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Southern District of Texas

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July 31, 2024

## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

In re:	Chapter 11
AUTO PLUS AUTO SALES LLC,	) Case No. 23-90055 (CML)
Wind-Down Debtor. <sup>1</sup>	) (Formerly Jointly Administered under Lead Case IEH Auto Parts
	) Holding LLC, Case No. 23-90054)

# ORDER SUSTAINING GUC TRUSTEE'S <u>ELEVENTH</u> OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CALIMS (Reduced Claims)

Upon the *GUC Trustee's Eleventh Omnibus Objection to Claims (Reduced Claims)* [Dkt. No. 147] (the "Objection")<sup>2</sup> filed by Michael D. Warner, in his capacity as trustee (the "GUC Trustee") of the Auto Parts GUC Trust (the "GUC Trust"); and this Court having found (i) that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334; (ii) that this matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2) in which this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; (iii) that venue in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; (iv) that the relief sought in the Objection is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; (v) that notice of the Objection

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On January 16, 2024, the Court entered a *Final Decree Closing Certain of the Chapter 11 Cases* [Case No. 23-90054, Dkt. No. 1043] closing each Debtor's chapter 11 case except the case of Auto Plus Auto Sales LLC. The following is a complete list of the Debtor entities in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each entity's federal tax identification number: IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC (6529); AP Acquisition Company Clark LLC (4531); AP Acquisition Company Gordon LLC (5666); AP Acquisition Company Massachusetts LLC (7581); AP Acquisition Company North Carolina LLC (N/A); AP Acquisition Company Washington LLC (2773); Auto Plus Auto Sales LLC (6921); IEH AIM LLC (2233); IEH Auto Parts LLC (2066); IEH Auto Parts Puerto Rico, Inc. (4539); and IEH BA LLC (1428). The Wind-Down Debtors' service address is: 5330 Caramel Crest Lane, Charlotte, NC 28226.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined in herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Objection or, if not defined in the Objection, in the *Third Amended Combined Disclosure Statement and Joint Plan of Liquidation of IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC and its Debtor Affiliates Pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code* [Case No. 23-90054, Dkt. No. 738] (the "Plan").

and the opportunity for a hearing on the Objection were appropriate under the circumstances, such that no other or further notice is necessary; and (vi) that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Objection establish just cause for the relief granted in the following order (this "Order"),

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Each General Unsecured Claim identified on <u>Schedule 1</u> attached to this Order (such claims, collectively, the "<u>Reduced Claims</u>") is hereby modified and reduced to the amount set forth in the "Modified GUC Claim Amount" column on <u>Schedule 1</u>, pursuant to section 502(b) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>") and rule 3007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "<u>Bankruptcy Rules</u>"); *provided* that this Order does not affect any Non-GUC Claims (as defined in the Plan) asserted in the proofs of claim identified in the first column of <u>Schedule 1</u>. General Unsecured Claims with a Modified GUC Claim Amount of \$0.00 on Schedule 1 shall be expunged from the Claims Register.
- 2. The GUC Claim asserted in Claim No. 135 filed by Agility Auto Parts Inc. is hereby disallowed and shall be expunged from the Claims Register, because Claim No. 135 is duplicative of Claim No. 344.
- 3. Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC, as claims, noticing, and solicitation agent (the "Claims Agent"), is authorized and directed to update the Claims Register maintained in these chapter 11 cases to reflect the relief granted in this Order.
- 4. This Order shall be, and hereby is, deemed a separate order with respect to each Reduced Claim. Each Reduced Claim identified in <u>Schedule 1</u> and the GUC Trustee's objections to each such claim constitutes a separate contested matter as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 9014.

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Notwithstanding the relief granted in this Order and any actions taken pursuant to

such relief, nothing in this Order shall be deemed: (a) an admission as to the validity of any

prepetition claim against a Debtor entity; (b) a waiver of the rights of the GUC Trustee, the Wind-

Down Debtors, or the Plan Agent, as applicable, to dispute any prepetition claim on any grounds;

(c) a promise or requirement to pay any prepetition claim; (d) an implication or admission that any

particular claim is of a type specified in the Objection or this Order; (e) a request or authorization

to assume any prepetition agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy

Code; or (f) a waiver of any rights of the GUC Trustee, the Wind-Down Debtors, or the Plan Agent

under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

6. The GUC Trustee, the Claims Agent, and the Clerk of the Court are authorized to

take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with

the Objection.

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7. Notwithstanding the relief granted in this Order and any actions taken pursuant to

such relief, nothing in this Order shall prejudice to the rights of the GUC Trustee, the Wind-Down

Debtors, or the Plan Agent to object to any claims on any grounds whatsoever, including any Non-

GUC Claims. The GUC Trustee reserves the right to object to any remaining General Unsecured

Claims asserted against the Debtors or their bankruptcy estates on any grounds whatsoever.

8. This Order and all relief granted herein shall be effective immediately upon entry.

9. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction to resolve any dispute arising from or

related to this Order.

Signed: July 31, 2024

Christopher Lopez

United States Bankruptcy Judge

# Schedule 1

General Unsecured Claims <sup>3</sup>					Modified
Claim #	Date Filed	Claimant	Debtor Name	GUC Claim Amount	GUC Claim Amount
135	03/16/23	Agility Auto Parts Inc.	IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC	1,586,697.27	DISALLOWED
390	04/20/23	BASF CORPORATION	IEH Auto Parts LLC	75,685.35	12,041.76
599	05/01/23	Brake Parts, Inc LLC	IEH Auto Parts LLC	2,342,707.19	2,039,725.02
591	05/01/23	CWD, LLC (dba Centric Parts)	IEH Auto Parts LLC	135,593.37	1,868.29
344	04/12/23	Euler Hermes Agent for Agility Auto Parts Inc. (CLUS007792)	IEH Auto Parts LLC	1,500,930.53	741,324.79
165	03/21/23	Euler Hermes Agent for N & M Transfer Co., Inc. (clus007838)	IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC	52,954.49	0.00
217	03/27/23	Grote Industries, LLC	IEH Auto Parts LLC	189,658.98	109,174.52
387	04/20/23	HDA Truck Pride	IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC	228,442.21	200,300.84
204	03/25/23	IAP, Inc. and IAP West, Inc.	IEH Auto Parts LLC	2,016,403.49	0.00
407	04/13/23	Nittera North America, Inc. f/k/a NGK Spark Plugs U.S.A., Inc.	IEH Auto Parts LLC	598,876.22	516,400.81
441	04/25/23	Pioneer Automotive Industries	IEH Auto Parts LLC	485,026.35	193,859.61
527	04/28/23	SimpleLegal, Inc.	IEH Auto Parts LLC	48,000.00	0.00
437	04/25/23	Wilmar, LLC	IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC	1,652,463.31	1,480,590.63
449	04/26/23	Wipro LLC	IEH Auto Parts LLC	83,649.24	0.00

TOTAL: 10,997,088 **5,295,286.27** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As filed or as modified pursuant to the Orders Sustaining the Wind-Down Debtors' Fourth and Fifth Omnibus Claim Objections [Case No. 23-90054, Dkt. #1045; Case No. 23-90055, Dkt. #65] and/or Stipulations and Agreed Orders entered with the respective claimants.

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United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of Texas

In re: Case No. 23-90055-cml Auto Plus Auto Sales LLC Chapter 11

IEH BA LLC Debtors

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## Notice by first class mail was sent to the following persons/entities by the Bankruptcy Noticing Center on Aug 02, 2024:

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db	+	AP Acquisition Company North Carolina LLC, 112 Townpark Drive NW, Suite 300, Kennesaw, GA 30144-3754
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db	+	Auto Plus Auto Sales LLC, 112 Townpark Drive NW, Suite 300, Kennesaw, GA 30144-3754
db	+	IEH AIM LLC, 112 Townpark Drive NW, Suite 300, Kennesaw, GA 30144-3754
db	+	IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC, 112 Townpark Drive NW, Suite 300, Kennesaw, GA 30144-3754
db	+	IEH Auto Parts Puerto Rico, Inc., 112 Townpark Drive NW, Suite 300, Kennesaw, GA 30144-3754
db	+	IEH BA LLC, 112 Townpark Drive NW, Suite 300, Kennesaw, GA 30144-3754
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Ci	Email Text. bankruptey.icgamoneceertyonnesquite.com	Jul 31 2024 19:46:00	City of Mesquite, Grimes & Linebarger, LLP, c/o John K. Turner, 120 W Main Suite 201, Mesquite, TX 75149-4224
cr	+ Email/Text: julie.parsons@mvbalaw.com	Jul 31 2024 19:46:00	Dallam County Appraisal District, McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen, P.C., P.O. Box 1269, Round Rock, TX 78680-1269
cr	+ Email/Text: dallas.bankruptcy@LGBS.com	Jul 31 2024 19:46:00	Dallas County, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP, c/o John K Turner, 2777 N. Stemmons Frwy Ste 1000, Dallas, TX 75207-2328
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## NOTICE CERTIFICATION

I, Gustava Winters, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309): Pursuant to Fed .R. Bank. P.2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.

Date: Aug 02, 2024 Signature: /s/Gustava Winters

# CM/ECF NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING

The following persons/entities were sent notice through the court's CM/ECF electronic mail (Email) system on July 31, 2024 at the address(es) listed below:

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