SHORT-FORM NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT APPROVAL

NOTICE OF YASMIN AND YAZ LITIGATION SETTLEMENT APPROVAL

Please read this Notice carefully – your legal rights may be affected.

A Canada-wide settlement ("Settlement") has been reached with Bayer Inc. and other Bayer defendants (collectively "Bayer") in class actions in Ontario, Saskatchewan, and Quebec relating to the oral contraceptives Yasmin and YAZ. The class actions raised various allegations relating to blood clots (arterial thromboembolism, venous thromboembolism) and gallbladder disease and removal. Bayer denies the allegations made in the class actions, makes no admission as to the truth of these allegations, and denies any wrongdoing. The Settlement of the class actions has been approved by the Courts.

The allegations made in the class actions have not been proven in court and should not be considered in any way to be medical advice.

For the purposes of the Settlement, the Settlement Class is comprised of: (1) all persons resident in Canada who were prescribed and ingested Yasmin and/or YAZ between **December 10, 2004 (in respect of Yasmin) or January 6, 2009 (in respect of YAZ) and November 30, 2011 (in the case of Ontario and Québec residents) or October 4, 2016 (in the case of Canadian residents outside Ontario and Québec)**; and who were subsequently diagnosed with arterial thromboembolism, venous thromboembolism, and/or gallbladder disease; and (2) all persons resident in Canada who, by virtue of a personal relationship to any one or more of the persons described above, has a derivative claim for damages under Canadian family law legislation.

Under the Settlement, Bayer will provide an all-inclusive Settlement Fund of **CAD $9,050,000.00.** The Settlement Fund will be used, among other things, to pay the costs of notice and administration of the Settlement, the claims of Provincial Health Insurers, Class Counsel legal fees, and benefits for Approved Claimants who are part of the Settlement Class. The final value of benefits for each Approved Claimant will not be determined until all Claims are submitted and considered by the Claims Administrator.

To make a Claim for benefits from the Settlement, you must complete and submit a Claim Form (including the necessary supporting documents) to the Claims Administrator before **April 9, 2027 (11:59pm Eastern Time).** If you do NOT submit your Claim Form on time, you will not be eligible for any benefits from the Settlement. Please visit **www.YasminYAZClassActionCanada.ca** for details on how to submit a Claim.

If you have questions about the Settlement and/or would like to obtain more information, please visit **www.YasminYAZClassActionCanada.ca** or contact 1-877-741-8728 or Class Counsel directly, as follows:

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This Notice was approved by order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, the Superior Court of Québec, and the Court of King's Bench for Saskatchewan. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer. The court offices will be unable to answer any questions about the matters in this Notice. Please do not contact them.