

**NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION OF CLASS
OF DIRECT PURCHASERS OF CAPACITORS**

If you directly purchased aluminum, tantalum or film capacitors between January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2013 (the “Class Period”), you could be affected by the Court’s Class Certification Decision and Order.

Please read this notice carefully.

A federal court authorized this notice. This is not junk mail, an advertisement, or a solicitation from a lawyer.

- On November 14, 2018, the Hon. James Donato of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California entered an order certifying a class of direct purchaser plaintiffs (the “Class”) in a class action lawsuit involving alleged agreements among certain manufacturers to raise or stabilize the prices for aluminum, tantalum and film capacitors (“Capacitors”). (Dkt. 385 of *In re Capacitors Antitrust Litig.*, 3:17-md-02801-JD (N.D. Cal.))
- The lawsuit is continuing against defendants that have not previously settled, including Panasonic Corporation; Panasonic Corporation of North America; SANYO Electric Co., Ltd.; SANYO North America Corporation; KEMET Corporation; KEMET Electronics Corporation; Nippon Chemi-Con Corporation; United Chemi-Con, Inc.; AVX Corporation; ELNA Co., Ltd.; ELNA America Inc.; Matsuo Electric Co., Ltd.; TOSHIN KOGYO Co., Ltd.; Holy Stone Enterprise Co., Ltd.; Milestone Global Technology, Inc. (D/B/A HolyStone International); Vishay Polytech Co., Ltd.; Taitsu Corporation; Taitsu America, Inc.; Shinyei Kaisha; Shinyei Technology Co., Ltd.; Shinyei Capacitor Co., Ltd.; Shinyei Corporation of America, Inc.; Nissei Electric Co., Ltd.; and Shizuki Electric Co., Ltd., which are referred to as the “Non-Settling Defendants.”
- The Court has previously approved settlements of plaintiffs’ claims against Defendants Fujitsu Ltd., Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd., Hitachi AIC, Inc., Hitachi Chemical Co. America, Ltd., NEC Tokin Corporation, NEC Tokin America, Inc., Nitsuko Electronics Corporation, Okaya Electric Industries Co., Ltd., Okaya Electric America, Inc., ROHM Co., Ltd., ROHM Semiconductor U.S.A., LLC, Soshin Electric Co., Ltd., and Soshin Electronics of America Inc., which are collectively referred to as the “Previously Settled Defendants.” In addition, plaintiffs have reached settlements reached with defendants Nichicon Corporation and Nichicon (America) Corporation (together, “Nichicon”); and Rubycon Corporation and Rubycon America Inc. (together, “Rubycon”). These settlements are currently pending approval by the Court. If the Court approves these settlements, Nichicon and Rubycon will become Settling Defendants, and the Class lawsuit will not continue against them. The Previously Settled Defendants, the Non-Settling Defendants, Nichicon, and Rubycon are referred to collectively as the “Defendants.”
- You are a member of the Class certified by the Court if you purchased Capacitors (including through controlled subsidiaries, agents, affiliates, or joint ventures) directly from any of the Defendants, their subsidiaries, agents, affiliates, or joint ventures from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2013 (the “Class Period”), and you are: (a) inside the United States and was billed or invoiced for capacitors by one or more Defendants during the Class Period (i.e., where capacitors were “billed to” persons within the United States); or (b) outside the United States and was billed or invoiced for capacitors by one or more Defendants during the Class Period, where such capacitors were imported into the United States by one or more Defendants (i.e., where the capacitors were “billed to” persons outside the United States but “shipped to” persons within the United States). Excluded from the Class are (i) Defendants (and their subsidiaries, agents, and affiliates); (ii) shareholders holding more than 10% equity interest in Defendants; (iii) each member of the Class that timely requests exclusion by “opting out”; (iv) governmental entities; and (v) the judges and chambers staff in this case, including their immediate families.
- **Please read this Notice carefully. Your legal rights will be affected whether you act or do not act. You now have to make a choice to preserve your legal rights. This Notice describes the portion of the lawsuit that is continuing and how you can continue in that lawsuit or exclude yourself from that lawsuit.**
- **You must take action to exclude yourself from the Class if you do not wish to participate in the ongoing class action lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants. The Court has issued a separate Notice concerning your right to exclude yourself from two settlements that are pending Court approval. Even if you request exclusion with respect to those settlements, you must also request exclusion (or opt-out) from the Class as described in this Notice, if you wish to pursue your own claims against the Non-Settling Defendants. You may not have an opportunity to exclude yourself from future settlements or judgments against the Non-Settling Defendants unless you request exclusion (or opt-out) from the Class as described in Question 12.**

SUMMARY OF YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS

<p>DO NOTHING</p>	<p>Remain in the Class. You have the right to continue participating in the lawsuit as a Class Member. You do not need to take additional action to remain in the Class or be a part of the ongoing lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants. (However, if you wish to participate in any of the settlements pending approval from the Court, you must fill out and return a Claim Form as set forth in a separate notice from the Court, available at www.CapacitorsAntitrustSettlement.com)</p> <p>If you remain a Class Member, you will retain the possibility of receiving money or other benefits from the Non-Settling Defendants that may come from trial or settlement in the class action lawsuit. By remaining in the Class, you will be bound by the outcome of the continuing lawsuit with the Non-Settling Defendants, and you will give up your right to file your own lawsuit. There is no money available now from any of the Non-Settling Defendants or guarantee that there will be any in the future. The outcome of the continuing class action against the Non-Settling Defendants is not yet known.</p> <p>You may receive other notices from the Court when there are other important developments that may require you to make a decision or take action. However, you may not have another opportunity to request exclusion (or opt-out) of the class action lawsuit against the remaining Defendants, and you will be unable to pursue claims individually apart from the Class.</p>
<p>EXCLUDE YOURSELF FROM THE CLASS</p>	<p>Opting out of the Class is the only way you can file or continue your own lawsuit concerning the legal claims in this case against any of the Non-Settling Defendants.</p> <p>If you exclude yourself from the ongoing lawsuit, you will receive no payment from any Non-Settling Defendant, even if any monies are collected as the result of a trial or settlement.</p> <p>You will remain in the Class on whose behalf the lawsuit will continue against the Non-Settling Defendants unless you submit a written request to exclude yourself as described in Question 12, below. You must submit a timely written request to exclude yourself from the Class, if you wish to do so, by April 15, 2019.</p>

This chart provides summary information about the lawsuits. The remainder of this Notice is designed to provide more information to help you evaluate your options and answer any questions that you may have.

- **This Notice explains your legal rights and options—and the deadlines to exercise them.**
- **The outcome of the class action lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants is not yet known. You will be notified if money or benefits are obtained from any of the Non-Settling Defendants through settlement(s) or trial.**
- **This is not a lawsuit against you.**
- **This notice summarizes your rights to participate or exclude yourself from the ongoing class action lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants.**
- **The Court is issuing a separate notice about possible partial settlements with certain Defendants. If you exclude yourself from the Class, you will still remain in the proposed Class for those partial settlements, unless you request exclusion (or opt-out) of the Class as described in Question 12 below.**
- **If you are receiving this Notice by mail, the additional notice concerning your right to exclude yourself from the partial settlements will be included in the package containing this Notice. If you are not receiving this Notice by mail, or if you have not otherwise received the additional notice, you may obtain the additional notice from the settlement website, which can be accessed at www.capacitorsantitrustsettlement.com, or by calling 866-903-1223.**
- **You may obtain additional information by visiting www.capacitorsantitrustsettlement.com, by contacting Class Counsel at (415) 500-6800, by accessing the Court docket in this case through the Court’s Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER) system at <https://ecf.cand.uscourts.gov>, or by visiting the office of the Clerk of the Court for the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Court holidays.**

PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE COURT OR THE COURT CLERK’S OFFICE TO INQUIRE ABOUT THIS NOTICE.

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BASIC INFORMATION

1. Why did I receive this Notice?

You have received this Notice because Defendants' records show you may have directly purchased Capacitors from one or more Defendant(s) or from a subsidiary, agent, affiliate or joint venture of a Defendant from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2013 (the "Class Period").

The Court sent you this Notice for the following reason:

Class members have the right to know about the Court's certification of a litigation class (the "Class") to pursue class action claims against the Non-Settling Defendants. You also have the right to continue in the class action lawsuit as a member of the Class or to exclude yourself from the Class. If you do not exclude yourself from the Class by following the instructions listed in Question 12, you give up your rights to sue any of the Non-Settling Defendants on your own about the same legal claims in this class action lawsuit, and you will be bound by the results in the ongoing lawsuit.

If you wish to exclude yourself from the Class, you must send a written request for exclusion by April 15, 2019, by following the instructions in Question 12.

2. What is this lawsuit about?

The lawsuit claims that Defendants entered into agreements artificially to raise, fix, or stabilize the prices of aluminum, tantalum, and film capacitors ("Capacitors") in violation of federal antitrust law. Each of the Defendants, including the Settling Defendants, expressly denies that it violated any laws or engaged in any wrongdoing, except that: (a) on January 21, 2016, NEC TOKIN Corporation pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to fix prices of certain electrolytic capacitors; (b) on June 9, 2016, Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd. pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to fix prices of certain electrolytic capacitors; (c) on October 11, 2017, ELNA Co., Ltd and Holystone pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to fix prices of certain electrolytic capacitors; (d) on October 12, 2017, Rubycon Corporation pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to fix prices of certain electrolytic capacitors; (e) on October 25, 2017, Matsuo Electric Co., Ltd. pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to fix prices of certain electrolytic capacitors; (f) on November 8, 2017, Nichicon Corporation pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to fix prices of certain electrolytic capacitors; and (g) on May 31, 2018, Nippon Chemi-Con Corporation pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to fix prices of certain electrolytic capacitors.

The Court has previously approved settlements of Plaintiffs' claims against the Previously Settled Defendants: Fujitsu Ltd., Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd., Hitachi AIC, Inc., Hitachi Chemical Co. America, Ltd., NEC Tokin Corporation, NEC Tokin America, Inc., Nitsuko Electronics Corporation, Okaya Electric Industries Co., Ltd., Okaya Electric America, Inc., ROHM Co., Ltd., ROHM Semiconductor U.S.A., LLC, Soshin Electric Co., Ltd., and Soshin Electronics of America Inc.

Additionally, plaintiffs have reached settlements reached with defendants Nichicon Corporation and Nichicon (America) Corporation (together, "Nichicon"); and Rubycon Corporation and Rubycon America Inc. (together, "Rubycon"). These settlements are currently pending approval by the Court. If the Court approves these settlements, Nichicon and Rubycon will become Settling Defendants, and the Class' lawsuit will not continue against them.

To obtain more information about the claims in this lawsuit, you can view the complaint and other court documents in this case at www.capacitorsantitrustsettlement.com.

3. Why is this a class action, and who is involved?

In a class action lawsuit, one or more people called "Named Plaintiffs" or "Class Representatives" sue on behalf of other people who have similar claims. The people and companies with similar claims together are a "Class" and each is called a "Class Member." In a class action, the court resolves the issues for all Class Members, except for those who exclude themselves (or "opt-out") from the Class.

4. What happens if Plaintiffs later reach a settlement with the Non-Settling Defendants?

The lawsuit will continue as a class action against the Non-Settling Defendants on behalf of all Class Members that do not exclude themselves from the lawsuit as described in Question 12. It is unknown whether Plaintiffs will obtain settlements with, or prevail at trial against, the Non-Settling Defendants. If there are additional settlements in the future, there will be notice of those settlements as well.

WHO HAS THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARTIAL SETTLEMENTS AND THE CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT?

5. Am I a Class Member who is part of the partial settlements and the ongoing class action lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants?

In general, direct purchasers of Capacitors are members of Class if they meet the following definition:

All persons (including individuals, companies, or other entities) that purchased Capacitors (including through controlled subsidiaries, agents, affiliates, or joint ventures) directly from any of the Defendants, their subsidiaries, agents, affiliates, or joint ventures from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2013 (the "Class Period"), and you such persons are: (a) inside the United States and were billed or invoiced for capacitors by one or more Defendants during the Class Period (*i.e.*, where capacitors were "billed to" persons within the United States); or (b) outside the United States and were billed or invoiced for capacitors by one or more Defendants during the Class Period, where such capacitors were imported into the United States by one or more Defendants (*i.e.*, where the capacitors were "billed to" persons outside the United States but "shipped to" persons within the United States).

Excluded from the Class are (i) Defendants (and their subsidiaries, agents, and affiliates); (ii) shareholders holding more than 10% equity interest in Defendants; (iii) each member of the Class that timely requests exclusion by "opting out"; (iv) governmental entities; and (v) the judges and chambers staff in this case, including their immediate families.

On November 14, 2018, the Hon. James Donato of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California entered an order certifying the Class. (Dkt. 385 of *In re Capacitors Antitrust Litig.*, 3:17-md-02801-JD).

6. I am still not sure if I am included.

If you received this Notice, it is because you were listed as a potential Class Member. If you are still not sure whether you are included, you can get help by calling Class Counsel at (415) 500-6800.

7. Does it make a difference whether I purchased Capacitors from a Settling Defendants or a Non-Settling Defendant?

No. As long as you fall within the definition of the Class in Question 5 above, you can participate in the partial settlements, and the ongoing lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants, regardless of the specific Defendant from which you purchased Capacitors.

8. What are my rights as a Class Member?

You have the right to continue participating in the lawsuit as a Class Member. You do not need to take additional action to remain in the Class or be a part of the ongoing lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants.

If you do not exclude yourself from the Class and remain a Class Member in the lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants, you will retain the possibility of receiving money or other benefits from the Non-Settling Defendants that may come from trial or settlement. By remaining in the Class, you will be bound by the outcome of the continuing lawsuit with the Non-Settling Defendants, and you will give up your right to file your own lawsuit. There is no money available now from any of the Non-Settling Defendants, and there is no guarantee there will be any in the future. The outcome of the continuing class action against the Non-Settling Defendants is not yet known. If additional money or benefits are obtained from the Non-Settling Defendants, you will be notified again.

You also have the right to exclude yourself from the Class, in which case you preserve any right you may have to bring or continue a lawsuit of your own against any of the Non-Settling Defendants but give up the right to receive any payment that could result from trial or future settlements in the Class' ongoing litigation with the Non-Settling Defendants.

THE LAWYERS REPRESENTING YOU

9. Who represents me in this case?

The Court appointed the following law firm as Lead Class Counsel (also referred to as "Plaintiffs' Counsel" or "Class Counsel") to represent the Class:

Joseph R. Saveri
JOSEPH SAVERI LAW FIRM, INC.
601 California Street, Suite 1000
San Francisco, CA 94108
(415) 500-6800
jsaveri@saverilawfirm.com

10. Should I get my own lawyer?

You do not need to hire your own lawyer because Class Counsel is working on your behalf. If you want your own lawyer, you may hire one, but you will be responsible for any payment for that lawyer's services. For example, you can ask your lawyer to appear in Court for you if you want someone other than Class Counsel to speak for you. You may also appear for yourself without a lawyer.

11. How will the lawyers be paid?

If there is a settlement or judgment against any Defendant, Class Counsel will make a motion to the Court requesting attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs and expenses. If the Court awards these payments, they will be paid from any settlements or recoveries.

You personally do not have to pay any of Class Counsel's fees, costs, or expenses.

EXCLUDING YOURSELF FROM THE CLASS IN THE ONGOING CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

12. How do I opt-out of the Class in the ongoing class action lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants?

If you fall within the Class definition but do not want to be included in the ongoing class action lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants, including because you want to retain the right to sue or continue to sue any Non-Settling Defendant, then you must request exclusion (or opt out) of this lawsuit.

To exclude yourself from the ongoing lawsuit, you must send a letter or other written request to the Notice and Claims Administrator at the address below indicating that you want to be excluded from the Class in *In re Capacitors Antitrust Litigation*. In your request, you must state your full legal name, address, and telephone number.

You must include the following statement with your request for exclusion: "I want to be excluded from the Class certified by the Court to pursue claims in the Capacitors Antitrust Litigation class action. I understand that by so doing, I will not be able to get any money or benefits from trial or settlement with any Non-Settling Defendants in this case." This Opt-Out Request Letter must be signed and dated by you. If you are signing on behalf of a corporation or other entity, you will need to include your title or authority to bind the corporation or entity.

You must separately request to exclude yourself from the ongoing litigation, even if you request to exclude yourself from the partial settlements pending approval from the Court. You have the right to participate in the partial settlements and still request exclusion from the Class in the ongoing lawsuit against the Non-Settling Defendants. Alternatively, you may stay in the Class and request exclusion from the partial settlements. These are two separate decisions you must make, and you have the right to exclude yourself from either, both, or none of them.

Exclusion/Opt-Out Request Mailing Information

To exclude yourself from one or more of the settlements with Settling Defendant(s) or from the ongoing litigation, you must submit your request for exclusion postmarked *via* First Class United States Mail (or United States Mail for overnight delivery) no later than April 15, 2019, (or received by the Notice and Claims Administrator by that date if sent by fax or e-mail) at the following address:

Notice and Claims Administrator
Capacitors Antitrust Direct Purchaser Litigation Settlement
P.O. Box 2563
Faribault, MN 55021-9563

You cannot exclude yourself (opt out) by telephone.

13. If I do not exclude myself, can I sue the Non-Settling Defendants for the same thing later?

No. If you are a Class Member, unless you exclude yourself from the Class, you give up the right to sue all of the Non-Settling Defendants as more fully described in Question 12 above.

If you have a pending lawsuit against any of the Defendants, speak to your lawyer in that lawsuit immediately, because you may need to exclude yourself from the Class to continue your own lawsuit. The process for excluding yourself from one or more of the settlements is described in the preceding section.

14. If I exclude myself from the Class, can I get money from the class action lawsuit?

No. If you exclude yourself from the Class, you will not be eligible to receive a share of any money recovered from Non-Settling Defendants in the future. But, by excluding yourself from the Class, you keep any rights to sue on your own about the same legal claims in this class action lawsuit should you wish to do so.

IF YOU DO NOTHING

15. What happens if I do nothing at all?

If you are a Class Member and you do nothing, you will remain a member of the Class. By remaining a member of the Class, you will retain the possibility of receiving money or other benefits from the Non-Settling Defendants that may come from trial or settlement. You will also be bound by the outcome of the continuing lawsuit with the Non-Settling Defendants, and you will give up your right to file your own lawsuit. There is no money available now from any of the Non-Settling Defendants and no guarantee there will be any in the future. The outcome of the continuing class action against the Non-Settling Defendants is not yet known. If additional money or benefits are obtained from the Non-Settling Defendants, you will be notified again.

To receive a portion of the settlement funds for the partial settlements pending before the Court, you must fill out a claim form as described in a separate notice from the Court concerning the partial settlements. To obtain a copy of that notice, please contact the Claims Administrator (866-903-1223) or Class Counsel (415-500-6800). You may also obtain a copy at www.capacitorsantitrustsettlement.com by selecting the "Filing a Claim" menu item.

GETTING MORE INFORMATION

16. How do I get more information?

You can obtain additional information at www.capacitorsantitrustsettlement.com. The Website also provides answers to common questions about the lawsuit, the Court's Order certifying the Class, and your rights as a member of the Class. Additionally, you can see or print Plaintiffs' class action complaint and information concerning the partial settlements at www.capacitorsantitrustsettlement.com, or at the Website of Class Counsel, the Joseph Saveri Law Firm, Inc., at www.saverilawfirm.com. You may also call or write to the Notice and Claims Administrator with your questions at:

Notice and Claims Administrator
In re Capacitors Antitrust Lawsuit
P.O. Box 2563
Faribault, MN 55021-9563
Telephone: 1-866-903-1223

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT. YOU SHOULD DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THIS NOTICE OR THE SETTLEMENT TO THE NOTICE AND CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR TO PLAINTIFFS' COUNSEL.

You may also seek the advice and counsel of your own attorney at your own expense, if you desire.