NOTICE OF DISCONTINUANCE OF COLOPLAST CANADA CORPORATION CLASS ACTION – TRANSVAGINAL MESH FOR STRESS URINARY INCONTINENCE AND PELVIC ORGAN PROLAPSE

Please Read this Notice Carefully. It May Affect Your Legal Rights.

By Order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, all persons resident in Canada who have been implanted with a Coloplast Canada Corporation ("Coloplast") transvaginal mesh ("TVM") product are advised that:

In September 2012, a proposed class proceeding was commenced in Ontario alleging that surgical mesh products distributed by Coloplast and implanted transvaginally in procedures for stress urinary incontinence (SUI) or pelvic organ prolapse (POP) were negligently designed or manufactured and distributed. The plaintiffs allege that this resulted in increased complications as compared to those for other treatment options.

Coloplast denies these allegations.

In early 2016, the plaintiffs and their legal counsel ("Siskinds") decided that the class action will no longer be pursued. In February 2016, they filed motion materials with the Ontario Superior Court of Justice to obtain approval of the discontinuance. The discontinuance was approved by the Court and it will be filed and take effect on July 15, 2016.

This discontinuance relates to the Coloplast transvaginal mesh class action only. It does not relate to claims against various other manufacturers of TVM products.

YOU SHOULD TAKE NOTICE THAT THE limitation period for bringing a claim, if there is any time left within it, will recommence when the notice of discontinuance is filed on July 15, 2016. On the expiry of a limitation period a right to sue may be extinguished.

TAKE NOTICE THAT because the limitation period for bringing a claim will recommence with the filing of the notice of discontinuance, if you wish to pursue a court claim against Coloplast in relation to a TVM product, you should issue a Notice of Action or Statement of Claim, if you have not already done so, before July 15, 2016.

Although Coloplast denies liability, it has agreed to attempt to settle certain claims on an individual basis. It will continue to consider the settlement of individual claims of which it is given notice by Siskinds **until November 14, 2016 ("the settlement program period")**.

If you have any questions about the discontinuance, the recommencement of the running of the limitation period, or about pursuing a claim against Coloplast during the settlement program period, please contact Siskinds at:

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It is recommended that you obtain legal advice from Siskinds or a lawyer of your choice. For updated information with respect to the discontinuance or about making a claim, please consult <u>www.siskinds.com/transvaginal-mesh</u>.

If you do not know what type of transvaginal mesh you were implanted with, you can retrieve your medical records, which will typically note the brand of mesh used. If you need help retrieving your records, Siskinds can assist.

PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE