

**ACandS ASBESTOS SETTLEMENT TRUST  
NOTICE**

To: All Claimants and Claimants' Counsel

From: Trustee of the ACandS Asbestos Settlement Trust (the "Trust")

Date: December 31, 2020

In recognition of the hardships resulting from the current COVID-19 pandemic, the Trust adopts the following temporary policies:

**Statute of Limitations.** At this time, the Trust will continue to enforce deadlines for the filing of claims set forth in Section 5.1(a)(2) of the TDP. However, in recognition of the inability of many claimants to file their claim on a timely basis as a result of circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trust will extend the applicable limitation period for 120 days for claims whose limitation expires during the period from March 20, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

**Other Deadlines.** The Trust recognizes the inability of many claimants, as a result of circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic, to respond to deficiencies and offers in the time frame required. As such, where the time to respond to a deficiency or an offer expires during the period from March 20, 2020 through March 31, 2021, the Trust will extend the time for 120 days. Any deferral periods that expire during the period from March 20, 2020 through March 31, 2021 will also be extended for 120 days.

**Affidavits.** In light of current guidelines related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trustee recognizes that some claimants may not have access to a notary. The Trust may accept the signature of one witness (related or unrelated) as reliable authentication of an affidavit if the affidavit was executed and submitted to the Trust during the period from March 20, 2020 through March 31, 2021. The Trust reserves the right to request supplemental documentation at a later date. The Trust may also accept the authentication of affidavits through DocuSign or similar authorized electronic signature program provided that documentation of the electronic signature history and certificate from the electronic signature program is submitted with the affidavit.

**Releases.** In light of current guidelines related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trustee recognizes that some claimants may not have access to a notary or to two unrelated witnesses for the authentication of releases. The Trust may accept the signature of one witness (related or unrelated) as reliable authentication of a release if the release was executed and submitted to the Trust during the period from March 20, 2020 through March 31, 2021 so long as the law firm representing the claimant has submitted a letter regarding the firm's procedures for the authentication of documents during this time period. The Trust may also accept releases executed through DocuSign or similar authorized electronic signature program provided that documentation of the electronic signature history and certificate from the electronic signature program is submitted with the release.