

## **If You Worked Around Gaskets or Packing Containing Asbestos The Garlock Bankruptcy May Affect Your Rights.**

***Certain Personal Injury Claims Must be Filed by October 6, 2015***

There is a bankruptcy involving claims about exposure to asbestos-containing gasket and packing products. Garlock Sealing Technologies LLC, The Anchor Packing Company, and Garrison Litigation Management Group, Ltd. ("Debtors") have filed a plan of reorganization to restructure their business and pay claims.

The products were used in places where steam, hot liquid or acids moved through pipes, including industrial and maritime settings.

### **Who is Affected by the Garlock Bankruptcy?**

Your rights may be affected if you:

- Worked with or around Garlock asbestos-containing gaskets or packing, or any other asbestos-containing product for which Debtors are responsible, or
- Have a claim now or in the future against the Debtors for asbestos-related disease caused by any person's exposure to asbestos-containing products.

**Even if you have not yet been diagnosed with any disease or experienced any symptoms, your rights may be affected.** The Court has appointed a Future Claimants' Representative ("FCR") to represent the rights of these future claimants. Future claimants do not need to file a claim at this time.

### **What Does the Plan Provide?**

The Plan is the result of a settlement agreement between the FCR, the Debtors, and the Debtors' parent company. The Plan proposes to use \$357.5 million to pay, in full, all pending and future asbestos claims against Garlock and Garrison. If necessary, up to \$132 million in additional funding will be provided. If the Plan is approved, you will no longer be able to file claims directly against the Debtors or affiliated companies. If you have claims only against Anchor, you are not expected to recover

anything, as that company has no assets and will be dissolved.

### **Who Must File a Personal Injury Claim?**

You must file a claim by **October 6, 2015**, if you:

- Have a claim against Garlock or Garrison based on an asbestos-related injury diagnosed on or before August 1, 2014,
- Have not settled with the Debtors, and
- Filed a lawsuit against any other defendant or a claim against any asbestos trust as of August 1, 2014.

**If you do not file a claim, you may lose your right to bring your claim in the future.** Individuals diagnosed with disease after August 1, 2014 do not have to file a claim at this time, but may be able to vote or object to the Plan.

### **Who Can Vote on or Object to the Plan?**

All identifiable asbestos claimants or their attorneys will receive the "Solicitation Package". This includes the Plan, Voting Ballot, and other information. If you have not filed a claim yet, you can vote on the Plan by providing certified information about your claim, or making a motion to vote as described in the Solicitation Package available online or by calling the toll-free number.

You will need to vote on the Plan by **October 6, 2015**. The FCR will support and vote to accept the Plan on behalf of the future claimants. **You may also object to the Plan and the adequacy of the FCR's representation of future claimants by October 6, 2015.**

### **When will the Court Decide on the Plan?**

A hearing to consider confirmation of the Plan will begin at 10:00 a.m. ET on June 20, 2016, at the US Bankruptcy Court, Western District of North Carolina, 401 West Trade Street, Charlotte, NC 28202.

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