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## UNITED STATES ANNOUNCES \$25 MILLION SETTLEMENT WITH GM TO RESOLVE ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITIES AT SIX SITES

PREET BHARARA, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced today that the United States and five States have entered into settlement agreements worth \$25 million with Chapter 11 debtor MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY ("Old GM"), formerly known as General Motors Corporation, to settle certain environmental liabilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), and state environmental laws. The settlement agreements were filed today in Manhattan bankruptcy court.

Under the terms of the settlement agreements, Old GM will pay approximately \$25 million in cash for the cleanup of six sites in five states. The cleanup costs allocated by site are:

- \$6,732,895 for the Garland Road Site in West Milton, Ohio;
- \$5,329,343 for the Delphi Harrison Site in Dayton, Ohio;
- \$6,476,634 for the Sioux City Site in Sioux City, Iowa;
- \$3,599,039 for the Scatterfield Road Site in Anderson, Indiana;
- \$2,484,816 for the Harvey and Knott Drum Site in Glasgow, Delaware; and
- \$385,991 for the Wheeler Pit Site near Janesville, Wisconsin.

The \$15,694,345 allocated for the Garland Road, Sioux City, and Harvey and Knott Drum Sites will be placed into special accounts within the Superfund. The payments for the Scatterfield Road Site will be placed into a trust created pursuant to C.F.R. Section 264.151(a)(1). The payments for the Wheeler Pit and Delphi Harrison Sites will be placed in special accounts administered by Wisconsin and Ohio, respectively. In addition, the United States will receive allowed, general unsecured claims in the amount of \$3 million against GM to settle environmental claims for unreimbursed past cleanup costs and for future oversight costs at the Garland Road, Harvey and Knott, and Wheeler Pit Sites. The State of Ohio will also receive an allowed, general unsecured claim of \$134,326 to settle unreimbursed past cleanup costs at the Garland Road Site.

In June 2009, Old GM - then the second-largest automotive manufacturer in the world - and three wholly-owned subsidiaries filed Chapter 11 petitions in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. The same day it filed for bankruptcy, Old GM also filed a motion to sell substantially all of its assets to a newly formed corporation, now known as General Motors Company ("New GM"), which was approved by the Bankruptcy Court in July 2009.

The United States filed proofs of claim against Old GM and its affiliated debtors asserting, among other things, protective claims based on Old GM's injunctive cleanup obligations at the Garland Road, Delphi-Harrison, Wheeler Pit, Harvey and Knott, and Scatterfield Road Sites. Old GM formerly owned and operated facilities located at those sites, or disposed of hazardous substances at the properties, and was subject to administrative or court orders requiring Old GM to remediate the sites. Additionally, the State of Iowa filed a protective proof of claim against Old GM to enforce its cleanup obligations under a state court order at the Sioux City Site.

In its proofs of claim, the United States also sought to recover against Old GM and its affiliated debtors for past and future environmental cleanup costs at 89 other sites owned or operated by the debtors. The United States, certain States, and the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe previously entered into a \$773 million separate settlement agreement with GM to resolve its environmental liabilities at those sites. The six settlement agreements filed today do not affect the general unsecured claims held by the United States against Old GM for past costs and natural resource damages relating to the 89 sites subject to the previous settlement agreement. Nor do they affect the proofs of claim filed against Old GM by the United States and various States for sites other than the six sites at issue.

Before being considered by the Bankruptcy Court for approval, the Settlement Agreements will be lodged with the Bankruptcy Court for a period of 30 days to provide public notice and to afford members of the public the opportunity to comment on the Settlements.

Mr. BHARARA praised the efforts of the Environment and Natural Resources Division and the Environmental Protection Agency in connection with these settlements.

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