IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS

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Louis Dreyfus Company Grains Merchandising LLC v. Syngenta AG, et al., No. 16-2788-JWL-JPO

Trans Coastal Supply Company, Inc. v. Syngenta AG, et al., No. 2:14-cv-02637-JWL-JPO

The Delong Co., Inc. v. Syngenta AG et al., No. 2:17-cv-02614-JWL-JPO

Agribase International Inc. v. Syngenta AG, et al., No. 2:15-cv-02279-JWL-JPO

Master File No. 2:14-MD-02591-JWL-JPO

MDL No. 2591

JOINT MOTION FOR AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES

In accordance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(h) and 54(d)(2),¹ the law firms of Phipps Anderson Deacon, LLP, Clark Love Hutson, GP, and Meyers & Flowers, LLC ("Movants" or the "Illinois Leadership Group"), jointly and respectfully petition the Court to award and allocate one-third (1/3) of the Syngenta Agrisure Viptera/Duracade class settlement fund in the manner set out in the brief accompanying this Motion. Movants also seek reimbursement of necessary and reasonable litigation expenses in the total sum of \$7,665,415.73. This motion is

¹ "Rule 23(h) sets forth the procedures for fee awards in class actions lawsuits; however, in doing so, Rule 23(h) explicitly adopts the procedures of Rule 54(d)(2), as applicable in the class context. Thus, motions for attorney's fees in class suits are generally governed by both Rule 23 and Rule 54, as well as local versions of those rules, and judicial interpretations of them." *Rubenstein*, 5 NEWBERG ON CLASS ACTIONS § 15:9 (Fifth Ed. 2015).

submitted in compliance with Section 7.2.1 of the Agrisure Viptera/Duracade Class Settlement preliminarily approved by the Court on April 10, 2018.² DN 3507-2, 3531, 3532. In accordance with District of Kansas Local Rules 7.1 and 7.6, this Motion is accompanied by a *Memorandum Brief in Support of Joint Motion for Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses*, which is filed herewith and incorporated herein by reference.

Dated: July 10, 2018 Respectfully submitted,

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² Section 7.2.1 states, in pertinent part: "Settlement Class Counsel and other counsel representing Class Members who performed work for the benefit of Class Members shall make Fee and Expense Applications . . . for a Fee and Expense Award." In granting preliminary approval of the settlement, the Court stated that any person "seeking attorneys' fees, expenses, or service/case contribution/incentive awards from the Settlement Fund must file a motion, including any supporting memoranda and materials, by the Fee and Expense Application Deadline." DN 3532.

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