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September 16, 2025

Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

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

In re:

AUTO PLUS AUTO SALES LLC,<sup>1</sup>

Wind-Down Debtor.

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) Chapter 11  
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) Case No. 23-90055 (CML)  
) (Formerly Jointly Administered under  
) Lead Case IEH Auto Parts Holding LLC,  
) Case No. 23-90054)  
) **RE: Docket Nos. 272, 392**

**AGREED SCHEDULING ORDER**

On October 27, 2023, MANN + HUMMEL Filtration Technologies US LLC (“M+H”) filed the *Motion for Allowance and Payment of Administrative Expense Claim Pursuant to Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code*. [23-90054 Docket No. 966]. On February 28, 2025 the Wind-Down Debtor filed the *Objection to (1) the Non-GUC Portion of Proof of Claim No. 567 filed by Mann + Hummel Filtration Technologies US LLC; and (2) Mann + Hummel Filtration Technologies US LLC’s Motion for Allowance and Payment of Administrative Expense Claim Pursuant to Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code* [Docket No. 272]. On August 8, 2025, M+H filed its response. [Docket No. 392].

Pursuant to Rule 16, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and the agreement of the parties herein, the Court issues the following agreed scheduling order:

1. The parties may conduct mediation on these matters on or before **October 15, 2025**. Counsel may, by written agreement (email to suffice), continue mediation efforts beyond this deadline.
2. The parties shall complete written discovery on or before **December 1, 2025**. Counsel may, by written agreement (email to suffice), continue discovery beyond this deadline, but there will be no intervention by the Court, except in extraordinary circumstances.

<sup>1</sup> The Wind-Down Debtor’s service address is: 5330 Carmel Crest Lane, Charlotte, North Carolina 28226. All pleadings related to these chapter 11 cases may be obtained from the website of the Wind Down Debtor’s claims and noticing agent at <https://www.kccllc.net/autoplus>.



3. The parties shall complete depositions on or before **January 20, 2025**. Counsel may, by written agreement (email to suffice), conduct depositions beyond this deadline. For depositions, the party presenting a witness shall choose the location for the deposition. For party witness depositions, counsel shall accept service of deposition notices without the need for subpoenas, and without waiving any other objections to such discovery.

4. All dispositive motions shall be filed and served on all other parties on or before **March 2, 2026**. Responses shall be filed and served on all other parties not later than 21 days of the service of the motion. Any replies shall be filed and served on all parties not later than 7 days of the service of the response and shall be limited to 10 pages, but the Court need not wait for the reply before ruling on the motion.

5. The Parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed form of pretrial statement not later than fourteen days prior to the date set for the final pretrial conference set forth herein. The proposed form of joint pretrial statement must be signed by counsel for both parties and conform substantially to the form set forth as Appendix C on the Court's website.

6. **Final pretrial conference is set for March 9, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. (CT) in Courtroom 401, 515 Rusk, Houston, Texas 77002.** Parties will be required to discuss at final pretrial conference any objections to the use of deposition testimony and stipulations regarding the use of experts for trial or any matters set forth herein.

7. Exhibits and a witness list are to be exchanged five (5) business days in advance of trial. In addition, counsel are encouraged to present and provide electronic versions of exhibits where practicable. Use and presentation of electronic exhibits should be coordinated through the courtroom deputy.

8. Service of pleadings and discovery may be effected by email.

9. Counsel must confer prior to the date the pretrial statement is required to be filed, to fully explore the possibility of settlement, to stipulate to matters not in dispute and to simplify the issues. The pretrial statement shall contain a certificate to that effect that the conference of counsel has been held. Counsel must also confer in an effort to determine whether the original time estimate for trial is correct or should be revised.

Signed: September 16, 2025

  
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Christopher Lopez  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

Houston, Texas  
Dated: September 5, 2025

*/s/ Zachary McKay*

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