## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION



|                         |   | Civil Action No. 00-CV-00001  |
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|                         | ) | (Litigation Facility Matters) |
| In re:                  | ) | •                             |
|                         | ) | Civil Action No. 00-CV-00005  |
|                         | ) | (Settlement Facility Matters) |
| DOW CORNING LITIGATION. | ) |                               |
|                         | ) | HON. DENISE PAGE HOOD         |
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## ORDER DISMISSING CASES AGAINST DOW CHEMICAL CO. AND CORNING INCORPORATED

On June 1, 2004, the Amended Joint Plan of Reorganization in the *In re Dow Corning Corporation* bankruptcy action, E.D. Mich. Bankruptcy Court Case No. 95-20512, went into effect. The Plan governs the resolution of the cases against Dow Chemical Co., et al. relating to the claims which were before the Bankruptcy Court. It is noted that the Election Deadline to elect to settle a claim through the Settlement Facility or to litigate a claim against the Litigation Facility was November 29, 2004. Claimants were required to file a Notice of Intent to Litigate/Claimant Questionnaire by February 28, 2005. The Court has entered various Case Management Orders governing the resolution of the claims to be litigated found in Case No. 00-00001.

In an Opinion dated May 8, 1997, the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals issued a Writ of Mandamus ordering the district court "to transfer the claims against Dow Chemical and Corning Incorporated to the Eastern District of Michigan." *In re Dow Corning Corp.*, 113 F.3d 565, 572 (6th Cir. 1997). Approximately 14,000 cases with claims against Dow Chemical and Corning Inc. have been transferred pursuant to the Sixth Circuit's Order. Although there may have been other

defendants in these cases, only the claims against Dow Chemical and Corning Inc. were transferred

to this Court, pursuant to the Sixth Circuit's Writ of Mandamus. The individual cases against Dow

Chemical Co. and Corning Inc. filed in this District must now be dismissed, pursuant to the

Amended Joint Plan of Reorganization, specifically, § 8.4 of the Plan ("on the Effective Date all

Persons who have held, hold, or may hold Released Claims, whether known or unknown, and their

respective agents, attorneys, and all others acting for or on their behalf, shall be permanently

enjoined on and after the Effective Date from (a) commencing or continuing in any manner, any

action or any other proceeding of any kind with respect to any Released Claims against the Debtor-

Affiliated Parties, the Shareholder-Affiliated Parties, ...") (Plan, § 8.4) Any Non-Settling Personal

Injury Claimant may continue or commence an action against the Litigation Facility in accordance

with the Litigation Facility Agreement. (Plan, § 8.4)

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the cases against Dow Chemical Co. and Corning, Inc. set forth in the

attached list to this Order are DISMISSED with prejudice. However, if a plaintiff in any of the listed

cases has elected to continue to litigate any claims as a Non-Settling Personal Injury Claimant

against the Litigation Facility, those claims are DISMISSED without prejudice.

/s/ DENISE PAGE HOOD

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DATED:

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