UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY NORTHERN DIVISION (at Covington)

))) MDL No. 2226) ALL CASES
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 ORDER RE: APPOINTMENT OF PLAINTIFFS' LIAISON COUNSEL)

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The plaintiffs having submitted their request for the appointment of Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel, and the Court being sufficiently advised, it is hereby

ORDERED as follows:

(1) Terms of Appointment

The person who accepts the appointment to serve as Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel agrees to serve for the duration of the litigation or until such time as the Court determines that a change in the duration of service shall be made. The Court may decide from time-to-time to remove or replace Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel, if appropriate depending upon the circumstances or needs of the litigation. This determination may include, but is not limited to, ongoing representation of a plaintiff in this proceeding. The Court appoints the following named person to this leadership role because of the expectation of his personal commitment and contribution to the work of the successful management of the MDL proceeding. For this reason, the Court will look to Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel to satisfy the goals that the Court expects him to achieve, including successful coordination of the MDL proceedings with any proceedings in related state court cases. While the Court contemplates that Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel will require the assistance of colleagues, paralegals, support staff, and others in the fulfillment of his assignment, the Court expects him to be responsible for the ultimate outcome of the activities performed.

(2) Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel

The Court appoints the following attorney as Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel:

Harry Rankin Sutton Rankin PLC 130 Dudley Road, Suite 250 Edgewood, KY 41017 (859) 331-8883 hrankin@suttonrankinlaw.com

Plaintiffs' Liaison Counsel shall discharge the following duties:

- (a) maintain a current Master Service List of counsel of record;
- (b) maintain and distribute to plaintiffs' counsel and to Defendants' Liaison

Counsel an up-to-date service list as to plaintiffs;

(c) file and serve on behalf of plaintiffs those filings relative to the master

docket of the litigation;

(d) maintain complete files, with copies of all documents served upon them,

and to make those files available to plaintiffs;

- (e) perform such other duties as may be incidental to the proper coordination of administrative activities with the Court (such as ECF, file maintenance, distribution, and such other activities as the Court from time to time directs); and
 - (f) perform such other duties as necessary.

This 28th day of December, 2011.



Signed By: <u>Danny C. Reeves</u> DCR United States District Judge