely that deployment of the driver airbag would have prevented death in this accident. The Roundtable granted settlement authority and Old GM settled the case. (V.R. at 113).

- iii. On November 15, 2006, Jaclyn Palmer forwarded to Brown an e-mail sent by Alan Adler that referred to the October 26, 2006 fatal crash of a 2005 Cobalt in which the airbag did not deploy. In the November 2006 Adler e-mail, Adler asked if anyone knew about the accident. (V.R. at 114).
- iv. Brown was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- E. Eric Buddrius was an engineer in Old GM's Product Investigations unit. The Product Investigations unit at Old GM was the primary unit charged with investigating and resolving significant engineering problems, including both customer satisfaction and safety problems. (V.R. at 86). The Old GM Product Investigations group would present its findings at one or more weekly Information Status Review meetings attended by the Field Performance Evaluation Director, the Product Investigations Director, and representatives from the Legal Department, Customer Care and After Sales, Field Performance Evaluation, and Product Investigation. (V.R. at 290).
- i. Witnesses have inconsistent recollections as to whether the Product Investigations group became involved in the Cobalt airbag non-deployment issues at this stage. One witness, Brian Everest, reported that in April 2007, the Field Performance Assessment group transitioned the Cobalt airbag matter to the Product Investigations unit, where it was assumed by Buddrius. Documents in Buddrius's files indicate that he was working on the issue, and a May 4, 2007 Investigation Status Review Presentation Planning Worksheet states that Buddrius was scheduled to present on an issue described as "Cobalt/Ion Airbag (NHTSA discussion item)." Buddrius has no recollection of involvement. (V.R. at 119-120).

- ii. Continental manufactured the Sensing Diagnostic Module for the Chevrolet Cobalt. (V.R. at 29).
- iii. According to Brian Everest, on May 15, 2009, Buddrius attended a meeting with Continental along with his colleagues John Sprague, Brian Everest, Lisa Stacey, James Churchwell, William Hohnstadt, John Dolan, and Legal Staff Attorney Jaclyn Palmer, to discuss Continental's findings regarding a Cobalt crash (hereinafter, the "May 2009 Continental Meeting"). Continental provided a report regarding a September 13, 2008 accident involving a 2006 Chevrolet Cobalt (the "Continental Report").
- iv. The Continental Report stated that the Sensing Diagnostic Module did not deploy the airbag because the algorithms were disabled at the start of the event. The report identified two possible causes for the disabled algorithm: (a) the vehicle experienced "loss of battery" or (b) the Sensing Diagnostic Module received a power mode status of "Off" from the body control module (BCM). (V.R. at 134).
- v. Buddrius was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (V.R. at 153 n.685).
- F. William K. Chase worked for Old GM and then New GM from 1984 through 2009. (Chase Dep. 7:2-3, 6:24-7:3). In 2005, Chase worked as a warranty engineer in the warranty engineering department at Old GM, where he was responsible for trying to reduce warranty costs for vehicles produced in Lordstown, Ohio, where the Cobalt and the Pontiac G5 were produced. (Chase Dep. 7:16-8:2, 20:14-18). Old GM's warranty system contained reports of incidents that included dealer comments on incidents, if the dealer had chosen to enter a comment. (Chase Dep. 12:23-13:3). Those reports were organized by labor code, included the

VIN, dealer name, the amount charged against the claim, any comments, any customer codes, and any trouble codes the dealer might have entered. (Chase Dep. 8:3-8).

- i. According to Chase, he first learned of a problem with the 2005 Cobalt in 2005 from Steve Oakley, the Cobalt brand quality manager at the time. (Chase Dep. 7:7-14). Oakley brought the issue to Chase's attention by submitting a Problem Resolution Tracking System report (PRTS No. N182276) on May 16, 2005 and asked Chase to estimate the warranty impact. (Chase Dep. 8:3-8).
- ii. Pursuant to a PRTS initiated in February 2009, a design change was implemented to change the ignition key design for 2010 Chevrolet Cobalt vehicles from a slot to a hole. (Feb. 7 Notice; Feb. 24 Notice; Chase Dep. 31:20-32:11).
  - iii. Chase was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- G. James Churchwell was an Old GM engineer. (V.R. at 135, 150 n.666). According to Everest, Churchwell attended the May 2009 Continental Meeting. (V.R. at 134-135).
- i. Churchwell was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (V.R. at 153).
- H. Dwayne Davidson was Old GM's Senior Manager for TREAD Reporting. (V.R. at 113-114, 117). Davidson received the November 2006 Adler E-mail. (V.R. at 114). Davidson thereafter conducted a search of Old GM's TREAD database that yielded over 700 records of field reports and complaints, which he offered to summarize. (V.R. at 114 n.477).
- i. In February 2007, Wisconsin State Patrol Trooper Keith Young wrote a Collision Analysis & Reconstruction Report about a fatal crash in October 2006 of a 2005

Chevrolet Cobalt (the "Wisconsin Report"). Davidson stated that, in 2007, he obtained a copy of the Wisconsin Report. The Wisconsin Report stated that it appears likely that the vehicle's key turned to Accessory as a result of the low key cylinder torque/effort and connected this to the failure of the airbags to deploy. Davidson stated he obtained the Wisconsin Report from someone at Old GM Legal in 2007 and that he provided the Wisconsin Report to NHTSA in 2007 in connection with GM's quarterly death and injury report. None of the GM lawyers and engineers interviewed in connection with the Valukas Report who were working on Cobalt matters recall being aware of the Wisconsin Report until 2014. (V.R. at 116-118).

- ii. Davidson was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (See, e.g., V.R. at 159).
- I. Raymond DeGiorgio was an Old GM Design Release Engineer.<sup>7</sup> (V.R. at 37). A Design Release Engineer is responsible for a particular component or part in a vehicle. (V.R. at 37 n.114). He had worked at Old GM as a Design Release Engineer since 1991, focusing on vehicle switches. DeGiorgio was the project or lead design engineer for the Ignition Switch used in the 2003 Saturn Ion and 2005 Chevrolet Cobalt. (DeGiorgio Dep. 11:6-10; 13:7-10, 18-19). Additionally, he was the lead design engineer for an ignition switch that replaced the Ignition Switch. (DeGiorgio Dep. 11:11-15; 21:5-9). He took over responsibility as Design Release Engineeer for the Ignition Switch between October 1999 and March 2001. (V.R. at 6, 37, 212).
- i. On March 22, 2001, DeGiorgio "finalized" the specification for the Ignition Switch, a designation that signaled to the supplier that additional changes to the switch

<sup>7</sup> Old GM's Design Release Engineers had responsibility for working with Old GM's suppliers to develop specific vehicle components for use in particular Old GM vehicles - their "design" responsibilities - and to ensure that those components satisfied Old GM's requirements and specifications before ultimately approving the part for use in an Old GM vehicle — "releasing" the part.

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were not anticipated and memorialized accepted agreements related to the specification at that point in time. (V.R. at 38). The supplier for the Ignition Switch was Delphi Mechatronics ("Delphi"). The initial specification for the Ignition Switch included a "TARGET" force displacement curve specifying 20 Newton-centimeters ("N-cm") as the torque needed to turn the ignition from "Run" to "Accessory." (V.R. at 36). By March 2001, based on DeGiorgio's finalization of the torque requirement, the torque necessary to move the Ignition Switch from Run to Accessory was, pursuant to the specification, required to fall somewhere between 15 Ncm and 25 N-cm. (V.R. at 39). In September 2001, DeGiorgio corresponded with representatives of Koyo Steering Systems North America ("Koyo"), the supplier of the Ion steering column into which Delphi's switch was installed. In his correspondence, DeGiorgio stated he recently learned that 10 of 12 prototype switches from Delphi failed to meet engineering requirements, and the failure is significant, adding that DeGiorgio himself must ensure this new design meets engineering requirements. (V.R. at 44). According to DeGiorgio, the "engineering requirements" and failures he referenced in this e-mail were electrical requirements and not failures related to the Ignition Switch torque. (V.R. at 44-45).

ii. At the same time that DeGiorgio was dealing with electrical problems with the Ignition Switch, Delphi was also conducting tests on the mechanical requirements, including the torque required to turn the Ignition Switch. (V.R. at 45). In February 2002, Delphi personnel informed DeGiorgio that the accessory detent was at 9.5 N-cm, which was below DeGiorgio's requested target based on TALC samples, and advised DeGiorgio that the torque could be increased, but there were risks that changes would trigger other issues. These risks included cracking of the rotors, premature wear-out of the detent, and impact on the electrical functions (particularly the printed circuit board). (V.R. at 46-47).

- iii. DeGiorgio approved production of the Ignition Switch, although it did not meet the Specification. (V.R. at 38-40, 50, 52). The Ignition Switch was installed in Saturn Ion and Chevrolet Cobalt vehicles. (See, e.g., V.R. at 53).
- iv. Problems with the Ignition Switch were brought to DeGiorgio's attention in 2003, 2004, and 2005. (V.R. at 53). These included at least one complaint that the Ignition Switch in a customer's vehicle had insufficient torque and caused that vehicle to shut off while driving. (V.R. at 77). In 2005, DeGiorgio received torque test results from Old GM's review of the Ignition Switch turning from the "Run" to the "Accessory" position in certain Chevrolet Cobalt vehicles. (DeGiorgio Dep. 58:4-19). DeGiorgio discussed changes to the Ignition Switch used in the Chevrolet Cobalt with John Hendler and later proposed changes to the Cobalt VAPIR Team. (2014 House Panel Report, e-mail from Raymond DeGiorgio to Andrew C. Brenz, dated Nov. 22, 2004 (GMHEC000330211-14)).
- v. In 2006, DeGiorgio approved a change in the Ignition Switch that increased the torque required to turn the key, but there was no change to the part number. (V.R. at 9-10, 39). NHTSA was not informed of the change to the Ignition Switch. (Apr. 1 Cong. Hr'g at 75).
- vi. On or about August 14, 2007, Old GM entered into a Warranty Settlement Agreement with Delphi (as a debtor in bankruptcy) where the estimated warranty costs could exceed \$1 million (the "**Delphi Settlement**"). The Delphi Settlement identified 49 issues that were resolved as part of the settlement, including something labelled "ignition switch failure" on the model year 2003-04 Saturn Ion and model year 2005-06 Chevrolet Cobalt.
- vii. DeGiorgio was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (V.R. at 179).

- J. John Dolan was an electrical engineer for Old GM and, according to Everest, attended the May 2009 Continental Meeting. (V.R. at 134, 165).
- i. Dolan was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (V.R. at 174 n.793).
- K. Brian Everest, an engineer, was an Old GM Field Performance
  Assessment Supervisor. (V.R. at 114, 118-119). John Sprague an Old GM Field Performance
  Assessment Engineer stated that he generally remembers sharing his Excel spreadsheet listing
  the various Cobalt accidents and non-deployments with Everest, but he does not remember
  sharing the spreadsheet at any formal meeting. (V.R. at 119). Everest attended the May 2009
  Continental Meeting. (V.R. at 134). At some point after that time, Everest investigated how the
  Cobalt's Body Control Module, the part responsible for controlling the engine, could send a
  power mode status of "Off" to the Sensing Diagnostic Module. (V.R. at 135).
- i. Everest was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (V.R. at 153).
- L. Michael Gruskin was an attorney for Old GM and then for New GM.

  (V.R. at 110). At some point in time, he headed GM's product litigation team. (V.R. at 105, 110). In addition, Gruskin chaired the Settlement Review Committee and the Roundtable<sup>8</sup> from September 2007 to March 2012. (V.R. at 107). During the time Gruskin chaired the Roundtable (which generally met on a weekly basis), the Roundtable reviewed the following crashes. First, in September 2007, the Roundtable reviewed a crash involving a person who sustained severe injuries after his 2005 Saturn Ion ran into the rear of an illegally parked tractor trailer on June 26, 2005 (the "June 2005 Non-Fatal Crash"). The presentation made at the

<sup>8</sup> The Roundtable is discussed supra at ¶15,C, ii.

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Roundtable indicated that the Sensing Diagnostic Module data was incomplete and inaccurate, as a probable result of power loss during the crash. Second, in July 2008 the Roundtable reviewed a December 29, 2006 crash of a 2005 Chevrolet Cobalt which caused serious injuries and in which neither Old GM nor outside counsel had an explanation for why the airbag did not deploy. According to the Sensing Diagnostic Module data, the ignition was in the Run position at the time of the accident.

- i. Gruskin was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the
   Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- M. Victor Hakim was an Old GM employee, who, as of June 11, 2013, had been with Old GM and then New GM for 43 years. (Hakim Dep. 6:23-7:1). Hakim testified at his deposition that there was a summary Excel spreadsheet from the Old GM Company Vehicle Evaluation Program, which contained comments from drivers of Ion vehicles. (Hakim Dep. 155:9-15). The Old GM Company Vehicle Evaluation Program spreadsheet included a January 9, 2004 statement from one driver of a Saturn Ion that the Ignition Switch was positioned too low on the steering column, that the keys hit his knee while driving, that the Ignition Switch should be raised on the steering column at least one inch, that this was a basic design flaw, and that it should be corrected if Old GM wanted repeat sales. (Hakim Dep. 155:23-24; 156:22-157:5).
- i. Hakim was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (See, e.g., V.R. at 145).
- N. William Hohnstadt was an Old GM sensing performance engineer. (V.R. at 134). On July 16, 2007, Hohnstadt received Sensing Diagnostic Module data from Continental relating to a Cobalt crash in which the airbags did not deploy. The report concluded that the vehicle's Sensing Diagnostic Module had experienced loss of battery prior to the non-

deployment. (V.R. at 126, 127 n.543). According to one witness, Hohnstadt attended the May 2009 Continental Meeting. (V.R. at 134).

- i. Hohnstadt was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- O. William J. Kemp was Old GM's Counsel for Engineering Organization, and was a member of Old GM's Settlement Review Committee. (V.R. at 104). He was an Old GM senior attorney who worked closely with the engineering groups and who had shared responsibility for safety issues in the legal department. (V.R. at 85). Kemp sat on the Settlement Review Committee, whose purpose was to determine whether and at what price to settle product liability lawsuits. "A reason for that assignment is to ensure that information from lawsuits finds its way into GM's safety function, that is, to the engineers who make safety decisions." (V.R. at 105, 108).
- i. In the late spring of 2004, certain Old GM employees, including Gay Kent, discussed engine stalling with NHSTA. (V.R. at 72). On June 3, 2004, during the meeting with NHTSA, Old GM personnel presented their perspective on engine stalls—specifically, that those occurring on acceleration required more rigorous review. GM also represented to NHTSA that in assessing a given stall, it considered severity, incident rate, and warning to the driver. Kemp's notes related to this meeting indicate NHTSA told Old GM that, in a case where the number of failures was "inordinately high," the factors considered by Old GM to assess the problem should be considered but did not necessarily "immunize" a manufacturer from conducting a safety recall. (V.R. at 73-74).
- ii. In or around June 2005, Kemp was informed of an article to be published in the Cleveland Plain Dealer that criticized Old GM's response to engine stall in the

Cobalt. Kemp suggested that Old GM should give the columnist a videotape demonstration showing the remoteness of this risk. Elizabeth Zatina, another Old GM attorney, responded that she was not optimistic we can come up with something compelling. Kemp replied that they can't stand hearing, after the article is published, that they didn't do enough to defend a brand new launch. (V.R. at 85-86).

- iii. Kemp was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (V.R. at 151).
- P. Gay Kent was Old GM's Director of Product Investigations. In or around 2005, Old GM Product Investigations Manager Douglas Wachtel assigned Old GM Product Investigations employee Elizabeth Kiihr to investigate the Cobalt Ignition Switch shut-off. (V.R. at 86). In addition, Wachtel and Gay Kent obtained a Cobalt and drove around Old GM's property in Warren, Michigan. Kent had a long and heavy key chain and was able to knock the Ignition Switch from "Run" to "Accessory" by moving her leg so that her jeans caused friction against the fob. Wachtel could reproduce the phenomenon more easily, but still only by contacting the key chain rather than hitting bumps in the road. (V.R. at 87).
- i. On March 29, 2007, a group of Old GM engineers, including Gay Kent and Brian Everest, attended a Quarterly Review meeting at NHTSA headquarters. During that meeting, or during a break, NHTSA officials told the Old GM representatives that they had observed a number of airbag non-deployments in Cobalt and Ion vehicles. NHTSA made no formal request and did not ask Old GM to report back to it about the non-deployment issue.
- ii. Kent was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
  - Q. Elizabeth Kiihr was an engineer in Old GM's Product Investigations unit.

- i. Kiihr was assigned in or around 2005 to investigate the Cobalt Ignition Switch shut-off. (V.R. at 86).
- ii. Kiihr created a file in 2005 that contained customer complaints and a copy of a February 2005 "Preliminary Information" on engine stalls in the Cobalt. (V.R. at 66, 156). The file contained, among other things: (a) several TREAD data reports regarding the Cobalt; (b) PowerPoint presentations, including presentations from an Investigation Status Review meeting in 2005 and a Vehicle and Progress Integration Review ("VAPIR")<sup>9</sup> meeting in 2005; (c) a cost estimate for changing the design of the key; and (d) a copy of a Product Investigation Bulletin titled "Engine Stalls, Loss of Electrical Systems, and No DTCs." (V.R. at 164).
- iii. Kiihr was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
  - R. Alberto Manzor was an Old GM engineer.
- i. Manzor became involved in the investigation of the Cobalt ignition switch in the spring of 2005. Manzor claims that he said, at the time, that the Cobalt ignition switch issue was incorrectly categorized as a moderate issue and should have been classified as a safety issue. (V.R. at 83). There was no documentary evidence of Manzor making such a statement. Manzor claims that he said that he discussed his safety concerns about the Cobalt, including the potential for airbag non-deployment, with Doug Parks, Gary Altman, and an Old GM safety engineer, Naveen Ramachandrarappa Nagapola, but these employees either do not recall or else deny the conversation took place. (V.R. at 83-84). On June 17, 2005, Manzor

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> VAPIR (Vehicle and Process Integration Review), by design, includes a cross-section of Vehicle System Engineers because they are supposed to be able to recognize whether an issue impacts other functions within the vehicle. (V.R. at 66).

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conducted testing on the Cobalt Ignition Switch, and the proposed GMT 191 Ignition Switch, at Old GM's Milford Proving Ground, to evaluate how the Ignition Switches performed using a key with a slotted key head versus a key head with a hole. (V.R. at 81). According to Manzor, these experiments demonstrated that changing the key head design and replacing the Ignition Switch had the potential to address the torque problem. They also demonstrated that the rotational torque required to move the key out of "Run" was 10 N-cm. This was below the specification of 15 to 25 N-cm. (V.R. at 82). However, neither Parks nor Manzor compared the test results to the actual specification.

- ii. Following the tests, Manzor took steps to expedite the key-head design change of the ignition key. Later, in June 2005, the Old GM Vehicle and Process Integration Review Committee approved a service fix for existing customers—a plug that could be inserted into keys when customers came to the dealer reporting problems—and a change to the key for production in the future (a change that was not implemented). On July 12, 2005, another Preliminary Information was issued, stating (only for the 2005 Cobalt and 2005 Pontiac Pursuit) that a fix was available (the key insert). Certain Old GM engineers still regarded the key head design change as only a temporary solution—or, as one engineer described it, a "bandaid." (V.R. at 82-83).
- iii. Manzor was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- S. Steven Oakley was a brand quality manager for Old GM in 2005 and had been continuously employed by Old GM since 1990. (Oakley Dep. 7:1-6, 18-20).
- i. In or around March 2005, Oakley first became aware of an issue with the Ignition Switch. (Oakley Dep. 12:8-14, 16-19, 22-23; 14:9-22; see also V.R. at 86, 92).

Around that time, Oakley drafted a service bulletin request form describing the engine-cut-off problems as a stall, but the Technical Service Bulletin issued in December 2005 did not use that language. (V.R. at 76). Oakley has stated, at times, that he was reluctant to push hard on safety issues because of his perception that his predecessor had been pushed out of his job for doing just that. In this particular event, Oakley stated that his initial concern that the Ignition Switch presented a safety issue was alleviated after discussions with the engineers. (V.R. at 93).

ii. Oakley received a customer demand that Old GM repurchase the customer's Cobalt in May 2005 because the Ignition Switch shut off during normal driving with no apparent contact between the driver's knee and the key chain or fob. (V.R. at 76). Oakley forwarded this information internally at Old GM, stating that the customer reported that the ignition switch goes to the off position too easily shutting the car off. (V.R. at 76 n.309).

Oakley told Old GM employee Joseph Joshua, to whom he forwarded the customer demand, that

the field rep will swap the parts if we want them to. He is concerned that this will not correct the condition, as he feels several stock cars at the dealership have about the same level of effort for the switch. They would like to have a column sent to them that we have some kind of confidence is better than what they are taking out. Again, if you just want a swap out we can do this, but without the ability to measure the effort, I have a hard time persuading them this will actually fix the car.

(V.R. at 77).

- iii. One of the people the e-mail was forwarded to was DeGiorgio, who does not remember receiving this e-mail. (V.R. at 77).
- iv. Oakley was a Transferred Employee (as such term defined is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- T. Jaclyn C. Palmer was an Old GM product liability attorney and attended Roundtable meetings. (V.R. at 108). Palmer, described as an "airbag lawyer," received the

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November 2006 Adler E-mail and forwarded it to Doug Brown, another Old GM airbag lawyer, so that he could be prepared for any potential claims related to the 2005 crash involving a Cobalt in which the airbag failed to deploy. (V.R. at 114, n.477). Palmer attended the May 2009 Continental Meeting. (V.R. at 135).

- i. Palmer was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (See, e.g., V.R. at 140-141).
- Doug Parks was Old GM's Vehicle Chief Engineer for the Chevrolet Cobalt leading up to its launch. V.R. at 57-58). In late 2004, Parks asked Altman to follow up on a complaint that the driver had turned off a Cobalt by hitting his knee against the key fob (V.R. at 59-60). Altman was able to replicate the incident. (V.R. at 60). On May 4, 2005, Parks sent an e-mail to various Old GM personnel including Altman, regarding "GMX 001: Inadvertent Ign turn-off," writing, "for service, can we come up with a 'plug' to go into the key that centers the ring through the middle of the key and not the edge/slot? This appears to me to be the only real, quick solution." (Doc. 12).
- iii. Parks was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- U. Manuel Peace was an Old GM Field Performance Assessment Engineer. He investigated at least three crashes in Saturn Ion or Chevrolet Cobalt vehicles, including the July 2004 Fatal Crash, the June 2005 Non-Fatal Crash, and the July 2005 Fatal Crash. (V.R. at 110, 112, 124, 126). Peace and Kathy Anderson were assigned to investigate the July 2004 Fatal Crash and the July 2005 Fatal Crash. Peace and the other Old GM investigators identified the July 2004 Fatal Crash as a crash in which there should have been an airbag deployment and that

it was reasonably likely that the deployment of the driver airbag would have prevented the occupant's death in this accident. (V.R. at 111-113).

- i. In 2007, Old GM's Legal Staff was made aware of the June 2005

  Non-Fatal Crash. (V.R. at 125-126). Manuel Peace and John Sprague were the Old GM Field

  Performance Assessment investigators and Doug Brown was the Old GM lawyer assigned to the

  June 2005 Non-Fatal Crash. (V.R. at 126). The investigation proceeded to a Roundtable

  presentation on September 18, 2007. (*Id.*).
- ii. Peace was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- V. Craig St. Pierre worked for a company called Ortech, the supplier of the Chevrolet Cobalt ignition cylinder, as a supplier resident engineer for approximately five years. During this time, he maintained a desk at Old GM. (St. Pierre Dep. 7:10-13; 8:3-13; 10:1-18). During the launch of the Chevrolet Cobalt, St. Pierre learned that there was a problem with the ignition key turning from the "Run" to the "Accessory" position under normal operating conditions. He was made aware of this problem so that he could communicate back to Ortech. (St. Pierre Dep. 8:22-25; 10:1-8).
- i. By September 13, 2005, St. Pierre and Trush determined that the detent effort in the Ignition Switch in the Cobalt was too low. (St. Pierre Dep. 14:11-15:3).
- ii. In September 2005, regarding the Ignition Switch problem, St. Pierre stated in a Problem Resolution Tracking System Report that the detent efforts on Ignition Switch are too low allowing the key to be cycled to off position inadvertently. Changes to the key can be made to reduce the moment which can be applied to key by key ring/keys. This will assist in limiting the issue but will not completely eliminate it. Changes to the switch will not be

forthcoming from electrical group until model year 2007. (2005 PRTS, originated May 17, 2005, at GMHEC0000001748).

- iii. David Kepczynski was an Old GM engineering group manager. In 2006, Kepczynski recommended closing the 2005 PRTS without action because the business case was not accepted by the program team. Kepczynski also stated that a service fix was already available and in the field. (2005 PRTS, originated May 17, 2005, at GMHEC000001750-1751).
- W. Keith Schultz was Manager of Internal Investigations in Old GM's Product Investigations unit at or around March, 2007. (V.R. at 118).
- i. After Old GM personnel returned from a March 29, 2007 meeting with NHTSA, in which NHTSA officials had told the Old GM representatives that they had observed airbag non-deployments in the Cobalt and Ion vehicles, Everest and John Sprague, an Old GM Field Performance Assessment airbag engineer, compiled information on Cobalt and Ion NISMs (as defined in paragraph 15, X) and lawsuits. Dwayne Davidson pulled the TREAD data for similar instances. (V.R. at 118). Sprague began compiling an Excel spreadsheet listing the various Cobalt accidents and non-deployments to look for trends, but he did not remember sharing the spreadsheet at any formal meeting. (V.R. at 118-119). Schultz sent an e-mail to Brian Everest and John Sprague on May 3, 2007, stating that they were planning to have a brief discussion on the Cobalt/Ion Air Bag non-deployment issue tomorrow as part of their bi-weekly Investigation Status Review and that they were both welcome to join for this discussion and that it may be helpful if at least one of them can. (V.R. at 119 n. 500).
- ii. Schultz was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.

- X. John Sprague was an Old GM Field Performance Assessment Engineer. His job was to support Old GM's products liability defense team. (V.R. at 9). According to Everest, in 2007, Sprague was asked by Schultz to compile information on Cobalt and Ion not-in-suit matters and lawsuits. (V.R. at 118). Sprague investigated the June 2005 Non-Fatal Crash. (V.R. at 126). According to Everest, he also attended the May 2009 Continental Meeting. (V.R. at 134).
- i. After the meeting with Continental in May 2009, Sprague collected information regarding power mode status, added it to his spreadsheet, and discovered that the power mode status was recorded as Off or Accessory in a number of accidents. (V.R. 135)
- ii. Sprague was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (See, e.g., V.R. at 141).
- Y. Lisa Stacey was an Old GM Field Performance Assessment engineer.

  (V.R. at 132). In late 2008 or early 2009, Old GM Field Performance Assessment engineers learned about a September 13, 2008 Cobalt crash in Stevensville, Michigan, which resulted in two deaths (the "September 2008 Fatal Crash"). After the September 2008 Fatal Crash was reported to an ESIS 10 employee, Old GM opened a "rumor file." (V.R. at 132). "Rumor files" were an informal tracking system by which ESIS investigators or other Old GM legal staff would start files on cases that were not formally involved in litigation but potentially could lead to litigation. (V.R. at 122). Rumor files were noted by some as being hard to track, difficult to access, and not easily searchable. Stacey reviewed the publicly available information, examined the vehicle, and visited the crash scene. She thought that this was an incident where an airbag deployment would have been expected. Old GM acquired the vehicle involved in the September

<sup>10</sup> ESIS acted as a claims administrator for Old GM and conducts field investigations and processes NISM claims. They maintained offices at Old GM and worked with Old GM's Legal Staff.

2008 Fatal Crash and provided the vehicle's Sensing Diagnostic Module to its supplier,
Continental, for further analysis. (V.R. at 132). Stacey also attended the May 2009 Continental
Meeting.

- i. Stacey was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
- Z. David Trush was the Old GM design engineer for the ignition cylinder and key of the 2005 Chevrolet Cobalt. (Trush Dep. 11:1-3). In 2004, Trush first learned of a concern that the Saturn Ion's key could move from the "Run" position to the "Accessory" position after receiving a call from an Old GM employee. (Trush 20:11-16; 21:10-17). Trush did not recall the specifics of the conversation.
- i. At some point, Trush became aware of an incident occurring in the Fall of 2004 involving a Chevrolet Cobalt in which, while driving the vehicle, the driver's knee bumped the key in such a manner as to turn off the ignition. (Trush Dep. 32:22-33:9).
- ii. Trush testified that, as of February 2009, he had feedback from the Lordstown, Ohio, plant that assembled the Chevrolet Cobalt that, while installing the steering column in a vehicle, the workers at the plant were inadvertently hitting the ignition key and moving the key to different positions. (Trush Dep. 108:20-111-21).
- iii. Trush was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale.
  - AA. Douglas Wachtel was a manager in Old GM's Product Investigations unit.
- i. Wachtel was copied on the November 2006 Adler E-mail. (V.R. at 114). In his e-mail response to Adler, Wachtel reviewed existing field actions involving the Cobalt and recommended that Old GM acquire Event Data Recorder data. (V.R. at 114 n.477).

Wachtel was sent an e-mail from an Old GM employee, Christopher Janik, that contained a summary of the two Cobalt frontal airbag non-deployment claims in the NHTSA database. (*Id.*).

- ii. In March-April 2007, Old GM's technical bulletin group proposed publishing a revised version of the December 2005 Service Bulletin that would change the subject line to include the word "stalls." The proposed title was: "Information on Inadvertent Turning off of Key Cylinder, Loss of Electrical System, Hesitation, Stalls and No DTCs Set." (V.R. at 120).
- iii. On April 24, 2007, Wachtel (then Old GM Senior Manager Internal Investigation, Product Investigations) provided his approval to add the word "stall" to the symptoms section of the bulletin. Wachtel later forwarded this e-mail chain to Gay Kent.
- iv. Old GM had no record of publication of the 2007 Technical Service Bulletin. (See, e.g., V.R. at 145).
- v. Kemp instructed Wachtel to open a 2011 Product Investigation into the ignition switch issue, and Wachtel assigned the investigation to Brian Stouffer. (V.R. at 145)
- vi. During this investigation, Stouffer was given material regarding the 2005 Cobalt moving stall and quickly located the December 2005 Service Bulletin. (V.R. at 145).
- vii. Wachtel was a Transferred Employee (as such term is defined on the Sale Agreement), after the 363 Sale. (See, e.g., V.R. at 145).
- BB. In February 2007, ESIS Claims Administrator Kristy Gibb received a copy of Wisconsin State Trooper Keith Young's "Collision Analysis & Reconstruction Report." (V.R. at 112).

- CC. In September 2006, Dykema Gossett, LLP, an Old GM outside law firm, sent to Old GM's legal staff a case evaluation regarding the July 2004 Fatal Crash. (V.R. at 112).
- DD. In May 2007, Hartline, Dacus, Berger & Dryer, LLP ("Hartline Dacus") submitted to Old GM an evaluation of an airbag non-deployment crash involving the November 2004 Fatal Crash that said that Old GM's FPA engineer did not determine precisely how the vehicle lost power. (V.R. at 124-125). In January 2008, Hartline Dacus submitted its second evaluation of the November 2004 Fatal Crash to Old GM. (V.R. at 129-130).
- EE. The Captured Test Fleet was a group of early production cars driven by Old GM employees who were charged with identifying problems before launch. (V.R. at 58).
- FF. Captured Test Fleet reports were organized by the Old GM Quality Group and spreadsheets were sent to the chief engineer, the Program Engineering Manager, and the program team, and were discussed at weekly team meetings. (V.R. at 300).
- Advanced Automated Crash Notification during the time period of May 2005-2006. (See A Study of US Crash Statistics From Automated Crash Notification Data by M.K. Verma, R.C. Lange and D.C. McGarry, General Motors Corp., ESV paper number 07-0058-0, available at <a href="http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/pdf/esv/esv20/07-0058-O.pdf">http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/pdf/esv/esv20/07-0058-O.pdf</a>). During that time period, there were 1,045 recorded frontal crashes with frontal airbag deployment in the unspecified Advance Automated Crash Notification equipped vehicles. In addition, there were 356 cases of 'non-deployment' in unspecified Advanced Automated Crash Notification equipped vehicles where the predetermined thresholds for Advanced Automated Crash Notification in frontal impact were

reached or exceeded. The study does not indicate whether data was collected from any of the Subject Vehicles. (*Id.*).

- 16. According to Bill Merrill (an Old GM Red X North America Manager whom Old GM Product Investigations engineer Brian Stouffer emailed to request assistance from the Red X team to examine changes on the Cobalt between 2007 and 2008 model years), at his March 18, 2014 interview "if an [Old GM] employee tried to raise a safety issue five years ago, the employee would get pushback." (V.R. at 187, 252).
- 17. Old GM employee Andrew Brenz or Alberto Manzor described a GM phenomenon of avoiding responsibility, as the "'GM Salute,' a crossing of the arms and pointing outward towards others, indicating that the responsibility belongs to someone else, not me." (V.R. at 255).
- Nod." In one part of the Report, Barra described the nod as "when everyone nods in agreement to a proposed plan of action, but then leaves the room with no intention to follow through, and the nod is an empty gesture." (V.R. at 256). In another part of the Report, it is described as "when everyone nods in agreement to a proposed plan of action, but then leaves the room and does nothing." (V.R. at 2).
- 19. Barra stated that problems occurred during a prior vehicle launch as a result of engineers being unwilling to identify issues out of concern that it would delay the launch. (V.R. at 252).
- 20. Barra testified that a cost-benefit analysis on a safety issue or a safety defect is not acceptable. (Apr. 1 Cong. Hr'g, at 32).

- 21. New GM informed NHTSA in July 2014 that, in 2003, GM learned of a customer complaint of intermittent vehicle shut offs in a MY 2003 Grand Am from a Michigan dealership. Despite multiple attempts, the dealership could not duplicate the condition. GM's Brand Quality Manager for the Grand Am personally visited the dealership and requested that the customer demonstrate the problem. The customer had an excess key ring and mass (containing approximately 50 keys and a set of brass knuckles), and was able to recreate the shut off upon driving over a speed bump at approximately 30-35 mph.
- 22. On January 7, 2003, GM opened Problem Resolution Tracking System 0084/2003. On May 22, 2003, GM issued a voicemail to dealerships describing the condition and identifying the relevant population of vehicles as 1999 through 2003 MY Chevrolet Malibu, Oldsmobile Alero, and Pontiac Grand Am. The notice directed dealers to pay attention to the key size and mass of the customer's key ring in order to better diagnose the customer's complaint. On July 24, 2003, Engineering Work Order (EWO) 211722 was initiated to increase the detent plunger force on the ignition switch replacing P/N 22688239 with P/N 22737173. This was a running change made in 2004 to the Malibu, Grand Am and the Alero. The production and service stock disposition for P/N 22688239 was designated "use," so it is possible that P/N 22688239 was used to service vehicles. New GM informed NHTSA in July 2014 that, on March 17, 2004, EWO 317693 was initiated to increase the detent plunger force on the ignition switch on the Grand Prix in order to maintain commonality between the Grand Prix and the Malibu, Grand Am and the Alero. The old Grand Prix part number, P/N10310896, was not changed to a new part number when the detent plunger force was changed, rather P/N 10310896 remained the part number for the new ignition switch. The service stock disposition was designated "use," so it is possible that the old switch was used to service vehicles.

- Chris Johnson was General Counsel of GM North America from October 15,
   until October 31, 2008.
- 24. On September 1, 2006, Robert Osborne succeeded Thomas Gottschalk as Old GM's General Counsel and maintained that position until July 2009.
- 25. Michael Robinson was General Counsel of GM North America from November 1, 2008 until September 30, 2009.
- 26. From 2001 through early July 2009, the General Counsel of GM North America for Old GM reported to Old GM's General Counsel.
- 27. Prior to the 363 Sale, Old GM initiated at least eight vehicle recalls in 2009 that were unrelated to the Ignition Switch Defect. *See* Recalls 09V036000; 09V073000; 09V080000; 09V116000; 09V153000; 09V154000; 09V155000; 09V172000.

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# Exhibit A

#### **EXHIBIT A**

### CERTAIN PLAINTIFFS' PROPOSED STIPULATIONS OF FACT NOT AGREED TO BY NEW GM

- 1. On November 19, 2004, Old GM personnel opened a Problem Resolution

  Tracking System report to address a complaint at a press event that a Subject Vehicle could be

  "keyed off with knee while driving. This was the first of six reports opened between 2004 and

  2009 in connection with moving stalls in the Cobalt." (V.R. at 63). As part of the November 19,

  2004 Problem Resolution Tracking System investigation, Old GM engineers suggested solutions
  to address the complaint that the ignition could be "keyed off with knee while driving," and
  presented them to the Current Production Improvement Team. (V.R. at 64-68).
- 2. As Old GM's Program Engineering Manager for the Chevrolet Cobalt when it was launched, Gary Altman would have been present at Current Production Improvement Team and Vehicle and Process Integration Review meetings in which possible solutions were presented to address reports that drivers had inadvertently turned off the ignition switch in Cobalt vehicles by hitting their knees against the key or key fob. (V.R. at 63-67).
- 3. A May 2007 case evaluation, by Old GM's outside counsel, of an accident in a 2004 Saturn Ion in which the airbag failed to deploy despite the fact that the vehicle went off the road, traveled through a brush line and struck a tree head on, resulting in one fatality and one severe injury, was deemed "unusual." "In discussing the technical issues in the case, outside counsel explained that, given the severity of the impact, the airbag non-deployment 'must be' attributable to power loss." (V.R. at 124-125).
- 4. A January 2008 second evaluation by Old GM outside counsel of a nondeployment case involving a Subject Vehicle hitting a tree concluded that "[t]he impact with the

tree was clearly severe enough to warrant deployment of the vehicle's airbags. As a result, from a technical standpoint, there is a potential problem with the non-deployment, which was originally attributed to a pre-collision power loss." While outside counsel and Old GM Field Performance Assessment Engineer Manuel Peace thought the non-deployment event was not caused by a power loss, outside counsel concluded that "it was likely 'that a jury will find that the vehicle was defective' [and] GM eventually settled the case in 2008." (V.R. at 129-30).

- 5. In March 2009, Old GM CEO Rick Wagoner had a "back-up" slide of a slide deck that included a reference to the Cobalt's inadvertent shut-off issue, that was presented at a meeting of the Vehicle Program Review team. That slide, in a 72-page slide presentation, described a proposed change in the Cobalt's key design from a slot to a hole. The slide deck was found in the data collected from Wagoner's computer from March 2009. (V.R. at 245).
- 6. In furtherance of Old GM's admitted culture of avoiding responsibility, an Old GM 2008 Q1 Interior Technical Learning Symposium presentation provided examples of comments and phrases employees should avoid using in reports:
- i. "This is a lawsuit waiting to happen . . . "; "Unbelievable Engineering screw up . . . "; "This is a safety and security issue . . . "; "Scary for the customer . . . "; "Kids and wife panicking over the situation . . . "; "I believe the wheels are too soft and weak and could cause serious problems. . . "; "Dangerous . . . almost cause accident."
- ii. The presentation also stated that documents used for reports and presentations should only concern engineering results, facts, and judgments. Some examples of words or phrases that are to be avoided are: *always* (emphasis in original), annihilate, apocalyptic, bad, Band-Aid, big time, brakes like an "X" car, cataclysmic, catastrophic, Challenger, chaotic, Cobain, condemns, Corvair-like, crippling, critical, dangerous, deathtrap,

debilitating, decapitating, *defect* (emphasis in original), defective, detonate, disemboweling, enfeebling, evil, eviscerated, explode, failed, failure, flawed, genocide, ghastly, grenadelike, grisly, gruesome, Hindenburg, Hobbling, Horrific, impaling, inferno, Kevorkianesque, lacerating, life-threatening, maiming, malicious, mangling, maniacal, mutilating, *never* (emphasis in original), potentially-disfiguring, powder keg, problem, rolling sarcophagus (tomb or coffin), safety, safety related, serious, spontaneous combustion, startling, suffocating, suicidal, terrifying, Titanic, tomblike, unstable, widow-maker, words or phrases with biblical connotation, you're toast.

- 7. "In addition to being trained on how to write, a number of GM employees reported that they did not take notes at all critical safety meetings because they believed GM lawyers did not want such notes taken." (V.R. at 254).
- 8. Between the years 2003 and 2012, consumers raised 133 warranty claims with GM dealers about 2003-2007 Ion vehicles, 2005-2007 Cobalt vehicles, 2006-2007 HHR vehicles, a 2006 Solstice, and two 2007 G5 vehicles, that unexpectedly stalled or turned off when going over bumps or when the key was struck. (Supplemental Memorandum, dated April 1, 2014, U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce Democratic Staff, at 1-2, which can be found at:

http://democrats.energycommerce.house.gov/sites/default/files/documents/Supplemental-Memo-GM-Warranty-Claims-2014-4-1.pdf.

## Exhibit C

#### Groman Plaintiffs' Disputed Stipulated Facts

- 1. From at least 2001 through early July 2009, the Old GM "lawyers in charge of safety issues ... reported to the General Counsel of GM North America." (V.R. at 104).
- 2. From at least 2001 through early July 2009, the Old GM "lawyers in charge of product liability litigation reported to the General Counsel of GM North America." (V.R. at 104).
- 3. During his employment, William Kemp reported to the General Counsel of GM North America. (V.R. at 104).
- 4. During his employment, Larry Buonomo reported to the General Counsel of GM North America. (V.R. at 104).
- 5. As of the date of the filing of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Michael Robinson was aware of and possessed information that drivers of Subject Vehicles had experienced moving stalls while driving Subject Vehicles.
- 6. As of the date of the filing of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Michael Robinson was aware of and possessed information that some or all of the moving stalls were related to a defective Ignition Switch.
- 7. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, William Kemp provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Chris Johnson.
- 8. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, William Kemp provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Michael Robinson.
- 9. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, William Kemp provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Chris Johnson.
- 10. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, William Kemp provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Michael Robinson.
- 11. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Larry Buonomo was an Old GM lawyer in charge of product liability litigation.
- 12. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Larry Buonomo provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Chris Johnson.
- 13. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Larry Buonomo provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Michael Robinson.
- 14. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Larry Buonomo provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Chris Johnson.

- 15. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Larry Buonomo provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Michael Robinson.
- 16. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Chris Johnson provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Robert Osborne.
- 17. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Chris Johnson provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Thomas Gottschalk.
- 18. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Chris Johnson provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Robert Osborne.
- 19. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Chris Johnson provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Thomas Gottschalk.
- 20. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Michael Robinson provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Robert Osborne.
- 21. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Michael Robinson provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Robert Osborne.
- 22. During the pendency of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Robert Osborne provided information about moving stalls experienced in Subject Vehicles to Michael Millikin.
- 23. During the pendency of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Robert Osborne provided information about the defective Ignition Switches to Michael Millikin.
- 24. The Delphi Settlement's reference to the phrase "ignition switch failure" is the defective Ignition Switch.
- 25. Larry Buonomo was involved in or participated in some manner in the Delphi Settlement.
- 26. Larry Buonomo received information that the phrase "ignition switch failure," which is mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement, refers or relates to the defective Ignition Switch.
- 27. Larry Buonomo provided information regarding the "ignition switch failure" mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement to Chris Johnson.
- 28. William Kemp was involved in or participated in some manner in the Delphi Settlement.
- 29. William Kemp received information that the phrase "ignition switch failure," which is mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement, refers or relates to the defective Ignition Switch.

- 30. William Kemp provided information regarding the "ignition switch failure" mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement to Chris Johnson.
- 31. Chris Johnson was involved in or participated in some manner in the Delphi Settlement.
- 32. Chris Johnson received information that the phrase "ignition switch failure," which is mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement, refers or relates to the defective Ignition Switch.
- 33. Chris Johnson provided information regarding the "ignition switch failure" mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement to Robert Osborne.
- 34. Robert Osborne was involved in or participated in some manner in the Delphi Settlement.
- 35. Robert Osborne received information that the "ignition switch failure" mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement refers or relates to the defective Ignition Switch.
- 36. Robert Osborne provided information regarding the "ignition switch failure" mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement to Frederick "Fritz" Henderson.
- 37. Frederick "Fritz" Henderson was involved in or participated in some manner in the Delphi Settlement.
- 38. Frederick "Fritz" Henderson received information that the phrase "ignition switch failure," which is mentioned on the chart attached to the Delphi Settlement, refers or relates to the defective Ignition Switch.
- 39. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, the following Old GM officers, managers, or employees (among others named) were aware of the defective Ignition Switch:
  - (a) Rick Wagoner;
  - (b) Thomas G. Stephens;
  - (c) John Calabrese;
  - (d) Alicia Boler-Davis;
  - (e) Jim Frederico;
  - (f) Terry Woychowski;
  - (g) Each GM employee fired by New GM in connection with the subject matter of the Valukas Report.
- 40. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, the following Old GM officers, managers, or employees (among others named) were aware of the liabilities or potential legal exposure to Old GM arising from or related to the defective Ignition Switch:
  - (a) Rick Wagoner;
  - (b) Thomas G. Stephens;

- (c) John Calabrese;
- (d) Alicia Boler-Davis;
- (e) Jim Frederico;
- (f) Terry Woychowski;
- (g) Each GM employee fired by New GM in connection with the subject matter of the Valukas Report.
- 41. Both Old GM and New GM implemented internal controls and compliance procedures designed to ensure compliance with the reporting and other legal requirements of the Safety Act and TREAD Act.
- 42. Senior compliance officers at Old GM had final authority to report safety issues to NHTSA.
- 43. Old GM's senior compliance officers were senior executives within various departments of Old GM, including the general counsel's office.
- 44. Before entry of the Sale Order, Old GM disclosed the defective Ignition Switch or related potential claims to the U.S. Government.
- 45. Before entry of the Sale Order, Old GM did not disclose the defective Ignition Switch or related potential claims to the U.S. Government.
- 46. Before entry of the Sale Order, Old GM and the U.S. Government had discussions or other communications concerning whether potential claims arising from the defective Ignition Switch should be retained liabilities of Old GM or assumed liabilities of New GM.
- 47. Before entry of the Sale Order, Old GM and the U.S. Government had no discussions or other communications concerning whether potential claims arising from the defective Ignition Switch should be retained liabilities of Old GM or assumed liabilities of New GM.
- 48. Before entry of the Sale Order, Old GM and the U.S. Government reached no agreement concerning whether potential claims arising from the defective Ignition Switch should be retained liabilities of Old GM.
- 49. Prior to the commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Old GM employees who participated in a Company Vehicle Evaluation Program ("CVEP") with respect to the Subject Vehicles submitted incident reports to Old GM that reflected that the Old GM employees experienced moving stalls and/or accidents where the keys moved into the 'Accessory' or 'Off' position.
- 50. Prior to the commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Old GM employees who participated in a CVEP with respect to the Subject Vehicles submitted incident reports to Old GM that reflected that the airbags did not deploy in frontal collisions.

- 51. Prior to the commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Old GM received warranty reports from dealers concerning Subject Vehicles in the CVEP that that the driver experienced moving stalls and/or accidents where the keys moved into the 'Accessory' or 'Off' position.
- 52. Prior to the commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Old GM received warranty reports from dealers concerning Subject Vehicles in the CVEP that that the driver experienced a frontal collision where the airbag did not deploy.
- 53. NHTSA sent nineteen "death inquiries" to GM regarding crashes of Subject Vehicles. Ruiz, Rebecca R. and Ivory, Danielle, *Documents Show General Motors Kept Silent on Fatal Crashes*, New York Times, July 15, 2014.
- 54. A "death inquiry" that an automaker receives from NHTSA requests further information regarding data reported by the automaker in an EWR. Ruiz, Rebecca R. and Ivory, Danielle, *Documents Show General Motors Kept Silent on Fatal Crashes*, New York Times, July 15, 2014.
- 55. NHTSA sent "death inquiries" to GM regarding the fatal crashes of Benjamin Hair and Amy Kosilla, who each were driving Subject Vehicles. Ruiz, Rebecca R. and Ivory, Danielle, *Documents Show General Motors Kept Silent on Fatal Crashes*, New York Times, July 15, 2014.
- 56. In response to these "death inquiries," GM did not explain to NHTSA the cause of the crashes. Ruiz, Rebecca R. and Ivory, Danielle, *Documents Show General Motors Kept Silent on Fatal Crashes*, New York Times, July 15, 2014.
- 57. At the time of those death inquiries, GM was aware that the accident at issue involved a moving stall and airbag non-deployment.
- 58. In connection with NHTSA's death inquiry for the 2006 Wisconsin Fatal Crash, GM told NHTSA that it did not have sufficient reliable information to accurately assess the cause of the incident. Ruiz, Rebecca R. and Ivory, Danielle, *Documents Show General Motors Kept Silent on Fatal Crashes*, New York Times, July 15, 2014.
- 59. At the time of the death inquiry for the 2006 Wisconsin Fatal Crash, GM was aware that the accident at issue involved a moving stall and airbag non-deployment.
- 60. In connection with NHTSA's death inquiry of a 2009 crash of an Subject Vehicle in Tennessee, GM told NHTSA that it had not looked into the circumstances of the crash. Ruiz, Rebecca R. and Ivory, Danielle, *Documents Show General Motors Kept Silent on Fatal Crashes*, New York Times, July 15, 2014.
- 61. At the time GM told NHTSA that it had not looked into the circumstances of the 2009 crash in Tennessee, GM had already in fact conducted a review of that crash. Ruiz,

- Rebecca R. and Ivory, Danielle, *Documents Show General Motors Kept Silent on Fatal Crashes*, New York Times, July 15, 2014.
- 62. At the time of the death inquiry for the 2009 crash in Tennessee, GM was aware that the accident at issue involved a moving stall and airbag non-deployment.
- 63. In each of the six lawsuits involving non-deployment of airbags in Subject Vehicles prior to commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Old GM's legal department was aware that accident related to a moving stall.
- 64. At all times between 2000 through commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Old GM submitted Early Warning Reports ("<u>EWR</u>") to NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR § 579.21(b)(1).
- 65. According to EWRs submitted to NHTSA before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, Old GM had received information about at least 503 accidents in which it was alleged or proved that the death or injury reported in the EWR was caused by a possible defect in Subject Vehicles.
- 66. These accidents reported in Old GM's EWRs before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case include at least:
  - a. 317 claims relating to a Chevrolet Cobalt;
  - b. 98 claims relating to a Saturn Ion;
  - c. 54 claims relating to a Chevrolet HHR;
  - d. 19 claims relating to a Pontiac Solstice;
  - e. 10 claims relating to a Pontiac G5; and
  - f. 5 claims relating to a Saturn Sky.
- 67. Before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, the EWR data was accessible by Old GM.
- 68. Old GM did not disclose to the Bankruptcy Court any of, or only a few of, the 503 or more accidents identified in the EWR data referenced in paragraph 66 hereof or any claims arising therefrom.
- 69. Subsequent to the 363 Sale, New GM submitted EWRs to NHTSA concerning Subject Vehicles.
- 70. Had Old GM conducted a recall of the Subject Vehicles before commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, the recall would have cost Old GM several hundred million dollars or more [or, alternatively, \$ . (NOTE: GM to suggest amount)].
- 71. At some point between 2007 and the commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, John Sprague hypothesized that the defective Ignition Switch caused the airbag non-deployments in some or all of the Subject Vehicles. (V.R. at 9)

- 72. Raymond DeGiorgio was granted authority under Old GM's chain of authority and/or policies and procedures to approve a change to the ignition switch. (V.R. at 101).
- 73. At all times between 2001 and 2008, under Old GM's chain of authority and/or policies and procedures, Raymond DeGiorgio was authorized to approve or disapprove the inclusion and use of an ignition switch in a new vehicle. (V.R. at 101).
- 74. When the ignition switch is turned to Accessory or Off, a Subject Vehicle would lose power brakes. (V.R. at 25).
- 75. In 2003, Old GM became aware of Saturn customer complaints about intermittent engine stalls while driving. (V.R. at 54).
- 76. In October 2003, a Field Performance Report, 3101/2003/US, lists 65 Ion stalls and states: "Customers comment of intermittent stall while driving. In most cases, there are no trouble codes associated with the stall." This Field Performance Report lists a vehicle with 15 miles as the youngest vehicle affected. (V.R. at 54-55).
- 77. Before 2008, a handful of Old GM engineers other than Raymond DeGiorgio also received information describing the change to the Ignition Switch for the model year 2008 Chevrolet Cobalt, including four engineers who received a June 30, 2006 email from Delphi to DeGiorgio stating that the detent plunger had been changed "to increase torque forces to be within specification." (V.R. at 102).
- 78. When first told of the defective Ignition Switch in or about March 2005, Steven Oakley formed the view that the defective Ignition Switch was a safety issue. (V.R. at 76).
- 79. In or about November 15, 2004, one individual was killed and another was severely injured in a crash involving a 2004 Saturn Ion where the airbags did not deploy. (V.R. at 124). Manuel Peace, an Old GM engineer who assisted Old GM's legal department in evaluating cases, did a case evaluation for this incident. (V.R. at 124). In his case evaluation, Peace stated he had never seen a situation like this where the airbags did not deploy, and that the best explanation for why the airbags did not deploy was that the vehicle lost power. (V.R. at 125)
- 80. At some point between 2007 and the commencement of Old GM's bankruptcy case, John Sprague and the Field Performance Assessment team observed a pattern of airbag non-deployments in Cobalts and Ions. (V.R. at 9, 118-19, 134).
- 81. At the time John Sprague and Brian Everest met with Continental, Sprague and Everest knew that the rotation of the ignition switch from Run to Accessory or Off could cause the Sensing and Diagnostic Module to receive a power mode message of Accessory or Off. (V.R. at 135).

- 82. At or about the time of the meeting with Continental in May 2009, Brian Everest and John Sprague had spoken with members of Old GM's Product Investigations group about the non-deployment of airbags in Cobalts. (V.R. at 135).
- 83. Joseph Taylor, an Old GM Program Quality Manager who administered the Captured Test Fleet program for the Chevrolet Cobalt drove a 2005 Cobalt test vehicle and personally experienced moving stalls with the Cobalt. (V.R. at 58).

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

In re:

MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY, et al., f/k/a General Motors Corp., et al.,

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 09-50026 (REG)

(Jointly Administered)

### AGREED UPON AND DISPUTED STIPULATIONS OF FACT REGARDING THE EQUITABLE MOOTNESS THRESHOLD ISSUE

Pursuant to this Court's Supplemental Scheduling Order, Dated July 11, 2014, Regarding (i) the Motion of General Motors LLC Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 and 363 to Enforce the Court's July 5, 2009 Sale Order and Injunction, (ii) the Objection Filed by Certain Plaintiffs in Respect Thereto, and (iii) Adversary Proceeding No. 14-01929 (the "July Scheduling Order"), Wilmington Trust Company, as trustee for and trust administrator of the Motors Liquidation Company GUC Trust (the "GUC Trust"), and certain unaffiliated holders of beneficial units of

Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the July Scheduling Order (as defined herein).

the Motors Liquidation Company GUC Trust (each, a "<u>Unitholder</u>" and collectively, the "<u>Unitholders</u>") hereby submit the following agreed upon stipulations of fact concerning the Equitable Mootness Threshold Issue (the "<u>Equitable Mootness Stipulations</u>").

In addition, annexed hereto as Attachment 1 is the GUC Trust's and the Unitholders' proposed stipulations of fact that have not been agreed to by the other Counsel for the Identified Parties.

#### THE GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION BANKRUPTCY

- 1. On June 1, 2009, General Motors Corporation ("Old GM") and three of its direct and indirect subsidiaries, Saturn, LLC, n/k/a MLCS, LLC ("MLCS"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, n/k/a MLCS Distribution Corporation ("MLCS Distribution"), and Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem Inc., n/k/a MLC of Harlem, Inc. ("MLCS Harlem" and collectively with Old GM, MLCS, and MLCS Distribution, the "Debtors") commenced cases under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court").
- 2. On July 10, 2009, each of the Debtors consummated a sale of substantially all of its assets in a transaction under Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "363 Sale") to an acquisition vehicle, NGMCO, Inc., pursuant to (i) that certain Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated June 26, 2009, among the Debtors and New GM (as amended, the "Sale Agreement"), and (ii) an order of the Bankruptcy Court, dated July 5, 2009 (the "Sale Order"). Following the 363 Sale, Old GM changed its name to Motors Liquidation Company ("MLC") and the acquisition vehicle later became General Motors LLC ("New GM").
- 3. The consideration provided by New GM to the Debtors under the Sale Agreement was set forth in the Sale Decision as follows:

"Old GM is to receive consideration estimated to be worth approximately \$45 billion, plus the value of equity interests that it will receive in New GM. It will come in the following forms:

- a credit bid by the U.S. Treasury and EDC, who will credit bid the
   majority of the indebtedness outstanding under their DIP facility and the
   Treasury Prepetition Loan;
- ii. the assumption by New GM of approximately \$6.7 billion of indebtedness under the DIP facilities, plus an additional \$1.175 billion to be advanced by the U.S. Treasury under a new DIP facility (the 'Wind Down Facility') whose proceeds will be used by Old GM to wind down its affairs;
- iii. the surrender of the warrant that had been issued by Old GM to Treasury in connection with the Treasury Prepetition Loan;
- iv. 10% of the post-closing outstanding shares of New GM [(the "New GM Common Stock")], plus an additional 2% if the estimated amount of allowed prepetition general unsecured claims against Old GM exceeds \$35 billion;
- v. two warrants, each to purchase 7.5% of the post-closing outstanding shares of New GM, with an exercise price based on a \$15 billion equity valuation and a \$30 billion equity valuation, respectively [(the two series of warrants, the "New GM Warrants")]; and
- vi. the assumption of liabilities, including those noted [in the Sale Decision]."

  Sale Decision, at 18-19.
- 4. The New GM Common Stock and both series of New GM Warrants (collectively, the "New GM Securities") are currently listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

- 5. New GM and the Debtors further agreed that New GM would provide additional consideration if the aggregate amount of allowed general unsecured claims against the Debtors exceed \$35 billion. (See Sale Agreement, § 3.2(c)). In that event, New GM will be required to issue additional shares of New GM Common Stock for the benefit of the GUC Trust's beneficiaries. (See id.). The number of additional shares of New GM Common Stock to be issued will be equal to the number of such shares, rounded up to the next whole share, calculated by multiplying (i) 30 million shares (adjusted to take into account any stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, reorganization or similar transaction with respect to such New GM Common Stock from and after the closing of the 363 Sale and before issuance of additional shares) and (ii) a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is the amount by which allowed general unsecured claims exceed \$35 billion (such excess amount being capped at \$7 billion) and (B) the denominator of which is \$7 billion." (See Motors Liquidation Company GUC Trust Quarterly GUC Trust Reports as of September 30, 2013 at 6).
- 6. On September 16, 2009, the Bankruptcy Court entered its Order Pursuant to Section 502(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c)(3) Establishing the Deadline for Filing Proofs of Claim (Including Claims Under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code) and Procedures Relating Thereto and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof (the "Bar Date Order"). (Dkt. No. 4079).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Second Amendment to Sale Agreement, Section 2(r) (amending Section 3.2(c) of the Sale Agreement) ("Sellers may, at any time, seek an Order of the Bankruptcy Court ... estimating the aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates ... [and if] the Bankruptcy Court makes a finding that the estimated allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates exceed \$35,000,000,000, then Purchaser will ... issue additional shares of Common Stock ...."). While the Sale Agreement initially provided for the issuance of up to 10,000,000 additional shares, this number has subsequently been adjusted for the three-for-one split of New GM Common Stock. (See Disclosure Statement for Debtors' Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan at 17-18 n.2). (Dkt. No. 8023).

7. Pursuant to the Bar Date Order, the Bankruptcy Court established November 30, 2009 as the deadline for each person or entity to file a proof of claim against any of the Debtors (the "Bar Date"), and approved the form and manner of notice of the Bar Date. (Bar Date Order at 2 ¶(a)).

#### THE PLAN

- 8. On August 31, 2010, the Debtors filed the *Debtors' Joint Chapter 11 Plan* with the Bankruptcy Court. (Dkt. No. 6829). On March 18, 2011, the Debtors filed the *Debtors' Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan* with the Bankruptcy Court (the "<u>Plan</u>"). (Dkt. No. 9836). The Plan is a plan of liquidation.
- 9. On December 8, 2010, the Debtors filed the *Disclosure Statement for Debtors'*Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan with the Bankruptcy Court (the "Disclosure Statement"). (Dkt. No. 8023).
- 10. On December 8, 2010, the Bankruptcy Court entered an Order Granting Motion (I) Approving Notice of Disclosure Statement Hearing; (II) Approving Disclosure Statement; (III) Establishing a Record Date; (IV) Establishing Notice and Objection Procedures for Confirmation of the Plan; (V) Approving Notice Packages and Procedures for Distribution Thereof; (VI) Approving the Forms of Ballots and Establishing Procedures for Voting on the Plan; and (VII) Approving the Form of Notices to Non-Voting Classes Under the Plan. (Dkt. No. 8043).
- 11. The Plan, as described in the Disclosure Statement designates six (6) distinct classes of claims or equity interests: Class 1 secured claims; Class 2 priority non-tax claims; Class 3 general unsecured claims; Class 4 property environmental claims; Class 5 asbestos personal injury claims; and, Class 6 equity interests in MLC. (Disclosure Statement at 4-8).

- 12. The aggregate amount of General Unsecured Claims filed against the Debtors on or before the Bar Date, as well as the General Unsecured Claims listed on the Debtors' schedules was approximately \$270 billion. (Disclosure Statement at 57).
- 13. The Plan provides for the GUC Trust to be established on the Effective Date (as defined below) under the terms of the Plan and Confirmation Order (as defined below) and the Motors Liquidation Company GUC Trust Agreement dated as of March 30, 2011 (as amended, the "GUC Trust Agreement").
- unsecured claims against the Debtors that existed as of the date the Plan became effective (together with the disputed general unsecured claims asserted against the Debtors that are subsequently allowed, the "Allowed General Unsecured Claims"), the holders of such claims were entitled to receive (upon delivery of any information required by the GUC Trust) approximately 3.80 shares of New GM Common Stock, and approximately 3.46 warrants of each series of New GM Warrants, exclusive of any securities received, or to be received, in respect of GUC Trust Units (as defined below). (See Plan § 6.2; GUC Trust Agreement at Ex. A-1). The holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims were also entitled to receive one unit of beneficial interest in the GUC Trust (a "GUC Trust Unit") for each \$1,000 in amount of Allowed General Unsecured Claims. (Id.). Under the terms of the Plan, holders of disputed general unsecured claims against the Debtors were entitled to receive subsequent distributions of New GM Securities and GUC Trust Units in respect of such claims only if and to the extent that their disputed general unsecured claims were subsequently allowed. (See Plan § 7.4).
- 15. On March 29, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court entered its Findings of Fact,

  Conclusions of Law, and Order Pursuant to Sections 1129(a) and (b) of the Bankruptcy Code

and Rule 3020 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure Confirming Debtors' Second Amended Joint Plan (the "Confirmation Order"). (Dkt. No. 9941).

- 16. The Plan became effective on March 31, 2011 (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"). (Dkt No. 10056).
- 17. The Plan provided that on the Effective Date, the Plan would be deemed to be substantially consummated. (Plan §12.2).
- 18. The Plan has been substantially consummated. See In re Motors Liquidation Co., 462 B.R. 494, 501 n. 36 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2012) ("[T]he Plan already has been substantially consummated").
- 19. On December 15, 2011 (the "<u>Dissolution Date</u>"), as required by the Plan, MLC was dissolved. (*See* Form 10-K Annual Report for Motors Liquidation Company GUC Trust for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2014, filed May 22, 2014 ("<u>GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K</u>") at 3).
- 20. Prior to the confirmation of the Plan by the Bankruptcy Court, certain general unsecured claims were traded.
- Allowed General Unsecured Claims (the "Initial Allowed General Unsecured Claims") (see GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 6); (b) \$8.154 billion in disputed general unsecured claims, which did not include potential Term Loan Avoidance Action Claims (defined below) (id. at 7); and (c) potentially \$1.5 billion in additional general unsecured claims (the "Term Loan Avoidance Action Claims," and together with the disputed general unsecured claims, the "Disputed General Unsecured Claims") as a result of an avoidance action styled Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Motors Liquidation Co. v. JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. et al., Adv. Pro. No 09-00504 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. July 31, 2009) (the "JPM Action").

- 22. The plaintiff in the JPM Action seeks to recover approximately \$1.5 billion in payments made by Old GM to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., on behalf of a consortium of prepetition lenders (the "JPM Action Defendants").
- 23. On the Dissolution Date, the right to prosecute the JPM Action was transferred to a trust established under the Plan for the purpose of holding and prosecuting the JPM Action (the "Avoidance Action Trust"). The Avoidance Action Trust is separate from the GUC Trust. The JPM Action is now being prosecuted by the Avoidance Action Trust and is currently on appeal to the Second Circuit. Wilmington Trust Company acts as Trustee for each of the Avoidance Action Trust and the GUC Trust.
- 24. The Bankruptcy Court rendered a decision in the JPM Action. Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Motors Liquidation Co. v. JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. et al., 486 B.R. 596 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2013).
- 25. The Second Circuit certified a question of law to the Delaware Supreme Court in the JPM Action. Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Motors Liquidation Co. v. JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. et al., Case No. 13-2187-bk (2d Cir. June 17, 2014).
- 26. If the plaintiff is successful in the JPM Action, and any subsequent ancillary proceedings, and any JPM Defendant(s) actually disgorges funds to the Avoidance Action Trust in connection therewith, any such JPM Action Defendant will be treated as an allowed general unsecured creditor of MLC with Term Loan Avoidance Action Claims equaling the amount that they actually disgorge to the Avoidance Action Trust (which, in the aggregate, could be up to \$1.5 billion, exclusive of prejudgment interest). The beneficiaries of any amounts ultimately disgorged by the JPM Action Defendants is a matter of dispute, as both the lenders that provided MLC with debtor-in-possession financing (the "DIP Lenders"), and the Committee, on behalf of holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims, are each claiming an exclusive right to such

proceeds. Although the Bankruptcy Court granted summary judgment in favor of the Committee, finding that the holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims were the proper beneficiaries of the Avoidance Action Trust (and thus the proceeds of the JPM Action), the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "District Court") vacated the Bankruptcy Court's decision and order for want of subject matter jurisdiction. The District Court specifically found that the issue regarding the identity of the proper beneficiaries of the Avoidance Action Trust was not and would not be ripe for adjudication unless and until the JPM Action were decided in favor of the Avoidance Action Trust. In the event that it is determined that the holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims are entitled to the proceeds (if any) of the JPM Action, then such proceeds (if any) will be contributed to the Avoidance Action Trust, for distribution to the holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims (following the reimbursement of certain fees and expenses to the DIP Lenders).

27. If the defendants are successful in the JPM Action (including with respect to any appeals), \$1.5 billion of Disputed General Unsecured Claims will be eliminated from Old GM's bankruptcy estate, and certain of the New GM Securities that have been reserved will be available for distribution. As of the Effective Date, the total aggregate amount of general unsecured claims, both allowed and disputed, asserted against the Debtors, including potential Term Loan Avoidance Action Claims, was approximately \$39.426 billion. (See April 21, 2011 Form 8-K of the Motors Liquidation GUC Trust at 4).

#### The GUC Trust

28. The GUC Trust was formed on March 30, 2011 as a statutory trust under the Delaware Statutory Trust Act. (See GUC Trust Agreement at 13, Article II, § 2.1). The GUC Trust is, among other things, responsible for implementing the Plan, including distributing New GM Securities and GUC Trust Units to holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims in

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satisfaction of their claims, resolving Disputed General Unsecured Claims that were outstanding as of the Effective Date, distributing New GM Securities and GUC Trust Units in satisfaction of such Disputed General Unsecured Claims that are subsequently allowed, and resolving remaining disputed administrative expense claims, priority tax claims, priority non-tax claims and secured claims against the Debtors. (See id. at 3, Background § G).

- 29. The "GUC Trust Beneficiaries" are as defined in the GUC Trust Agreement in Background § F.
- 30. As of the Effective Date, the corpus of the GUC Trust consisted of approximately \$52.7 million in cash contributed by the Debtors to fund the administrative fees and expenses (including certain tax obligations) incurred by the GUC Trust in administering its duties pursuant to the Plan and the GUC Trust Agreement (the "Administrative Fund"). (See GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 3). The cash comprising the Administrative Fund was obtained by MLC from the DIP Lenders and is subject to a lien held by the DIP Lenders, with any excess funds remaining in the Administrative Fund required to be returned to the DIP Lenders, according to the GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K, after (i) the satisfaction in full of all Wind Down Costs and other liabilities of the GUC Trust (subject to the terms of the GUC Trust Agreement), and (ii) the winding up of the GUC Trust's affairs. (Id.). The Administrative Fund cannot be used to make distributions to holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims. (Id.).
- 31. Pursuant to the Plan, on the Dissolution Date, MLC transferred to the GUC Trust (i) record ownership of all of its then remaining New GM Securities, which consisted of 30,967,561 shares of New GM Common Stock, 28,152,186 New GM Series A Warrants and 28,152,186 New GM Series B Warrants, (ii) approximately \$2.0 million designated for certain public reporting costs, and (iii) approximately \$1.4 million designated for reimbursing the indenture trustees and the fiscal and paying agents under the Debtors' prepetition debt issuances

for costs associated with, among other things, administering distributions to registered holders of the Debtors' prepetition debt issuances. (See GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 4).

- 32. Under the terms of the GUC Trust Agreement, the GUC Trust Administrator is authorized to determine whether the GUC Trust may be entitled to receive a distribution of additional New GM Common Stock as a result of the aggregate amount of Allowed General Unsecured Claims exceeding \$35 billion, and, if the GUC Trust is so entitled, to request the issuance of such additional shares by New GM to the GUC Trust. (See GUC Trust Agreement, § 2.3(d)).
- basis, the excess assets of the GUC Trust, including additional New GM Securities (if and to the extent such New GM Securities are not required for satisfaction of the Resolved Allowed Claims), Dividend Cash associated with such additional New GM Securities and Other Administrative Cash, if any, available for distribution in respect of the GUC Trust Units, either through a periodic distribution as provided for under the GUC Trust Agreement, or upon the dissolution of the GUC Trust, in each case subject to the terms and conditions of the GUC Trust Agreement and the Plan." (GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 5-6).

#### **GUC TRUST DISTRIBUTIONS**

34. On April 21, 2011, and as supplemented by a distribution completed on or around May 26, 2011, an initial distribution (the "<u>Initial Distribution</u>") of more than 75% of the New GM Securities then held by the GUC Trust was made to the holders of Initial Allowed General Unsecured Claims. (*See* April 21, 2011 Form 8-K of the Motors Liquidation GUC Trust at 2).<sup>3</sup>

Prior to December 15, 2011, the date on which all remaining New GM Securities held by MLC were transferred by MLC to the GUC Trust, the GUC Trust either requisitioned New GM Securities from MLC and itself made the

- 35. According to the GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K, the New GM Securities that were not distributed in the Initial Distribution were the New GM Securities that would be necessary to pay the holders of Disputed General Unsecured Claims that become Allowed General Unsecured Claims (the "Resolved Allowed Claims"), New GM Securities associated with holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims that had not provided sufficient information to the GUC Trust to permit distribution ("Information Deficient Claims"), and those New GM Securities that were otherwise set aside from distribution ("Set Aside Securities") for the purposes of funding then-current or projected liquidation and administrative costs and other liabilities of the GUC Trust (including income taxes). The distributable assets currently held by the GUC Trust are set forth in the GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K.
- 36. The GUC Trust Agreement sets forth provisions relating to when distributions should be made.
- 37. According to the GUC Trust Agreement, "[a]s promptly as practicable following the beginning of each calendar quarter, beginning with the second calendar quarter, the GUC Trust Administrator, with the approval of the GUC Trust Monitor, shall deliver to each holder, if any, of a Disputed General Unsecured Claim or other Claim that has become a Resolved Allowed General Unsecured Claim during the prior calendar quarter (or, in the case of the second calendar quarter, since the Initial Distribution Record Date) a distribution consisting of . . . the pro rata amount of GUC Trust Distributable Assets that the holder of such Resolved Allowed General Unsecured Claim would have received had such Resolved Allowed General Unsecured Claim been an Initial Allowed General Unsecured Claim," and "a number of Units"

<sup>[</sup>Footnote continued from previous page]

distribution of the New GM Securities, or requested that MLC make the distributions to the accounts of allowed claim holders designated by the GUC Trust. After December 15, 2011, all distributions of New GM Securities were made directly by the GUC Trust.

as provided in the GUC Trust Agreement." (See GUC Trust Agreement, Article V, §5.3(a); see also GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 6)).

- 38. The GUC Trust made quarterly distributions on July 28, 2011, October 28, 2011, January 13, 2012, April 27, 2012, August 3, 2012, November 5, 2012, February 8, 2013, May 10, 2013, August 9, 2013, October 31, 2013 and May 9, 2014, each in respect of Disputed General Unsecured Claims that were resolved in the immediately preceding fiscal quarter. (GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 6).
- Order") approving a settlement agreement (the "Nova Scotia Settlement") relating to claims arising from the 8.375% guaranteed notes due December 7, 2015 and the 8.875% guaranteed notes due July 10, 2023, in each case issued in 2003 by General Motors Nova Scotia Finance Company (the "Nova Scotia Claims"). (GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 12). Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, the Nova Scotia Claims were reduced and allowed in an aggregate amount of \$1.55 billion. As a result, on or about December 2, 2013, in accordance with the Nova Scotia Settlement and the Nova Scotia Order, the GUC Trust made a distribution solely to holders of the allowed Nova Scotia Claims, consisting of, in the aggregate, 6,174,015 shares of New GM Common Stock, 5,612,741 New GM Series A Warrants, 5,612,741 New GM Series B Warrants, and 1,550,000 GUC Trust Units. (*Id.*).
- 40. In addition, on or about December 23, 2013, in accordance with the Nova Scotia Settlement and the Nova Scotia Order, the GUC Trust made a special distribution of Excess GUC Trust Distributable Assets to all holders of GUC Trust Units, consisting of 6,735,070 shares of New GM Common Stock, 6,122,789 New GM Series A Warrants, and 6,122,789 New GM Series B Warrants. (*Id.*).

41. The following table details the New GM Securities that have been distributed to holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims by the GUC Trust:

	Shares of New GM Common Stock	A Warrants	B Warrants
April 21, 2011	113,194,172	102,903,821	102,903,821
Distribution:	, .	, ,	
July 28, 2011	3,342,831	3,038,936	3,038,936
Distribution:			
October 28, 2011	2,468,218	2,243,834	2,243,834
Distribution:			
January 13, 2012	188,180	171,074	171,074
Distribution:			
April 27, 2012	450,555	409,612	409,612
Distribution:			
August 3, 2012	484,553	440,510	440,510
Distribution:			
November 2, 2012	116,508	105,910	105,910
Distribution:			
February 8, 2013	42,151	38,325	38,325
Distribution:			4045
May 10, 2013	115,029	104,570	104,570
Distribution:			
August 9, 2013	221,014	200,924	200,924
Distribution:			20.200
October 31, 2013	42,122	38,293	38,293
Distribution:		7.610.711	6.610.741
December 2, 2013	6,174,015	5,612,741	5,612,741
Nova Scotia		•	
Settlement			
Distribution:	10.010	20.251	20.271
May 9, 2014	43,310	39,371	39,371
Distribution:			

Available at https://www.mlcguctrust.com/FAQDocuments.aspx.

42. As of March 31, 2014, the GUC Trust has distributed (or was obligated to distribute), in the aggregate, 134,106,321 shares of New GM Common Stock, 121,914,975 of each series of New GM Warrants and 31,853,702 GUC Trust Units in respect of Allowed General Unsecured Claims aggregating approximately \$31.854 billion. (GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 6).

#### CLAIMS AGAINST THE GUC TRUST AND GUC TRUST ASSETS

- 43. According to the GUC Trust, Allowed General Unsecured Claims, as of March 31, 2014, totaled approximately \$31.854 billion.
- 44. As of March 31, 2014, the Maximum Amount (as such term is defined in and calculated in accordance with the GUC Trust Agreement) of Disputed General Unsecured Claims (inclusive of the potential Term Loan Avoidance Action Claims) totaled approximately \$1.579 billion. (GUC Trust 2014 Form 10-K at 51). In the event such claims become Allowed General Unsecured Claims, the GUC Trust will distribute to the holders of such claims their prorata distribution of New GM Securities.
- According to the GUC Trust, the GUC Trust's aggregate holdings of New GM Securities (*i.e.*, New GM Common Stock and New GM Warrants), at fair value, as of March 31, 2014, was \$1.1 billion. The \$1.1 billion includes certain assets that have been reserved or set aside to fund the GUC Trust's potential costs of liquidation and potential tax liabilities. Specifically, New GM Securities aggregating \$51.6 million (excluding related dividend cash) have been reserved, or set aside, for projected GUC Trust fees, costs and expenses to be incurred beyond 2014 (including \$3.5 million for projected dividend taxes), and \$536.3 million (excluding related dividend cash) of New GM Securities have been reserved, or set aside, for potential taxes on distribution. As a result, as of March 31, 2014, the number of New GM Securities included in the GUC Trust's aggregate holdings of New GM Securities, includes an aggregate of 8,072,042 shares of New GM Common Stock, 7,338,194 New GM Series A Warrants, and 7,338,194 New GM Series B Warrants, which have been so reserved or set aside.
- 46. According to the GUC Trust, with respect to distributable assets, as of March 31, 2014, the GUC Trust held remaining distributable assets (which, for the avoidance of doubt, excluded Set Aside Securities and New GM Securities associated with the Information Deficient

Claims) of 7,138,543 shares of New GM Common Stock, 6,489,475 of each series of New GM Warrants, and \$2,141,564 of dividend cash, which have all been set aside in respect of current Disputed General Unsecured Claims (including the potential Term Loan Avoidance Action Claims), and will be distributed to the holders of such claims in the event that they become Resolved Allowed Claims. (*Id.* at 31).

#### TRADING OF GUC TRUST UNITS

- 47. Pursuant to a No Action Letter received from the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on May 23, 2012 (the "No Action Letter"), the GUC Trust Units are transferable in accordance with the procedures of the Depository Trust Company ("DTC") and its direct and indirect participants.
- 48. While the No Action Letter allows for the transferability of GUC Trust Units in accordance with DTC procedures, the GUC Trust may not encourage the transfer of the GUC Trust Units it has distributed pursuant to the GUC Trust Agreement, and may not take any actions to facilitate or promote a trading market in the GUC Trust Units.
- 49. Beginning April 28, 2011, and quarterly thereafter, the GUC Trust has made public securities filings that reflected the then-current amount of outstanding Disputed General Unsecured Claims. With each public filing, the GUC Trust adjusted the then-current amount of outstanding Allowed General Unsecured Claims and outstanding Disputed General Unsecured Claims to reflect the resolution of the Disputed General Unsecured Claims.
- 50. The GUC Trust has also filed quarterly reports (the "GUC Trust Reports") with the Bankruptcy Court which reflected the then-current amount of Allowed General Unsecured Claims and Disputed General Unsecured Claims.
- 51. As of June 14, 2012, the GUC Trust Units became freely tradable OTC, and are quoted on Bloomberg Finance, L.P.

- 52. Each of the GUC Trust Reports published by the GUC Trust set forth the then current aggregate amount of Allowed General Unsecured Claims and the Maximum Amount (as such term is defined in and calculated in accordance with the GUC Trust Agreement) of all Disputed General Unsecured Claims, adjusted to reflect the disposition of Disputed General Unsecured Claims to date. The Maximum Amount of Allowed General Unsecured Claims, as reflected in the quarterly GUC Trust Reports, has continually gone down over time.
- 53. The March 31, 2014 GUC Trust Report indicates that the total aggregate amount of claims (allowed and disputed) is \$33,433,130. (March 31, 2014 GUC Trust Report, Ex. A).
- 54. Counsel for the Identified Parties may refer to reports by Bloomberg Finance,

  L.P. for information relating to trading volume of the GUC Trust Units and the daily prices of

  GUC Trust Units.

### THE PLAN'S STATEMENTS REGARDING GUC TRUST BENEFICIARIES

provision of the Plan, the Confirmation Order or this Trust Agreement, and no mere enumeration herein of the rights or privileges of any GUC Trust Beneficiary, shall give rise to any liability of such GUC Trust Beneficiary solely in its capacity as such, whether such liability is asserted by any Debtor, by creditors or employees of any Debtor, or by any other Person. GUC Trust Beneficiaries are deemed to receive the GUC Trust Distributable Assets in accordance with the provisions of the Plan, the Confirmation Order and this Trust Agreement in exchange for their Allowed General Unsecured Claims or on account of their Units, as applicable, without further obligation or liability of any kind, subject to the provisions of this Trust Agreement." (GUC Trust Agreement, § 3.2).

#### **NEW GM'S RECALLS**

- 56. On February 7, 2014, New GM sent a letter (the "February 7 Letter") to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("NHTSA") indicating that New GM, through its Executive Field Action Decision Committee, decided "to conduct a safety related recall for certain 2005-2007 model year Chevrolet Cobalt and 2007 model year Pontiac G5 vehicles." An attachment to the February 7 Letter indicates that 619,122 vehicles were potentially involved in the recall.
- 57. On February 25, 2014, New GM sent another letter to NHTSA (the "February 25 Letter"). The February 25 Letter indicates that on February 24, 2014, New GM, through its Executive Field Action Decision Committee, decided "to conduct a safety recall" for 2003-2007 model years Saturn Ion, 2006-2007 model years Chevrolet HHR, 2006-2007 model years Pontiac Solstice, and 2007 model year Saturn Sky vehicles (collectively with the recall described in the February 7 Letter, the "Ignition Switch Recall"). An attachment to the February 25 Letter reflects that 748,024 vehicles were potentially involved in this recall.
- 58. On February 25, 2014, New GM publicly announced that it was expanding the Ignition Switch Recall to include the 2003-2007 model years Saturn Ion, 2006-2007 model years Chevrolet HHR, 2006-2007 model years Pontiac Solstice, and 2007 model year Saturn Sky vehicles.
- 59. On March 28, 2014, New GM sent a letter to NHTSA indicating that on March 20, 2014, New GM, acting through its Executive Field Action Decision Committee, decided "to conduct a safety related recall" of "Ignition & Start Switches manufactured in Mexico by: Delphi Packard Electrical/Electronic Architecture" (the "March 28 Letter"). The March 28 Letter explains that

[New GM] has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in GM Parts and ACDelco Ignition & Start Switch service part number 10392423,

and the following Ignition & Start Switch Housing Kits that contain or may contain part number 10392423: GM Parts and ACDelco service part numbers 10392737, 15857948, 15854953, 15896640, and 25846762. [New GM] records indicate these service parts may have been installed during repairs in some 2008-2010 MY Chevrolet Cobalt, 2008-2011 MY Chevrolet HHR, 2008-2010 MY Pontiac Solstice, 2008-2010 MY Pontiac G5, and 2008-2010 MY Saturn Sky vehicles.

- 60. The March 28 Letter also states that "[t]he ignition switch torque performance on vehicles repaired with GM Parts and ACDelco Ignition & Start Switch part number 10392423 or assemblies that contain part number 10392423 may not meet General Motors' specification."
- 61. The March 28 Letter further states that on March 27, 2014, New GM acting through its Executive Field Action Decision Committee, decided that "to provide a comprehensive remedy, GM will replace the ignition switch on all 2008-2010 MY Chevrolet Cobalt, 2008-2011 MY Chevrolet HHR, 2008-2010 MY Pontiac Solstice, 2008-2010 MY Pontiac G5, and 2008-2010 MY Saturn Sky vehicles in order to replace all potentially suspect service parts."
- 62. Through an attachment to the March 28 Letter, New GM reported that 823,788 vehicles were potentially involved in this recall.
- 63. On March 28, 2014, New GM issued a press release stating that it would "replace the ignition switch in all model years of its Chevrolet Cobalt, HHR, Pontiac G5, Solstice, and Saturn Ion and Sky" in the U.S. since faulty ignition switches may have been used to repair the vehicles (the "March 28 Announcement"). (See <a href="http://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm/news.">http://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm/news.</a> detail.html/content/Pages/news/us/en/2014/mar/0328-ignition-service.html).
- 64. In its March 28 Announcement, New GM explained that "[a]bout 95,000 faulty switches were sold to dealers and aftermarket wholesalers," of which "about 90,000 were used to repair older vehicles that were repaired before they were recalled in February," and that "[b]ecause it is not feasible to track down all the parts, the company is taking the extraordinary

step of recalling 824,000 more vehicles in the U.S. to ensure that every car has a current ignition switch."

- 65. On April 10, 2014, New GM filed a Form 8-K with the SEC. According to the press release attached thereto as Exhibit 99.1, New GM added "ignition lock cylinders to its safety recall of 2.2 million older model cars in the United States." The press release states that the cars covered by this recall were 2003-2007 model years Saturn Ion, 2005-2010 model years Chevrolet Cobalt, 2006-2010 model years Pontiac Solstice, 2007-2010 model years Pontiac G5, 2007-2010 model years Saturn Sky, and 2006-2011 model years Chevrolet HHR, and that "the cylinders can allow removal of the ignition key while the engine is running, leading to a possible rollaway, crash and occupant or pedestrian injuries."
- 66. On March 17, 2014, New GM filed a Form 8-K with the SEC regarding three safety recalls involving approximately 1.5 million vehicles (collectively, the "March 17 Recall"). The March 17, 2014 press release attached thereto as Exhibit 99.1 states that the three recalls cover:
  - (a) 303,000 2009-2014 model years Chevrolet Express and GMC Savana vehicles with gross vehicle weight under 10,000 pounds, which New GM stated "do not comply with a head impact requirement for unrestrained occupants, requiring a rework of the passenger instrument panel material;"
  - (b) 63,900 2013-2014 model years Cadillac XTS full-size sedans, in which pressure created by a brake booster pump can "lead to the dislodging of a plug in the brake booster pump relay, allowing corrosive elements to enter the connector and form a low-resistance short that could lead to overheating, melting of plastic components and a possible engine compartment fire;" and
  - (c) 1.18 million 2008-2013 model years Buick Enclave and GMC Acadia, 2009-2013 model years Chevrolet Traverse, and 2008-2010 model years Saturn Outlook vehicles to correct for "the non-deployment of the side impact restraints, which include driver and passenger seat-mounted side air bags, front center air bag (if equipped), and the seat belt pretensioners."

GM Redoubles Safety Efforts, Announces New Recalls, Mar. 17, 2014.4

- 67. On April 1, 2014, New GM filed a Form 8-K with the SEC regarding a safety recall of approximately 1.3 million vehicles "for the correction of electric power steering assist conditions" (the "Power Steering Assist Recall"). The March 31, 2014 press release attached thereto as Exhibit 99.1 describes a potential "sudden loss of electric power steering assist" occurring in the recalled vehicles, which include:
  - a. Chevrolet Malibu: All model year 2004 and 2005, and some model year
     2006 and model year 2008 and 2009 vehicles;
  - b. Chevrolet Malibu Maxx: All model year 2004 and 2005, and some 2006 model year;
  - c. Chevrolet HHR (Non-Turbo): Some model year 2009 and 2010 vehicles;
  - d. Chevrolet Cobalt: Some model year 2010 vehicles;
  - e. Saturn Aura: Some model year 2008 and 2009 vehicles;
  - f. Saturn ION: All model year 2004 to 2007 vehicles;
  - g. Pontiac G6: All model year 2005, and some model year 2006 and model year 2008 and 2009 vehicles; and
  - h. Service parts installed into certain vehicles before May 31, 2010 under a previous safety recall.

GM Recalls Older Model Vehicles to Fix Power Steering, Mar. 31, 2014.

68. In its March 31, 2014 press release, New GM states that the 2004-2007 model years Saturn Ion, the 2009-2010 model years Chevrolet HHR, and the 2010 model year Chevrolet Cobalt "are included in previously announced recalls for ignition switches that may

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Available at http://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm (last visited June 2, 2014).

not meet GM specification for torque performance" and that "[r]epairs for the ignition switch and power steering assist may require separate dealership visits depending on parts availability."

(Id.).

- 69. On May 15, 2014, New GM filed a Form 8-K with the SEC concerning five additional safety recalls involving approximately 2.7 million vehicles (collectively, the "May 15 Recall"). According to New GM's May 15, 2014 press release attached thereto as Exhibit 99.1, the "largest recall" among the May 15 Recall involves 2,440,524 2004-2012 model years Chevrolet Malibu, 2004-2007 model years Chevrolet Malibu Maxx, 2005-2010 model years Pontiac G6 and 2007-2010 model years Saturn Aura vehicles in the U.S. to "modify the brake lamp wiring harness." The "[a]ffected vehicles could have a corrosion develop in the wiring harness for the body control module" and the "condition could result in brake lamps failing to illuminate when the brakes are applied," "brake lamps illuminating when the brakes are not engaged," and the disabling of "cruise control, traction control, electronic stability control, and panic braking assist operation." *GM Announces Five Safety Recalls*, May 15, 2014.<sup>5</sup>
- 70. The May 15 Recall also includes the recall of more than 111,889 2005-2007 model years Chevrolet Corvettes "for [a] potential loss of low-beam headlamp operation" that "could reduce the driver's visibility, increasing the risk of a crash." (*Id.*).
  - 71. The remaining recalls announced through the May 15 Recall cover:
  - (a) 140,067 2014 model year Chevrolet Malibu vehicles due to the "disabling of hydraulic brake boost that can require greater pedal efforts;"
  - (b) 19,225 2013-2014 model years Cadillac CTS vehicles "for a condition in which the windshield wiper system may become inoperable after a vehicle jump start with wipers active and restricted, such as by ice and snow," causing a "[p]otential lack of visibility [that] could increase the risk of a crash;" and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Available at http://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm (last visited June 2, 2014).

(c) 477 2014 model year Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra vehicles and 2015 model year Chevrolet Tahoe vehicles, in which an "attachment to the steering gear rack . . . may not be tightened to specification," potentially leading a "crash [to] occur without warning."

(Id.).

- 72. On May 20, 2014, New GM filed a Form 8-K with the SEC concerning four new safety recalls involving approximately 2.42 million vehicles (the "May 20 Recall"). The May 20, 2014 press release attached thereto as Exhibit 99.1 indicates that the May 20 Recall covers:
  - (a) 1,339,355 2009-2014 model years Buick Enclave, Chevrolet Traverse, and GMC Acadia vehicles and 2009-2010 model years Saturn Outlook vehicles "because front safety lap belt cables can fatigue and separate over time" and during a crash, "a separated cable could increase the risk of injury to front seat passengers;"
  - (b) 1,075,102 "previous generation" 4-speed automatic transmission and 2004-2008 model years Chevrolet Malibu and 2005-2008 model years Pontiac G6 vehicles "because of a shift cable that could wear out over time," potentially preventing the driver from "select[ing] a different gear, remov[ing] the key from the ignition, or plac[ing] the transmission in park;"
  - (c) 1,402 2015 model year Cadillac Escalades and Escalade ESV vehicles "because an insufficiently heated plastic weld that attaches the passenger side air bag to the instrument panel assembly could result in a partial deployment of the air bag in the event of a crash," leading New GM to stop sale of all 2015 Escalade and Escalade ESV vehicles and to contact customers who had taken delivery of these vehicles to instruct them "to not let occupants sit in the front passenger seat until the vehicle has been serviced;" and
  - (d) 58 2015 model year Chevrolet Silverado HD and GMC Sierra HD vehicles "because retention clips attaching the generator fuse block to the vehicle body can become loose and lead to a potential fire."

GM Recalls 2.42 Million Vehicles in Four U.S. Recalls, May 16, 2014.6

73. On June 16, 2014, New GM filed a Form 8-K with the SEC "regarding safety recalls of certain models primarily to rework or replace the ignition keys on approximately 3.16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Available at http://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm (last visited June 2, 2014).

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million U.S. cars from the 2000 to 2014 model years" (collectively, the "June 16 Recall").

According to New GM's June 16, 2014 press release attached thereto as Exhibit 99.1, the June 16 Recall involves 2005-2009 model years Buick Lacrosse, 2006-2014 model years Chevrolet Impala, 2000-2005 model years Cadillac Deville, 2004-2011 model years Cadillac DTS, 2006-2011 model years Buick Lucerne, 2004-2005 model years Buick Regal LS & GS, and 2006-2008 model years Chevy Monte Carlo vehicles.

- 74. In an interview dated June 26, 2014 with Matt Lauer of the Today Show, Mary Barra, Chief Executive Officer of New GM, was asked whether New GM would be issuing additional recalls. Ms. Barra responded: "It's—it's possible."
- 75. On June 30, 2014, New GM filed a Form 8-K with the SEC concerning additional safety recalls covering approximately 7.6 million vehicles in the U.S. (collectively, the "June 30 Recall"). According to New GM's June 30, 2014 press release attached thereto as Exhibit 99.1, the June 30 Recall involves about 7.6 million vehicles from the 1997 to 2014 model years and relates to "inadvertent ignition key rotation." (*Id.*).
- 76. On July 23, 2014, New GM announced six additional safety recalls covering a total of 717,949 vehicles in the U.S. (collectively, the "July 23 Recall"). According to New GM's July 23, 2014 press release, the recalls cover vehicles from model years 2010 through 2015 and pertain to safety-related defects in those vehicles' front turn signals, front-turn signal bulbs, roof-rail air bags, electric power steering, power height adjustable seats, lower control arm bolts, and incomplete welds on seat hook bracket assemblies.
- 77. The Ignition Switch Recall, the March 17 Recall, the Power Steering Assist Recall, the May 15 Recall, the May 20 Recall, the June 16 Recall, the June 30 Recall, and the July 23 Recall are among the recalls that New GM has issued since January 1, 2014, but they are not the only recalls New GM has announced since that time. According to New GM, 25,484,746

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vehicles in the U.S. from model years 1997-2015 have been recalled since January 13, 2014 to date. See GM Q1 and Q2 2014 North American Recalls Including Exports.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Available at http://media.gm.com/content/dam/Media/images/US/Release\_Images/2014/05-2014/recalls/Recalls-Running-Total.jpg (last visited July 28, 2014).

# Attachment 1

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## THE GUC TRUST'S AND UNITHOLDERS' PROPOSED STIPULATIONS OF FACT NOT AGREED TO BY OTHER COUNSEL FOR THE IDENTIFIED PARTIES

- 1. As of August 8, 2014, New GM has not confirmed that there will not be additional recalls of vehicles relating to the Ignition Switch.
- 2. As of March 31, 2014, the sum of (i) Allowed General Unsecured Claims (approximately \$31.854 billion, as reported in paragraph 45 of the Equitable Mootness Stipulations) and (ii) the Maximum Amount (as such term is defined in and calculated in accordance with the GUC Trust Agreement) of Disputed General Unsecured Claims that could become Resolved Allowed Claims (approximately \$1.579 billion, as reported in paragraph 46 of the Equitable Mootness Stipulations) totaled approximately \$33.433 billion.
- 3. Based on closing prices of New GM Securities, as reported by Bloomberg Finance, L.P., as of July 16, 2014, the total value of GUC Trust assets set aside for distribution in respect of current Disputed General Unsecured Claims (including the potential Term Loan Avoidance Action Claims) is approximately \$576,905,901.
- 4. While certain late claims have been allowed in the Old GM bankruptcy case, less than 1% (0.093%) of total allowed claims as of the Bar Date were allowed subsequent to the Bar Date but before the Effective Date, and less than 1% (0.147%) of total allowed claims as of the Bar Date were allowed subsequent to the Bar Date and after the Effective Date.
- 5. As reported by Bloomberg Finance L.P., as of July 14, 2014, approximately 96 million GUC Trust Units have been bought and sold since June 14, 2012.
- 6. As reported by Bloomberg Finance L.P., as of July 14, 2014, the aggregate trading value of the GUC Trust Units that have traded since June 14, 2012 (based on daily closing prices) totals approximately \$1.993 billion.

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7. On August 8, 2014, New GM announced five new safety recalls of 269,001 model years 2002-2004, 2009-2010, and 2013-2015 vehicles (collectively, the "August 8 Recall"). *GM Announces Recalls*, Aug. 8, 2014. Among the vehicles recalled through the August 8 Recall are 202,115 model years 2002-2004 Saturn VUEs "because the ignition key can possibly be removed when the vehicle is not in the off position." According to New GM, New GM has recalled 25,754,356 vehicles in the U.S. from model years 1997-2015 since January 13, 2014 to date. *See* GM 2014 Year-to-Date North American Recalls Including Exports.

<sup>8</sup> Available at <a href="http://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm/news.detail.html/content/Pages/news/us/en/2014/Aug/0808-recalls.html">http://media.gm.com/media/us/en/gm/news.detail.html/content/Pages/news/us/en/2014/Aug/0808-recalls.html</a> (last visited Aug. 8, 2014).

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