

# THE GE FIRE CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

October 20, 2017

Dear Potential Class Member,

A settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit that arose out of the alleged property damage, inconvenience, and nuisance to neighboring residents caused by the fire on April 3, 2015, in Building 6 at GE's Appliance Park in Louisville, Kentucky (the "AP6 Fire"), and the related shelter-in-place advisories. The lawsuit alleges that neighboring residents and property owners incurred damages and inconvenience as a result of the incident. The Defendants deny liability.

There is a settlement fund of \$1.2 million to pay claims of persons who resided in or owned residential property within certain distances from AP6 at the time of the AP6 Fire ("Settlement Class Members"). Settlement Class Members within a one-mile radius (receiving a blue postcard) are expected to receive an estimated \$30 each. Settlement Class Members within a one- to two-mile radius (receiving a green postcard) are expected to receive an estimated \$20 each. Settlement Class Members within a two- to three-mile radius bounded by Fern Valley Road to the south and Route 150 to the northeast (receiving a yellow postcard) are expected to receive an estimated \$10 each. A detailed "Notice and FAQ" and "Claim Form" may be obtained from the Settlement website, [www.GeFireSettlement.com](http://www.GeFireSettlement.com), or by calling the Settlement Administrator at 1-800-345-0837. Each member of the class who timely completes a Claim Form may be awarded a sum of money as detailed in the Notice and FAQ online. As described online, Settlement Class Members are also eligible to make a claim for documented out-of-pocket expenses resulting from the AP6 Fire and shelter-in-place advisories, and the Settlement Administrator has set aside \$150,000 of the settlement fund to pay such claims. Claim payments are subject to proportionate decreases or increases depending upon Claimant response. **Claim Forms must be postmarked by January 16, 2018.**

As a potential Settlement Class Member, you may enter an appearance through an attorney if you so desire. You may request to be excluded from the Settlement. To exclude yourself from, or opt-out from, the settlement, you must send an Opt-Out Request to the Settlement Administrator. A copy of the Opt-Out request can be found on the Settlement website: [www.GeFireSettlement.com](http://www.GeFireSettlement.com). You must complete, sign, and mail the Opt-Out Request, postmarked no later than December 17, 2017, to the GE Fire Settlement Administrator at 501 Riverchase Parkway East, Suite 100, Birmingham, Alabama 35244. If you do not opt out, you can ask the Court to deny approval of the Settlement by filing an objection. You can object to all or any part of the Settlement. If the Court denies approval, no settlement payments will be sent out, and the lawsuit will continue. All objections must be made in writing.

If you are a Settlement Class Member, you will remain in the Settlement Class unless you exclude yourself. This means that you cannot sue any of the Defendants or be part of any other lawsuit against them with respect to the claims and issues in this case. It also means that all the Court's orders will apply to you and legally bind you. If you request to be excluded from the settlement, you will not be legally bound by the settlement, but you will also get no money from the Settlement. You may be able to sue any or all of the Defendants in the future. If you are a Settlement Class Member and you do nothing, you will get no money from the Settlement, and you will not be able to sue any of the Defendants over any of the matters that are the subject of this class action lawsuit.

The Court will hold a hearing in this case (*Sherhonda Stewart et al. v. Derby Industries, LLC and General Electric Co.*, Case No. 15-CI-01623) on March 28, 2018, at 1:15 p.m., to consider whether to approve (1) the settlement, (2) class counsel's request for attorney fees up to \$360,000, (3) class counsel's litigation expenses of up to \$25,000, and (4) service awards to named Plaintiffs Sherhonda Stewart of \$2,000 and Beverly Sheppard of \$2,000 and to Alex Ruiz of \$1,000. You may appear at the hearing, but you do not have to. You also may hire your own attorney, at your own expense, to appear or speak for you at the hearing.

Yours very truly,  
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Settlement Administrator  
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