

Exhibit II(A)

In re: Chemical Release at Bogalusa, No. 73,341 and All Cases,
Twenty Second Judicial District Court, Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana

OFFICIAL COURT NOTICE

TO: ALL PERSONS AND LEGAL ENTITIES LOCATED OR RESIDING IN, OWNING PLACES OF BUSINESS OR PROPERTY IN, OPERATING BUSINESSES IN, ATTENDING SCHOOL OR WORKING IN, AND/OR WHO WERE PRESENT WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA AS SPECIFIED HEREIN, WHO SUSTAINED BODILY AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY, LOSS, PROPERTY DAMAGE, AND/OR OTHER DAMAGE, AS THE RESULT OF AN EXPLOSION, RUPTURE, ESCAPE AND/OR LEAK OR LEAKS OF NITROGEN TETROXIDE (N₂O₄) AND THEIR DERIVATIVES FROM A RAILROAD TANK CAR, MOBILE TRUCK TANKER-TRAILERS, AND/OR RELATED LOADING/UNLOADING PIPING OR OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED ON THE PREMISES OF GAYLORD CHEMICAL CORPORATION IN BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA, OCCURRING IN AND DURING THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 10, 1995 THROUGH OCTOBER 25, 1995, AS WELL AS THOSE FAMILY MEMBERS OF SUCH PERSONS WHO MAY THEMSELVES HAVE CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF INJURY TO SUCH PERSONS.

The geographic boundaries of the class include a reference to the "City Rectangle" which will be defined as the area within the smallest rectangle which will encompass all of the City Limits of Bogalusa. The class boundaries are the area within the following truncated wedge-shaped region: (i) begin at the southeast corner of the City Rectangle, and extend the line comprising the southern side of the City Rectangle until the point at which it reaches the Pearl River; (ii) then follow the western bank of the Pearl River northward until reaching the northeastern most point of the boot of Louisiana; (iii) from that point, draw a straight line to the confluence of Gully Creek, Upper Little Creek, and Kellars Creek in Marion County, Mississippi; (iv) from the confluence of those three creeks in Marion County, Mississippi, draw a straight line in a westerly direction to the intersection of State Highway 570 and U.S. Highway 51 in Pike County, Mississippi; (v) then from the intersection of State Highway 570 and U.S. Highway 51, draw a straight line to the southwestern corner of the City Rectangle, in Washington Parish, Louisiana; and (vi) continue east along the southern boundary of the City Rectangle until reaching the point of beginning at the southeastern corner of the City Rectangle.

The Class includes the following six subclasses: (i) bodily/personal injury claims (including loss of consortium); (ii) property damage claims (both real and personal property); (iii) economic losses (including, but not limited to, lost profits, lost wages, or business interruption); (iv) evacuation damages; (v) fear and fright claims; and (vi) punitive/exemplary damages.

READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY BECAUSE YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE SETTLEMENT OF THIS CLASS ACTION. THIS NOTICE IS TO ADVISE YOU OF THE FOLLOWING:

This litigation arises out of that certain tank car rupture and any and all releases of nitrogen tetroxide, its derivative chemicals, and/or any other chemicals, substance or matter at or from the Gaylord Chemical plant in Bogalusa, Louisiana, in October 1995 and all related acts, consequences and events related to the rupture and release, both preceding and subsequent to any such chemical release, including but not limited to the evacuation of Bogalusa and any surrounding areas (the "Incident").

If you are one of the persons or entities described above you are a Class Member and may be entitled to participate in and may object to the settlement as described in this notice. The Louisiana Court has given preliminary approval to a 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement, which will establish a fund for the compensation of persons and entities that fit the description above, that did not opt out of the Class, and that filed a proof of claim form no later than June 20, 2000, or were granted specific and special permission by the Louisiana Court to file a late proof of claim and become a Class Member.

To resolve all Claims relating to the Incident, a settlement has been reached with Reliance Insurance Company (in Liquidation) ("Reliance"), which has issued a Notice of Determination pursuant to which (a) an initial distribution of \$4,870,113 to Class Members, plus (b) additional amounts only if and as any further assets of Reliance are recovered and liabilities known. In no event will the total distribution exceed \$12,620,565. Any amounts paid to individual Class Members are subject to all holders of liens, assignments, subrogations, encumbrances, garnishments or security interests, and all other Persons who have a Claim derived from, or who have obtained any right or Claim from or through, any Class Member. The settlement agreement stipulates that all Medicare liens on the recovery of any and all Class Members will be satisfied by a lump-sum payment of \$347,267.70 to Medicare, deducted from the initial distribution from Reliance. Deductions for attorneys' fees and costs shall be submitted to the Court for Approval at the Fairness Hearing. These deductions shall be specified for both the initial distribution and any further distribution(s).

The Louisiana Court will hold a Fairness Hearing to determine the fairness, adequacy, and reasonableness of the 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement. If the Louisiana Court gives its final approval to the 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement, all Claims against Reliance relating to the Incident will be barred and released.

At the conclusion of the Fairness Hearing, the Louisiana Court will consider whether to finally approve the Louisiana Special Master's Report and Recommendation regarding, among others, an allocation protocol and establishment of reserves, including attorneys' fees and costs. Persons who fit the description above, did not opt out of the Class, and either filed a proof of claim form no later than June 20, 2000 or were granted specific and special permission by the Louisiana Court to file a late proof of claim and became a Class Member, may be eligible for compensation.

YOUR RIGHTS AS A CLASS MEMBER

- **If you are a Class Member, you have a right to object to any aspect of the 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement, the Louisiana Special Master's Report and Recommendation. You will be afforded an opportunity to object to your individual allocation, prior to the initial disbursement of the Settlement Fund.**
- **If you are a Class Member and you have previously submitted a written objection, you have a right to appear at the Fairness Hearing to comment on or object to any aspect of the 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement or the Louisiana Special Master's Report and Recommendation. This Hearing will be your one and only opportunity to object to the 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement, both with respect to the initial amount to be paid and with respect to the prospect that, or maximum total of, any future amounts which may be paid.**

- Class Members' written objections and/or written requests to appear must be postmarked no later than midnight of December 31, 2014, and addressed to the Clerk of the Court, Twenty-Second Judicial District Court, Washington Parish Courthouse, Franklinton, Louisiana 70438, In re: Chemical Release at Bogalusa, and must include your full name, address, telephone number, social security number, and reasons for your objection.


IMPORTANT DATES, DEADLINES AND LOCATIONS

Written Objections Postmark DeadlineDecember 31, 2014
Written Requests to Appear at the Fairness Hearings Postmark DeadlineDecember 31, 2014
Fairness Hearing Date and Time.....January 14, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
 for consideration of the settlement followed by the final consideration of the Louisiana Special Master's Report and Recommendation.
Place.....Courtroom of the Honorable Robert J. Burns, Twenty-Second Judicial District Court, Washington Parish Courthouse, Washington & Main Street, Franklinton, Louisiana

THIS NOTICE IS ONLY A SUMMARY - FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

For a more detailed description of the settlement or the Louisiana Special Master's Report and Recommendation, you must obtain the Long Form Notice, which more fully describes the 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement and the Louisiana Special Master's Report and Recommendation. If you would like a copy of the Long Form Notice, you should write to the Class Settlement Notice Administrator, P.O. Box 60600, New Orleans, Louisiana 70160, or call 504-840-3850 or 1-877-840-3850, during regular weekday business hours to request that the Long Form Notice be sent to you. This telephone number will be staffed with personnel under the supervision of the Louisiana Special Master who can answer questions you may have regarding the settlement. The 2014 Louisiana Settlement Agreement and the Louisiana Special Master's Report and Recommendation are available for inspection during regular weekday business hours at the Clerk's Office, Twenty-Second Judicial District Court, Washington Parish Courthouse, Washington & Main Street, Franklinton, Louisiana, and also may be reviewed online at <http://bogalusachemicalreleasela.com>.

Dated: November 14, 2014



 Judge *Ad Hoc*
 Twenty-Second Judicial District Court
 Parish of Washington, State of Louisiana

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT OR THE CLERK OF COURT, EXCEPT THAT YOU MAY SUBMIT A WRITTEN NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR AND/OR WRITTEN COMMENT OR OBJECTION TO THE CLERK OF COURT AS SET FORTH IN THIS NOTICE