Court File No.: 1899/15CP

Allott v. Panasonic Corporation et al

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Heard: February 1, 2023

## **ENDORSEMENT**

- 1. The plaintiff has entered into two partial settlements of this action: the first with the ROHM defendants and the second with the HDK defendants.
- 2. The plaintiff moves for certification for settlement purposes as a preliminary step necessary to settlement approval and approval of class counsel fees and disbursements. The proposed settlements require approval by this Court and courts in British Columbia and Quebec to be effective.
- 3. The settling defendants consent to the order requested today. The non-settling defendants take no position.
- 4. These are the third and fourth partial settlements in this action. The material filed is substantially the same as that filed for earlier motions to certify for settlement purposes. Likewise, the proposed notices to class members and notice plan are substantially the same as that previously approved by this court. The lone difference in the notice plan is the elimination of newspaper notice and the increase in "impressions" for the electronic notice. That change is reasonable and appropriate.
- 5. It is unnecessary in these circumstances to repeat the analysis done for the earlier motions. It applies *mutatis mutanda* to this motion regarding these proposed settlements. I am satisfied that the test for certification on the relaxed standard applicable to settlements is met. The order requested is granted. The proposed notices are approved. The proposed notice plan is approved. The appointment of Rice Point as Administrator is approved.

6. The date for the approval hearing (May 9, 2023 at 10 a.m.) was set in consultation with counsel. I will sign the orders provided by counsel and return same through the Trial Coordinator.

February 1, 2023

R. Raikes, J.