

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

INTERNATIONAL UNION, UNITED)	
AUTOMOBILE, AEROSPACE, AND)	
AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT)	
WORKERS OF AMERICA; and EARL L.)	Case No.: 05-73991
HENRY, BONNIE J. LAURIA,)	
RAYMOND B. BAILEY, THEODORE J.)	Honorable Robert H. Cleland
GENCO, MARVIN C. MARLOW,)	Magistrate Virginia M. Morgan
CHARLES R. MILLER and LAVERNE)	CLASS ACTION
M. SORIANO, on behalf of themselves and)	
all other persons similarly situated,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
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v.)	
)	
GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
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**ORDER ON JOINT MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND PROPOSED CLASS NOTICE**

ORDER

Plaintiffs Earl L. Henry, Bonnie J. Lauria, Raymond B. Bailey, Theodore J. Genco, Marvin C. Marlow, Charles R. Miller, and Laverne M. Soriano (“Class Representatives”), and International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace, and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (“UAW”) brought this action against Defendant General Motors Corporation (“GM”), challenging GM’s announced modification of health care benefits provided to GM’s retirees, their spouses, surviving spouses, and dependents.

The parties have entered into a Settlement Agreement resolving plaintiffs' claims in this case and, on December 16, 2005, filed a Joint Motion seeking preliminary approval of that Settlement Agreement and an Order approving notice to the Class in the form and manner agreed to by the parties.¹

NOW THEREFORE, upon review of the Joint Motion, and the brief, affidavits, and exhibits in support thereof, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Settlement Agreement (Ex. 1 to the Brief In Support of the Joint Motion) is preliminarily approved.
2. The Court will conduct a hearing, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e)(1)(C), commencing on March 6, 2006, for the purpose of considering the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement Agreement and to consider objections to the Settlement, if any. Other than the parties, no person will be heard at the hearing unless that person files an objection in writing with the Court postmarked on or before February 13, 2006.
3. GM shall provide notice, pursuant to Rule 23(e)(1)(B), to the Class of the Settlement Agreement and of the March 6, 2006 Hearing. GM will use its best efforts to send notice to individual Class Members by first class mail in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit 3 of the Brief in Support of the Joint Motion by December 31, 2005. GM shall also provide notice by publication, in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit 4 of the Brief in Support of the Joint Motion, in the manner stated in the Settlement Agreement.

ENTERED:

Dated: December 22, 2005

S/ Robert H. Cleland
Honorable Robert H. Cleland
United States District Judge

¹Class Representatives filed a separate Motion for Class Certification, which the Court granted today in a separate order.