

If You Bought a TV, Monitor, or Notebook Computer That Contained a Flat Panel Screen Lawsuits and Settlements Could Affect You.

There are lawsuits involving the price of thin film transistor liquid crystal display (“TFT-LCD”) Flat Panels purchased indirectly from the Defendants. “Indirectly” means that you purchased the TFT-LCD Flat Panel from someone other than the manufacturer of the Flat Panel.

Settlements have been reached with seven Defendants (Chimei Innolux Corp.; Chunghwa Picture Tubes Ltd.; Epson Imaging Devices Corp.; HannStar Display Corp.; Hitachi Displays, Ltd.; Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.; and Sharp Corp.). Three Defendants (AU Optronics Corp.; LG Display Co. Ltd.; Toshiba Corp.; and their U.S. affiliates) have not agreed to settle so the lawsuits continue against them.

What are the lawsuits about?

The lawsuits claim that the Defendants conspired to fix, raise, maintain or stabilize prices of TFT-LCD Flat Panels resulting in overcharges to consumers who bought products containing the panels. The litigation is asking for money and an order to stop the Defendants’ alleged behavior that is the subject of these lawsuits. The Defendants deny Plaintiffs’ allegations or that indirect purchasers suffered any overcharge. The Court has not decided who is right.

Who is included in the lawsuits?

The case is proceeding to recover money for consumers in 24 states and the District of Columbia and governmental entities in eight states, and for nationwide injunctive relief to stop the Defendants’ alleged behavior.

Statewide Damages Classes: Generally, include any person or business that indirectly purchased TFT-LCD panels incorporated in TVs, monitors and/or notebook computers from one or more of the Defendants or Quanta Display Inc., from 1999 to 2006, for their own use and not for resale, while residing in the 24 states or DC. The purchase must have been made in the same state where the person or business resided. The specific class definitions, including exceptions to Class membership, are available at www.LCDclass.com.

The 24 states are: AZ, AR, CA, FL, HI, IA, KS, ME, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NV, NM, NY, NC, ND, RI, SD, TN, VT, WV and WI.

Nationwide Class: Includes any person or business that indirectly purchased in the U.S., TFT-LCD panels incorporated in TVs, monitors and/or notebook computers, from one or more of the Defendants or Quanta Display Inc., between 1999 and the present, for their own use and not for resale, and reside in the U.S. as of the date of this notice.

Attorneys General Actions: The Attorneys General of AR, CA, FL, MI, MO, NY, WV and WI are participating in these Settlements to resolve related claims arising from the same allegations as asserted in the class actions: (1) on behalf of state residents under the doctrine of *parens patriae*, which allows a state to bring a lawsuit on behalf of its citizens, and/or for governmental entities; and (2) for civil penalties.

What do the Settlements provide?

There are seven Settlements, totaling \$538,555,647, being presented to the Court for approval. Any interest earned will be added to the Settlement Fund. The Settlement Fund will be used to pay individual and business consumers in the 24 states and DC, and governmental entity consumers in the eight states. Some Settling Defendants also are paying civil penalties to the Attorneys General. More details are in Settlement Agreements and other documents available at www.LCDclass.com. The cost to administer the Settlements, as well as attorneys’ fees, costs and expenses, and payments to the Class Representatives, will come out of the Settlement Fund. In the future, Plaintiffs’ counsel will request attorneys’ fees not to exceed one-third of the Settlement Fund, plus reimbursement of costs and expenses. The attorneys also may ask the Court to permit the use of money from the Settlement Fund to help finance the ongoing litigation.

The Settling Defendants have agreed not to engage in conduct that is at issue in these lawsuits and will establish (or maintain) a program to educate their employees about complying with the law, and will cooperate with the Plaintiffs in their ongoing litigation against the Non-Settling Defendants.

How can I get a payment?

No money will be distributed yet. Plaintiffs’ counsel will pursue the lawsuits against the Non-Settling Defendants. All funds received in this case will be distributed together at the conclusion of the lawsuits or as ordered by the Court. You will need to file a valid claim to receive a payment. Notice about the claims process will be made available at a later date. If you want to receive notice about the claims process or future settlements you should register at www.LCDclass.com.

What are my rights?

If you do nothing, your rights will be affected. If you do not want to be legally bound by the lawsuits, you must exclude yourself from the Classes or the Attorneys General Actions. The deadline to exclude yourself is **April 13, 2012**. If you do not exclude yourself you will not be able to sue the Defendants for any claim relating to the lawsuits. If you reside outside of the 24 states or DC you will retain any right you have to sue the Defendants for monetary relief.

The Court will hold a hearing on **May 18, 2012** to consider whether to approve the Settlements. If you stay in the Classes, you may object to the Settlements by **April 13, 2012**. You or your own lawyer may appear and speak at the hearing at your own expense. **Any request for exclusion or objection must be mailed to: LCD Class, P.O. Box 8025, Faribault, MN 55021-9425.**

A class action trial against the Non-Settling Defendants is scheduled to begin on April 23, 2012. A second trial, involving the claims of the Attorneys General of AR, FL, MO, MI, WV and WI, is set to begin on November 5, 2012. Additional trials involving the claims of the Attorneys General of CA and NY may take place at a later date.

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