UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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IN RE:

GENERAL MOTORS LLC IGNITION SWITCH LITIGATION

14-MD-2543 (JMF) 14-MC-2543 (JMF)

ORDER NO. 157

This Document Relates to All Actions

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JESSE M. FURMAN, United States District Judge:

[Regarding the November 2, 2018 Status Conference]

The Court, having held a status conference on November 2, 2018, and having given counsel an opportunity to be heard on the agenda items set forth in the parties' October 26, 2018 tentative agenda letter and the Court's November 1, 2018 Order (Docket Nos. 6220, 6250), issues this Order to memorialize the actions taken and rulings made at the status conference.

I. <u>NEXT STATUS CONFERENCE</u>

A status conference will be held <u>Wednesday, January 23, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. EST</u> in Courtroom 1105 of the Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse, 40 Centre Street, New York, New York.

II. <u>PERSONAL INJURY NEXT STEPS</u>

Consistent with the Court's comments at the status conference, by **Friday, December 7, 2018**, the parties shall submit joint or competing letter briefs (not to exceed 10 single-spaced pages) regarding next steps for the personal injury plaintiffs.¹

¹ For the sake of efficiency, the parties' joint or competing letter briefs should also address next steps for Post-Sale Non-Ignition Switch Plaintiffs required by Order No. 153. (*See* 10/22/2018 Order, Docket No. 6199.) In other words, and consistent with the Court's comments at the status conference, the Court grants the parties an extension until **Friday**, **December 7**, 2018, for the parties to submit joint or competing letter briefs regarding next steps for personal injury

III. COMMON BENEFIT FUND AND ATTORNEY BILLING REPORT

Consistent with the Court's comments at the status conference, by **Friday, January 4**, **2019**, Lead Counsel for plaintiffs shall submit to the Court under seal an update on the common benefit fund and attorney billing report.

IV. ECONOMIC LOSS BELLWETHER TRIAL

Upon reflection, the Court agrees with Lead Counsel that it is appropriate to set at least a tentative date for the economic loss bellwether trial. Unless and until the Court orders otherwise, trial will begin on <u>Monday, January 13, 2020</u>, at <u>9:00 a.m.</u> (For now, the Court is allotting a maximum of five weeks for the trial.) The parties should be prepared to address at a future status conference a proposed schedule for pretrial deadlines.

V. <u>SETTLEMENT</u>

Consistent with the Court's comments at the Status Conference, the parties should continue to keep the Court apprised of developments regarding settlement.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 8, 2018 New York, New York

JESSE M. FURMAN United States District Judge

plaintiffs, including next steps for plaintiffs subject to the Court's October 22, 2018 Order referenced above.