

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
WESTERN DIVISION**

IN RE: SMITTY’S/CAM2 303 TRACTOR
HYDRAULIC FLUID MARKETING, SALES
PRACTICES, AND PRODUCTS LIABILITY
LITIGATION

MDL No. 2936

Master Case No. 4:20-MD-02936-SRB

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PLAINTIFFS’ MAY 2026 INTERIM STATUS REPORT
REGARDING SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION
OF MANUFACTURER SETTLEMENT

COME NOW Plaintiffs, by and through Class Counsel, and provide the Court the following Interim Status Report Regarding Settlement Administration.

1. The Court granted final approval for this nationwide class settlement on March 27, 2025. (Dkt. #1221). There were no objectors and no appeals. The Net Settlement Fund, after payment of Court-Ordered attorneys’ fees, litigation expenses, incentive awards, and anticipated settlement administration expenses, was \$16,664,479.47.

2. Pursuant to this Court’s July 7, 2025 Order (Dkt. #1230), the Settlement Administrator distributed \$16,182,532.98 (plus \$25,000.00 in pre-distribution claim corrections) to 5,241 claimants on July 29, 2025. As of May 18, 2026, distribution checks to 5,174 of those claimants have been cashed. There are 67 of these original distribution checks that remain uncashed for a total of \$4,709.90. Those original distribution checks are now expired. By phone and/or email, Class Counsel has attempted to reach each of the claimants whose original distribution checks remain uncashed. The Settlement Administrator has also mailed letters to each of the claimants who have uncashed original distribution checks.

3. Of the 67 uncashed and stale original checks noted in paragraph 2, there are presently 8 reissued checks which remain uncashed for a total of \$2,540.

4. Also pursuant to the Court's July 7, 2026 Order (Dkt. #1230), a contingency fund of \$481,946.49 was initially established for the payment of any late claim and any claim corrections. As of May 18, 2026, there have been 65 late claims and/or claim corrections paid for a total of \$485,625.62.

5. The Court's Preliminary Approval Order (Dkt. #1230) approved RG/2 as Settlement Administrator with a budget of \$992,790.00 for notice and settlement administration. RG/2 will be completing all notice and settlement administration for less than the budgeted amount approved by Court. To date, RG/2 has been paid \$886,131.65 for notice and settlement administration expenses and fees, with one additional payment of \$20,000 left to be made for handling/paying late claims, further settlement administration, final accounting and shutdown.

6. During settlement administration, interest totaling \$69,710.07 has been earned on the Settlement Fund.

7. As of May 18, 2026, the balance of the Manufacturer Settlement Fund, including the interest earned and less the amount due to RG/2, is \$157,643.62. This amount assumes that all outstanding distribution checks (original and late claims) are cashed.

8. After all checks are cashed and/or have become stale, Plaintiffs will file a motion regarding *Cy Pres* recipients and then submit a Final Status Report including the Post-Distribution Accounting Form as set forth in the Court's July 7, 2025 Order (Dkt. #1231).

WHEREFORE, as set forth above, Class Counsel submits to the Court this May 2026 Interim Status Report Regarding Settlement Administration of the Manufacturer Settlement.

Date: May 21, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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