UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: ALL DIRECT PURCHASER CLASS ACTIONS	Case No. 1:24-cv-07639 Hon. LaShonda A. Hunt

AMENDED DECLARATION OF GINA INTREPIDO-BOWDEN REGARDING SETTLEMENT NOTICE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

I, Gina Intrepido-Bowden, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am a Vice President at JND Legal Administration ("JND"). JND is a legal administration services provider with its headquarters located in Seattle, Washington. JND has extensive experience with all aspects of legal administration and has administered hundreds of class action settlements. I am a nationally recognized legal notice expert with more than 20 years of experience designing and implementing class action legal notice programs. I have been involved in many of the largest and most complex class action notice programs, including all aspects of notice dissemination.

2. This Declaration is based on my personal knowledge, as well as upon information provided to me by experienced JND employees and the Parties, and, if called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently thereto.

3. JND is serving as the Settlement Administrator in the above-captioned matter, pursuant to the Court's Orders Granting Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs' (DPP's) Motions for Preliminary Approval of Settlement Agreements with Defendants Westlake Corporation and Westlake Pipe & Fittings Corporation (collectively, the "Westlake Defendants"), dated April 24, 2026 (ECF No. 710), the Atkore Defendants, dated May 13, 2026 (ECF No. 733), and Defendants

Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech, dated June 3, 2026 (ECF No. 778) (collectively the "Preliminary Approval Orders").

4. I previously submitted a Declaration Regarding Settlement Notice Plan with the Westlake Defendants dated April 13, 2026 (ECF No. 701), the Atkore Defendants dated April 29, 2026 (ECF No. 716), and Defendants Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech dated May 29, 2026 (ECF No. 769) (collectively, the "Notice Plan"). Given the timing of the Court's approval, there were cost savings and the benefit of a simplified notice by implementing the three Court-approved Notice Plans simultaneously with one combined notice to the Settlement Class. I submit this Declaration to describe the implementation of that combined Notice Plan.

NOTICE PLAN OVERVIEW

5. The objective of the Notice Plan was to provide the best notice practicable, consistent with the methods and tools employed in other court-approved notice programs and to allow DPP Settlement Class Members the opportunity to review a plain language notice and easily take the next step to learn more about the proposed Settlements. The FJC's *Judges' Class Action Notice and Claims Process Checklist and Plain Language Guide* consider a Notice Plan with a high reach (above 70%) to be effective.[1]

6. The DPP Settlement Class consists of all persons and entities who purchased PVC Pipe and/or Fittings in the United States between January 1, 2020 and March 31, 2026, **directly** from one or more of the Converter Defendants (or from any of the Converter Defendants' parents, predecessors, subsidiaries, or affiliates). Converter Defendants include: Atkore Inc. (and subsidiaries/divisions/affiliated brands Atkore International, Inc., Atkore Plastic Pipe Corp., Allied Tube & Conduit Corporation, Atkore RMCP, Inc., Heritage, Queen City Plastics, Rocky Mountain Colby Pipe a/k/a RMCP, Inc. n/k/a Cor-Tek); Cantex Inc.; Charlotte Pipe and Foundry Co.; Cresline Plastic Pipe Co.; Diamond Plastics Corporation; Prime Conduit, Inc.; Sanderson Pipe Corporation; Southern Pipe, Inc.; IPEX USA, LLC; J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc. d/b/a JM

[1] Reach is the percentage of a specific population group exposed to a media vehicle or a combination of media vehicles containing a notice at least once over the course of a campaign. Reach factors out duplication, representing total different/net persons.

Eagle; National Pipe & Plastics, Inc.; Pipelife Jet Stream, Inc.; Otter Tail Corporation; Northern Pipe Products, Inc.; Vinyltech Corporation; Westlake Corporation; and Westlake Pipe & Fittings Corporation. Excluded from the DPP Settlement Class are Defendants, and their parents, predecessors, subsidiaries, and affiliates, and all federal government entities and instrumentalities of the federal government.

7. The Notice Plan included the following components, as further described in the sections below:

a. Class Action Fairness Act (CAFA) Notice to appropriate state and federal officials;

b. Direct notice to all known DPP Settlement Class Members for whom contact information was provided;

c. Digital notice targeted specifically to potential DPP Settlement Class Members;

d. A settlement website that provides detailed information about the proposed Settlements, including a page with answers to frequently asked questions, contact information, key dates, links to important case documents including the Long Form Notice, attached as **Exhibit A**, and the Settlement Agreement; and

e. A toll-free number for the Settlements, which includes an interactive voice response (IVR), and post office box through which DPP Settlement Class Members may obtain more information about the proposed Settlements and request that the Long Form Notice be sent to them.

8. Based on my experience in developing and implementing settlement notice programs, I believe that a Notice Plan with these elements provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances.

9. Each component of the Notice Plan is described in more detail in the sections below.

CAFA NOTICE

10. On April 22, 2026, the Westlake Defendants mailed the Westlake Settlement CAFA Notice to the appropriate state and federal government officials. On May 8, 2026, JND mailed the Atkore Settlement CAFA Notice to the appropriate state and federal government officials and posted supplemental CAFA materials to the CAFA website maintained for the matter. On June 8, 2026, JND mailed the Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech Settlement CAFA Notice to the appropriate state and federal government officials and posted supplemental CAFA materials to the CAFA website maintained for the matter. As of the date of this Declaration, JND has not received any objection or other correspondence relating to the Settlements from any recipients of the CAFA Notices.

DIRECT NOTICE

11. The Converter Defendants previously produced customer information to JND for the period of January 1, 2021 through May 16, 2025, pursuant to the July 16, 2025 Stipulation and Order Regarding Provision of Customer Information by Non-Settling Defendants to Effectuate Notice of Plaintiffs' Proposed Settlements with Defendant OPIS (ECF No. 358). In light of the expanded DPP Settlement Class period, following the Preliminary Approval Orders, and pursuant to the May 11, 2026, Order Regarding Provision of Customer Information by Converter Defendants to Effectuate Notice of DPPs' Proposed Settlements with the Westlake Defendants and the Atkore Defendants (ECF No. 729), JND received supplemental DPP Settlement Class names and addresses from the Converter Defendants for the period of January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2026, and promptly loaded the information into the secure, case-specific database for this matter. JND employs robust administrative, technical, and physical controls to protect confidential class member data and safeguard against the risk of loss, misuse, unauthorized access, disclosure, or modification of the data.

12. Once the data was loaded, JND identified any undeliverable addresses or duplicate records from the data and assigned a unique identification number to each additional DPP Settlement Class Member for tracking throughout the settlement administration process.

13. On June 26, 2026, JND mailed the Long Form Notice to 28,210 DPP Settlement Class Members for whom a valid postal address was provided.

14. Prior to mailing notice, JND staff performed address research using the United States Postal Service ("USPS") National Change of Address ("NCOA") database to update addresses.[2] JND tracked all notices returned undeliverable by the USPS and promptly re-mailed notices that were returned with a forwarding address.

15. As of August 27, 2026, JND has received 2,692 Long Form Notices returned as undeliverable, of which 102 were forwarded to updated addresses provided by USPS.

16. The overall deliverability rate of the direct notice effort is 90.8%.

DIGITAL NOTICE

17. To supplement the direct notice effort, JND caused a digital effort to launch with the leading digital network (Google Display Network - "GDN") and the top business social platform (LinkedIn), as well as a notice placement in a well-respected industry website PlasticNews.com and eNewsletter (*Plastic News* Daily Report). Digital advertisements appeared from June 26, 2026 through July 23, 2026 on GDN, LinkedIn and PlasticNews.com, delivering 5,056,868 digital impressions,[3] 786,868 more than what was originally planned.

18. The GDN impressions targeted (1) sites/articles/pages covering topics such as HVAC & Climate Control Plumbing, Water Filters & Purifiers, Industrial Handling & Processing Equipment, Fluid Handling, Plumbing Fixtures & Equipment, Construction & Maintenance; (2) audiences in-market for PVC, Pipe Materials, PVC Pipe & Fittings; or (3) users with an affinity for Plastic Tubing.

[2] The NCOA database is the official USPS technology product which makes changes of address information available to mailers to help reduce undeliverable mail pieces before mail enters the mail stream.

[3] Impressions or Exposures are the total number of opportunities to be exposed to a media vehicle or combination of media vehicles containing a notice. Impressions are a gross or cumulative number that may include the same person more than once. As a result, impressions can and often do exceed the population size.

19. The LinkedIn activity reached users: (1) employed at company/industries including Specialty Trade Contractors, Building Construction, Civil Engineering, Wholesale Hardware/Plumbing/Heating Equipment, or Utility System Construction; (2) within member groups such as Pipes & Fittings Manufacturers, Plastic Granules or Pipes (HDPE, PVC, PP, LIDPE, ABS, PC); or (3) with skills such as Plumbing, PVC, Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing (MEP).

20. *PlasticNews.com* impressions targeted plastic product manufacturers and their suppliers and customers.

21. Ten notice placements also appeared in the *Plastic News* Daily Report eNewsletter on June 26, 2026, June 30, 2026, July 1, 2026, July 6, 2026, July 9, 2026, July 14, 2026, July 17, 2026, July 20, 2026, July 22, 2026, and July 24, 2026. The eNewsletter placements provided a total of 68,200 sends.

22. The digital activity was served across all devices, with an emphasis on mobile. The ads included an embedded link to the settlement website, where DPP Settlement Class Members could receive more information about the proposed Settlements.

23. Screenshots of the digital notices as they appeared on GDN, LinkedIn, *PlasticNews.com* and *Plastic News* Daily Report eNewsletter are attached as **Exhibit B**.

SETTLEMENT WEBSITE

24. On June 25, 2026, JND updated the informational, interactive case-specific settlement website, www.PVCPipeDirectClass.com, so that DPP Settlement Class Members may obtain more information about the proposed Settlements. The settlement website has an easy-to-navigate design and is formatted to emphasize important information and deadlines. It provides links to important case documents, including the Long Form Notice. The website address is prominently displayed in the Long Form Notice and accessible through the digital notices.

25. The settlement website is ADA-compliant and optimized for mobile visitors so that information loads quickly on mobile devices. It is designed to maximize search engine optimization through Google and other search engines.

26. As of August 27, 2026, there have been 61,167 views to the settlement website pages and documents and 52,087 unique visitors to the settlement website. JND will continue to maintain the settlement website throughout the settlement administration process.

TOLL-FREE NUMBER AND POST OFFICE BOX

27. On June 25, 2026, JND updated the automated toll-free telephone line, 1-855-779-9069, so that DPP Settlement Class Members may call for information related to the proposed Settlements. As of August 27, 2026, JND has received 80 calls to the toll-free line. JND will continue to maintain the toll-free line throughout the settlement administration process.

28. JND also established a dedicated post office box for this matter where DPP Settlement Class Members may send exclusion requests and other correspondence. JND will continue to maintain the post office box throughout the settlement administration process.

REQUESTS FOR EXCLUSION

29. The Long Form Notice informed recipients that any DPP Settlement Class Member who wished to exclude themselves from the proposed Settlements ("opt-out") could do so by mailing an exclusion letter to JND by the August 25, 2026 deadline.

30. JND has received three (3) timely and valid requests for exclusion from the Westlake Settlement, zero (0) from the Atkore Settlement, and three (3) from the Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech Settlement. A list of the names of the DPP Settlement Class Members who requested exclusion in accordance with the Settlements' requirements is attached as **Exhibit C**.

OBJECTIONS

31. The Long Form Notice informed recipients that any DPP Settlement Class Member who wanted to object to the approval of the proposed Settlements must submit a written statement to the Court by August 25, 2026.

32. JND has not received and is not aware of any objections.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

33. The Long Form Notice informed DPP Settlement Class Members that payments from the Settlement Funds would not be sent to DPP Settlement Class Members at this time. It explained that DPP Settlement Class Members who did not submit an exclusion request would be eligible to receive a payment at a later date.

NOTICE DESIGN AND CONTENT

34. The Court-approved Long Form Notice was written in plain language and is consistent with documents other courts have determined comply with the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution, and any other applicable statute, law, or rule. Based on my experience designing class notice programs, in my opinion, the Long Form Notice complies with these requirements, as well as the FJC's *Judges' Class Action Notice and Claims Process Checklist and Plain Language Guide*.

35. The Long Form Notice contains plain and easy-to-read summaries of the proposed Settlements and the options available to DPP Settlement Class Members. Additionally, the Long Form Notice provides instructions on how to obtain more information about the proposed Settlements.

REACH

36. The mailed notice alone successfully reached 90.8% of DPP Settlement Class Members. The digital effort enhanced that reach further. As a result, the provided reach exceeded that of other court-approved programs and the 70% or above reach standard set forth by the FJC.[4]

[4] Federal Judicial Center, *Judges' Class Action Notice and Claims Process Checklist and Plain Language Guide* (2010), p. 3 states: "The lynchpin in an objective determination of the adequacy of a proposed notice effort is whether all the notice efforts together will reach a high percentage of the class. It is reasonable to reach between 70–95%."

CONCLUSION

37. In my opinion, the Notice Plan provided the best notice practicable under the circumstances and is consistent with the requirements of Rule 23 and other similar court-approved notice programs. The Notice Plan provided DPP Settlement Class Members with the opportunity to review the notice and easily take next steps to learn more about the proposed Settlements.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 17th day of September 2026, in Stone Harbor, NJ.

Gina Intrepido-Bowden

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EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

$179 Million Class Action Settlements Reached

If you purchased PVC Pipe and/or Fittings in the United States between January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2026, directly from any of the following companies, you may be affected:

Atkore Inc. (and subsidiaries, divisions and/or brands Allied Tube & Conduit Corp., Heritage, Queen City Plastics, Rocky Mountain Colby Pipe, and Cor-Tek)

Cantex Inc.

Charlotte Pipe and Foundry Co.

Cresline Plastic Pipe Co.

Diamond Plastics Corporation

Prime Conduit, Inc.

Sanderson Pipe Corporation

Southern Pipe, Inc.

IPEX USA, LLC

J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc. d/b/a JM Eagle

National Pipe & Plastics, Inc.

Pipelife Jet Stream, Inc.

Otter Tail Corporation

Northern Pipe Products, Inc.

Vinyltech Corporation

Westlake Corporation

Westlake Pipe & Fittings Corporation

A federal court authorized this Notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer or a claims filing service. If you receive communications from third parties about these Settlements, those communications were not approved or authorized by the court. You do not need to retain a claims filing service in order to receive a payment from these proposed Settlements.

- You may be affected by **three** proposed settlements (the "Settlements") in a class action lawsuit called *In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 1:24-cv-07639, pending in the United States District Court for the

Northern District of Illinois (the "Action"). The proposed settlements are **partial** settlements because only three groups of Converter Defendants have settled:

1. Atkore Inc., Atkore International, Inc., Atkore Plastic Pipe Corp., Atkore RMCP, Inc., Allied Tube & Conduit Corporation, and affiliated brands Heritage, Queen City Plastics, Rocky Mountain Colby Pipe a/k/a RMCP, Inc. n/k/a Cor-Tek (collectively, "Atkore") have paid $72.5 million, which is earning interest
2. Westlake Corporation and Westlake Pipe & Fittings Corporation (collectively, "Westlake") have paid $67 million, which is earning interest; and
3. Otter Tail Corporation ("Otter Tail"), Northern Pipe Products, Inc. ("Northern Pipe"), and Vinyltech Corporation ("Vinyltech") (collectively "Otter Tail") of which Northern Pipe and Vinyltech have agreed to pay $39.5 million

Collectively, Atkore, Westlake, Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech are the "Settling Defendants."

The lawsuit is continuing against 11 Converter Defendants who have not settled. A settlement has also been reached with defendant Oil Price Information Service, LLC ("OPIS"). You may have received a notice about that settlement. This is a separate Notice about these three Settlements in this litigation.

- Under the proposed Settlements, the Settling Defendants have agreed to pay a total of **$179 million** (in addition, OPIS previously paid $3 million, bringing the collective total to **$182 million**) to create a Settlement Fund for the benefit of DPP Settlement Class Members, in exchange for a release, including the release of any and all claims against Settling Defendants and the Settling Defendants' Released Parties (as defined in the Settlement Agreements) relating in any way to the allegations in the Action, as set out in the Settlement Agreements. The Settling Defendants have also agreed to provide certain cooperation that may be useful to the DPPs in the continuing lawsuit against the non-settling Converter Defendants. The release of Settling Defendants and the Settling Defendants' Released Parties does not include a release of any of the non-settling Converter Defendants. The lawsuit is continuing against them.
- The Converter Defendants include the following manufacturers of PVC Pipe and/or Fittings: Atkore Inc. (and subsidiaries/divisions/affiliated brands Atkore International, Inc., Atkore Plastic Pipe Corp., Allied Tube & Conduit Corporation, Atkore RMCP, Inc., Heritage, Queen City Plastics, Rocky Mountain Colby Pipe a/k/a RMCP, Inc. n/k/a Cor-Tek); Cantex Inc.; Charlotte Pipe and Foundry Co.; Cresline Plastic Pipe Co.; Diamond Plastics Corporation; Prime Conduit, Inc.; Sanderson Pipe Corporation; Southern Pipe, Inc.; IPEX USA, LLC; J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc. d/b/a JM Eagle; National Pipe & Plastics, Inc.; Pipelife Jet Stream, Inc.; Otter Tail Corporation; Northern Pipe Products, Inc.; Vinyltech Corporation; and Westlake Corporation and Westlake Pipe & Fittings Corporation.
- "PVC Pipe and/or Fittings" refers to pipe and fittings made in whole or in part with polyvinyl chloride ("PVC"), as defined in each Settlement Agreement.
- The proposed Settlements are only on behalf of Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs Bill Wagner & Son, Inc., Vitolite Electric Sales Co., and Hodges Supply Company ("DPPs") and the DPP Settlement Class. DPPs and the DPP Settlement Class are persons and entities who purchased PVC Pipe and/or Fittings ***directly*** from one or more of the Converter Defendants in the United States and its territories during the period between January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2026.
- Payments to eligible DPP Settlement Class Members will be distributed following the Court's final approvals of the proposed Settlements with the Settling Defendants. If you did not exclude yourself from the OPIS settlement and do not exclude yourself from these proposed Settlements with Settling Defendants, you will be eligible to receive payments from **all** settlements. If you exclude yourself from any one of the Settlements, you will **not** be eligible to receive a payment from that Settlement. Please visit www.PVCPipeDirectClass.com for updates.

- The proposed Settlements relate to a class action lawsuit brought on behalf of ***direct*** purchasers of PVC Pipe and/or Fittings. There are also lawsuits pending in the same Court on behalf of *indirect* purchasers. This proposed Settlement applies only to ***direct*** purchases of PVC Pipe and/or Fittings from the Converter Defendants and does **not** apply to any *indirect* purchases of PVC Pipe and/or Fittings.
- DPPs allege that, as of January 1, 2020, and continuing until March 31, 2026, Defendants engaged in a conspiracy to inflate prices of PVC Pipe and/or Fittings in the United States and its territories, that Defendants broke the law and as a result DPP Settlement Class Members paid more for PVC Pipe and/or Fittings than they otherwise would have. The Court has not decided who is right.
- If the Court approves the Settlements, they will resolve the claims in the Action against the Settling Defendants only. They will also release any and all claims against the Settling Defendants and the Settling Defendants' Released Parties relating in any way to the allegations in the Action, as set out in the Settlement Agreements.
- **Your legal rights will be affected whether or not you act.**
- Your rights and options – **and the deadlines to exercise them** – are explained in this Notice, along with information about the lawsuit and proposed Settlements. Please read the entire Notice carefully.

Your Legal Rights and Options		
DO NOTHING	• Stay in the DPP Settlement Class • If the Court approves the proposed Settlements, you may be eligible for a payment. The $179 million Settlement Fund will be combined with the $3 million OPIS settlement fund for a distribution to DPP Settlement Class Members after the Court has given final approval of these proposed Settlements • Give up your right to separately sue or continue to sue the Settling Defendants and the Settling Defendants' Released Parties for any and all claims relating in any way to the allegations in the Action, as set out in the Settlement Agreements (See Question 11)	None
GO TO THE COURT'S HEARING	• Ask the Court for permission to speak about the fairness of the proposed Settlements (See Question 20)	**October 1, 2026**
OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT	• Stay in the DPP Settlement Class, but write to the Court about why you don't like the proposed Settlements (See Question 16). You will still be bound by the proposed Settlements	**August 25, 2026**
EXCLUDE YOURSELF ("OPT OUT")	• Remove yourself from any or all of the proposed Settlements on or before the exclusion deadline by following the instructions in this Notice (see Question 12) • Get no payment from the proposed Settlement(s) from which you exclude yourself • Keep your right to separately sue or continue to sue any of the Settling Defendants and the Settling Defendants' Released Parties from which you exclude yourself for the claims described in the Settlement Agreements (See Question 12)	Postmarked by **August 25 2026**

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Basic Information

1. Why did I get this Notice?

You received this Notice because you or your company may have purchased PVC Pipe and/or Fittings **directly** from one or more of the Converter Defendants between January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2026.

The Court has directed that this Notice be sent to you because, as a possible DPP Settlement Class Member, you have the right to know about the proposed Settlements and your rights and options before the Court decides whether to approve the proposed Settlements.

This Notice explains the lawsuit, the proposed Settlements, and your legal rights.

U.S. District Judge the Honorable LaShonda A. Hunt of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in Chicago, Illinois, is the judge overseeing this class action. The case is called *In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 1:24-cv-07639. The people who sued are called Plaintiffs, and the companies they sued are called Defendants. The only Defendants that have settled the lawsuit brought by the direct purchasers are OPIS and the Settling Defendants here, for which the Final Approval hearing is scheduled for October 1, 2026. The lawsuit is continuing against the other non-settling Converter Defendants.

2. What is this lawsuit about?

The lawsuit alleges that Defendants conspired to fix, raise, maintain, and stabilize the price of PVC Pipe and/or Fittings starting as early as January 1, 2020, and continuing until March 31, 2026, and that DPP Settlement Class Members paid higher prices for PVC Pipe and/or Fittings as a result. The Court has not decided who is right.

DPPs have reached proposed Settlements with the Settling Defendants. While the Settling Defendants do not concede or admit liability for DPPs' allegations, they have agreed to settle this action to avoid the uncertainties and risks of further litigation. The lawsuit is proceeding against the non-settling Converter Defendants.

3. Who are the Defendants?

The Settling Defendants and the other Converter Defendants are collectively called Converter Defendants. The Converter Defendants are: Atkore Inc. (and subsidiaries/divisions/affiliated brands Atkore International, Inc., Atkore Plastic Pipe Corp., Allied Tube & Conduit Corporation, Atkore RMCP, Inc., Heritage, Queen City Plastics, and Rocky Mountain Colby Pipe a/k/a RMCP, Inc. n/k/a Cor-Tek); Cantex Inc.; Charlotte Pipe and Foundry Co.; Cresline Plastic Pipe Co.; Diamond Plastics Corporation; Prime Conduit, Inc.; Sanderson Pipe Corporation; Southern Pipe, Inc.; IPEX USA, LLC; J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc. d/b/a JM Eagle; National Pipe & Plastics, Inc.; Pipelife Jet Stream, Inc.; Otter Tail Corporation; Northern Pipe Products, Inc.; Vinyltech Corporation; and Westlake. OPIS was also a Defendant. As set forth above, DPPs have settled with OPIS.

4. Why is this a class action?

In a class action, one or more individuals or entities called class representative sue on behalf of others who have similar claims, all of whom together are a "class." Individual class members do not have to file a lawsuit to participate in the class action settlement. One court resolves the settlement-related issues for all class members, *except* for those who exclude themselves from the settlement.

5. Why are there proposed Settlements with the Settling Defendants?

The Court did not decide in favor of DPPs or the Settling Defendants. Instead, both sides agreed to the proposed Settlements to avoid the cost and risk of continued litigation and a trial. The proposed Settlements do not mean that any law was broken or that the Settling Defendants did anything wrong. DPPs and their counsel believe the proposed Settlements are the best result for all DPP Settlement Class Members. The lawsuit is continuing against the remaining non-settling Converter Defendants.

The DPP Settlement Class

6. Am I part of the DPP Settlement Class?

You are a DPP Settlement Class Member if you or your company purchased PVC Pipe and/or Fittings in the United States and its territories **directly** from one or more of the Converter Defendants (or from any of the Converter Defendants' parents, predecessors, subsidiaries, or affiliates) at any time from January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2026.

Converter Defendants, and their parents, predecessors, subsidiaries, and affiliates, and all federal government entities and instrumentalities of the federal government are excluded from the DPP Settlement Class.

7. I bought PVC Pipe and/or Fittings during the timeframe. Am I a DPP Settlement Class Member?

Not necessarily. You are only a DPP Settlement Class Member if you bought PVC Pipe and/or Fittings during the time period **directly** from one of the Converter Defendants.

8. I'm still not sure if I am included.

If you are still not sure if you are a DPP Settlement Class Member, please review the detailed case information at www.PVCPipeDirectClass.com. You may also call the Settlement Administrator at 1-855-779-9069.

The Benefits of the Proposed Settlements

9. What do the proposed Settlements provide?

Under the proposed Settlements, Atkore has paid seventy-two million five hundred thousand dollars ($72,500,000); Westlake has paid sixty-seven million dollars ($67,000,000); and Northern Pipe and Vinyltech have agreed to pay a total of thirty-nine million five hundred thousand dollars ($39,500,000). In addition, OPIS previously paid three million dollars ($3,000,000), bringing the total collective cash amount to **$182 Million** (the "Settlement Fund"). These payments are made in exchange for a release of any and all claims against the Settling Defendants and the Settling Defendants' Released Parties relating in any way to the allegations in the Action, as set out in the Settlement Agreements. If the Court approves the proposed Settlements, proceeds from the Settlement Fund will be distributed to eligible DPP Settlement Class Members. Payments will be sent after deducting notice and administration costs (up to $250,000 for each Settlement) and attorneys' fees (up to one-third of the Settlement Fund including on any accrued interest) as well as expenses and service awards to DPPs, if awarded by the Court, from the Settlement Fund. You will receive notice of any future application for attorneys' fees, reimbursement of expenses or service awards and will have an opportunity to review the application and to

object to it. Further detail on Interim Lead Counsel's forthcoming requests for fees, expenses and service awards is in paragraph 15 herein.

Settling Defendants will also provide substantial cooperation to DPPs in the continuing lawsuit against the non-settling Converter Defendants. Details about the cooperation are in the Settlement Agreements available at www.PVCPipeDirectClass.com.

10. When will I get my payment?

Payments from the Settlement Fund will **not** be sent to DPP Settlement Class Members at this time. But if you are a DPP Settlement Class Member and you don't exclude yourself, you will be eligible to receive a payment at a later date after the Court gives final approval to the proposed Settlements. This could take time; please be patient. If you exclude yourself from one or more of the proposed Settlements, you will **not** be eligible to get a payment from the proposed Settlements from which you exclude yourself.

11. What am I giving up by staying in the proposed Settlements?

Unless you exclude yourself from any of the proposed Settlements, you cannot sue, continue to sue, or be part of any other lawsuit against the Settling Defendants or the Settling Defendants' Released Parties for any claims relating in any way to the legal or factual issues in the Action and your direct purchases from one or more Converter Defendants. All the Court's orders will apply to you and legally bind you. As set forth in the Settlement Agreements which are available on the settlement website, the release includes, but is not limited to, claims you had, have, or may have arising under any federal or state antitrust, unfair competition, unfair practices, consumer protection, unjust enrichment, price discrimination, unitary pricing, or trade practice law, whether known or unknown.

The Settlement Agreements provide that Atkore will pay seventy-two million five hundred thousand dollars ($72,500,000); Westlake sixty-seven million dollars ($67,000,000); and Northern Pipe and Vinyltech collectively thirty-nine million five hundred thousand dollars ($39,500,000) and that the Settling Defendants will cooperate in the continuing lawsuit against the non-settling Converter Defendants in exchange for a release of claims by DPP Settlement Class Members against the Settling Defendants, together with any and all of their past, present, and future, direct and indirect, corporate parents (including holding companies), owners, equity holders, shareholders, subsidiaries, divisions, departments, and related entities and other representatives and individuals, as set forth in the Settlement Agreements which are accessible on the settlement website (the "Settling Defendants' Released Parties"). The Settlement Agreements, however, do **not** release claims arising in the ordinary course of business under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code pertaining to sales other than claims based in whole or in part on any of the Released Claims, or for negligence, breach of contract, bailment, failure to deliver, lost goods, damaged or delayed goods, breach of warranty, or product liability claims, other than claims based in whole or in part on any of the Released Claims. In addition, the Settlement Agreements do not release claims based solely for the purchase of PVC Pipe and/or Fittings made ***indirectly*** from one or more of the Converter Defendants or any claims against the remaining non-settling Converter Defendants.

Broadly speaking, the Settlement Agreements completely release, acquit, and forever discharge the Settling Defendants and the Settling Defendants' Released Parties from any claims arising from purchases made directly from Converter Defendants at any time prior to the date the relevant Settlement Agreement was signed (i.e., March 26, 2026 for Westlake, April 28, 2026 for Atkore, and May 28, 2026 for Otter Tail, Northern Pipe and Vinyltech) that are related in any way to the claims alleged in *In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation.* The Settlement Agreements are available at www.PVCPipeDirectClass.com. They fully describe the legal claims that you give up if you do nothing and stay in the DPP Settlement Class.

Excluding Yourself from the Proposed Settlements

If you want to keep the right to sue any of the Settling Defendants or the Settling Defendants' Released Parties on your own for the claims being released in the proposed Settlements, then you **must** take steps to exclude yourself from, or "opt out" of, that Settling Defendant's proposed Settlement. If you opt out and the Court approves the proposed Settlement, you will **not** get a payment from that proposed Settlement.

12. How do I get out of the proposed Settlements?

To exclude yourself from or "opt out" of any of the proposed Settlements and retain your right to sue or continue to sue that Settling Defendant or its Released Parties, you must mail a letter with the following information:

- A statement indicating which of the proposed Settlements you want to be excluded from (i.e., Atkore; Westlake; and/or Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech), as well as the name of the Action (*In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 1:24-cv-07639); and

- The name (including any formerly known names, doing business as names, etc.), address, telephone number, and signature of the person or entity seeking exclusion.

Additionally, any DPP Settlement Class Member, or Affiliate (as or to the extent defined in the Settlement Agreements) or assign thereof, who requests to be excluded from the proposed Settlements with respect to an assigned claim must identify the assignor, the assignee, and the total value of direct purchases during the Settlement Class Period from each Converter Defendant that is subject to the assignment, and provide a copy of the assignment agreement.

Exclusion requests can only be made by an individual or individual entity on behalf of themselves (and subsidiaries) and personally signed by each individual person or entity requesting exclusion.

Your exclusion letter must be postmarked by **August 25, 2026,** and mailed to:

PVC Pipe Direct Purchaser Settlement – EXCLUSIONS
c/o JND Legal Administration
PO Box 91211
Seattle, WA 98111

If you ask to be excluded from any of the proposed Settlements, you will not get a payment from that proposed Settlement, and you cannot object to that proposed Settlement.

If you do not request to be excluded from the proposed Settlements and the proposed Settlements are approved by the Court, you may be entitled to a payment from the Settlement Fund. If you have a pending lawsuit against any of the Settling Defendants or the Settling Defendants' Released Parties involving the same allegations or claims involved in this case, speak to your lawyer in that case immediately. You must exclude yourself from the Settling Defendant's proposed Settlement in order to pursue your own lawsuit against that Settling Defendant or the Settling Defendant's Released Parties involving such claims.

13. If I exclude myself, can I get money from the proposed Settlements?

No. If you exclude yourself from, or "opt out" of any of the proposed Settlements, you will **not** be able to get money from that proposed Settlement.

The Lawyers Representing You

14. Do I have a lawyer in this case?

Yes. The Court has appointed the law firm of Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer, LLP ("Interim Lead Counsel") to represent the DPP Settlement Class on an interim basis and for purposes of the proposed Settlements. If you want your own lawyer to represent you and appear in Court for you concerning the proposed Settlements, you may hire one at your own expense. If you wish to exclude yourself from any of the proposed Settlements and pursue your own lawsuit against a Settling Defendant or a Settling Defendant's Released Party, you may need to hire your own lawyer.

15. How will the lawyers be paid?

You are not personally responsible for any payment of attorneys' fees or for reimbursement of expenses incurred or paid by Interim Lead Counsel. At a later date, Interim Lead Counsel will ask the Court to approve a payment or payments from the Settlement Fund for fees of up to one-third of the Settlement Fund (including on any accrued interest). Interim Lead Counsel will also seek reimbursement of costs and expenses and service awards for the named DPPs. You will be provided notice of the foregoing application(s) and given an opportunity to review the application(s) and object to them, if you wish.

Objecting to the Proposed Settlements

16. How do I tell the Court that I don't like the proposed Settlements?

If you stay in the DPP Settlement Class, you can object to the proposed Settlements if you do not like any part of them. The Court will consider your views, but the proposed Settlements may still be approved in spite of your objection.

To object, you must mail a letter that includes the following:

- A statement indicating to which of the proposed Settlements you have an objection (i.e., Atkore; Westlake; and/or Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech), as well as the name of the Action *In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 1:24-cv-07639;
- The name (including any formerly known names, doing business as names, etc.), address, telephone number, and signature of the person filing the objection (or their counsel's signature);
- The reasons you object, and any legal authority;
- The names of the attorneys that represent you, if any;
- Proof of your membership in the DPP Settlement Class, such as an invoice showing that you purchased PVC Pipe and/or Fittings directly from one or more Converter Defendants between January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2026, or otherwise satisfy the definition in answer to Question 6; and

- A statement of whether you or your counsel intend to appear at the Fairness Hearing, and the identity of any witness that you will call to testify in support of your objection.

You must mail your objection postmarked by **August 25, 2026,** to the Court, Interim Lead Counsel, and the Settling Defendants' Counsel for which proposed Settlements your objection applies:

The Court:
Clerk of Court
United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
Everett McKinley Dirksen United States Courthouse
219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, IL 60604

Westlake Counsel:
William R. H. Merrill
James T. Southwick
Elizabeth B. Hadaway
SUSMAN GODFREY LLP
1000 Louisiana Street
Suite 5100
Houston, TX 77002-5096

Interim Lead Counsel:
Robert N. Kaplan
Matthew P. McCahill
KAPLAN FOX & KILSHEIMER LLP
800 Third Avenue
38th Floor
New York, NY 10022

Atkore Counsel:
Britt M. Miller
Matthew D. Provance
MAYER BROWN LLP
71 South Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60606

Otter Tail, Northern Pipe, and Vinyltech Counsel:
Eliot A. Adelson
MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP
425 Market Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Lisa P. Phelan
Megan E. Gerking
Robert Manoso
MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP
2100 L Street NW
Washington, DC 20037

17. What's the difference between objecting and excluding?

"Objecting" is simply telling the Court that you do not like something about the proposed Settlements. You can object only if you don't exclude yourself from the DPP Settlement Class. "Excluding" yourself means that you are removing yourself from the DPP Settlement Class and you will **not** get a payment from the Settlement Fund from which you exclude yourself. If you exclude yourself from or "opt out" of one or more the Settlements you have no right to object to the proposed Settlement because it no longer affects you.

The Court's Fairness Hearing

The Court will hold a fairness hearing to decide whether to approve the proposed Settlements. You may, but need not, attend the hearing. If you do attend the hearing, you may ask the Court's permission to speak (see Question 20), but you do not have to participate.

18. When and where will the Court decide whether to approve the proposed Settlements?

The Court will hold a Fairness Hearing at 9:00 a.m. Central Time on **October 1, 2026,** at the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Everett McKinley Dirksen United States Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60604, Courtroom #1425. The hearing may be moved to a different date or time without additional notice, so check www.PVCPipeDirectClass.com before making travel plans. At the hearing, the Court will consider whether the proposed Settlements are fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court will listen to DPP Settlement Class Members who have asked to speak at the hearing. If there are objections or comments,

the Court will consider them at that time. After the hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the proposed Settlements. We do not know how long the Court will take to decide.

19. Do I have to come to the hearing?

No. Interim Lead Counsel will answer any questions the Court may have. However, you are welcome to come at your own expense. If you send an objection to any of the proposed Settlements, you do not have to come to the Fairness Hearing to explain it. As long as you mail your written objection on time, the Court will consider it. You may also pay your own lawyer to attend and speak (or not) at the hearing on your behalf, but it is not required.

20. May I speak at the hearing?

Yes. If you did not exclude yourself from the DPP Settlement Class, you may ask the Court for permission for you or your own attorney to speak at the Fairness Hearing, at your own expense. To do so, you must send a letter stating the following:

- "Notice of Intention to Appear *In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation*, Case No. 1:24-cv-07639;"
- The position you will take at the hearing and the reasons for your position;
- Your name, address, telephone number, your signature; and
- Proof of your membership in the DPP Settlement Class, such as invoices showing that you directly purchased PVC Pipe and/or Fittings from one or more Converter Defendants between January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2026, or proof that otherwise satisfies the definition in Question 6.

Your Notice of Intention to Appear **must** be postmarked by **August 25, 2026,** and mailed to the Court, Interim Lead Counsel, and the Settling Defendants' Counsel for which proposed Settlements your Notice of Intention to Appear applies:

The Court:
Clerk of Court
United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
Everett McKinley Dirksen United States Courthouse
219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, IL 60604

Westlake Counsel:
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James T. Southwick
Elizabeth B. Hadaway
SUSMAN GODFREY LLP
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Suite 5100
Houston, TX 77002-5096

Interim Lead Counsel:
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800 Third Avenue
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New York, NY 10022

Atkore Counsel:
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Matthew D. Provance
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71 South Wacker Drive
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425 Market Street
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Megan E. Gerking
Robert Manoso
MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP
2100 L Street NW
Washington, DC 20037

If You Do Nothing

21. What happens if I do nothing at all?

If you do nothing, you will remain a DPP Settlement Class Member and be eligible to get a payment from the proposed Settlements (if approved by the Court), as well as payments from future settlements or recoveries in the continuing lawsuit against other Converter Defendants. If the Court approves the Settlements, you will release any and all claims against Settling Defendants and Settling Defendants' Released Parties that in any way relate to the allegations in the Action, including but not limited to claims arising under any federal or state antitrust, unfair competition, unfair practices, consumer protection, unjust enrichment, price discrimination, unitary pricing, or trade practice law, whether such claims are known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, suspected or unsuspected, or asserted or unasserted, from the beginning of the world up to the date the Settlement Agreement was signed (i.e., March 26, 2026 for Westlake, April 28, 2026 for Atkore, and May 28, 2026 for Otter Tail, Northern Pipe and Vinyltech).

Getting More Information

22. How do I get more information?

This Notice summarizes the proposed Settlements. For more detailed information, visit www.PVCPipeDirectClass.com or call 1-855-779-9069.

DATED: June 26, 2026 The Honorable LaShonda A. Hunt

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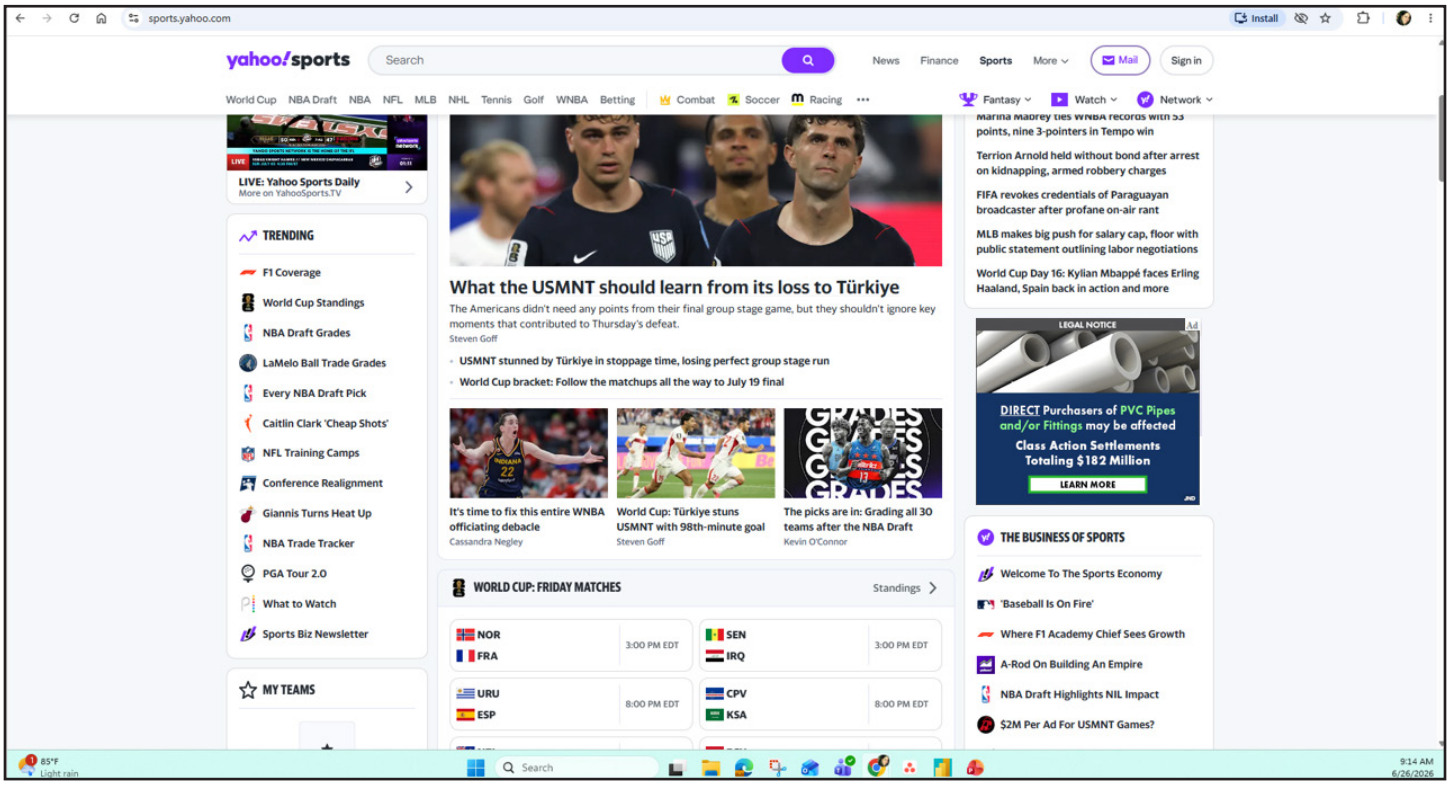

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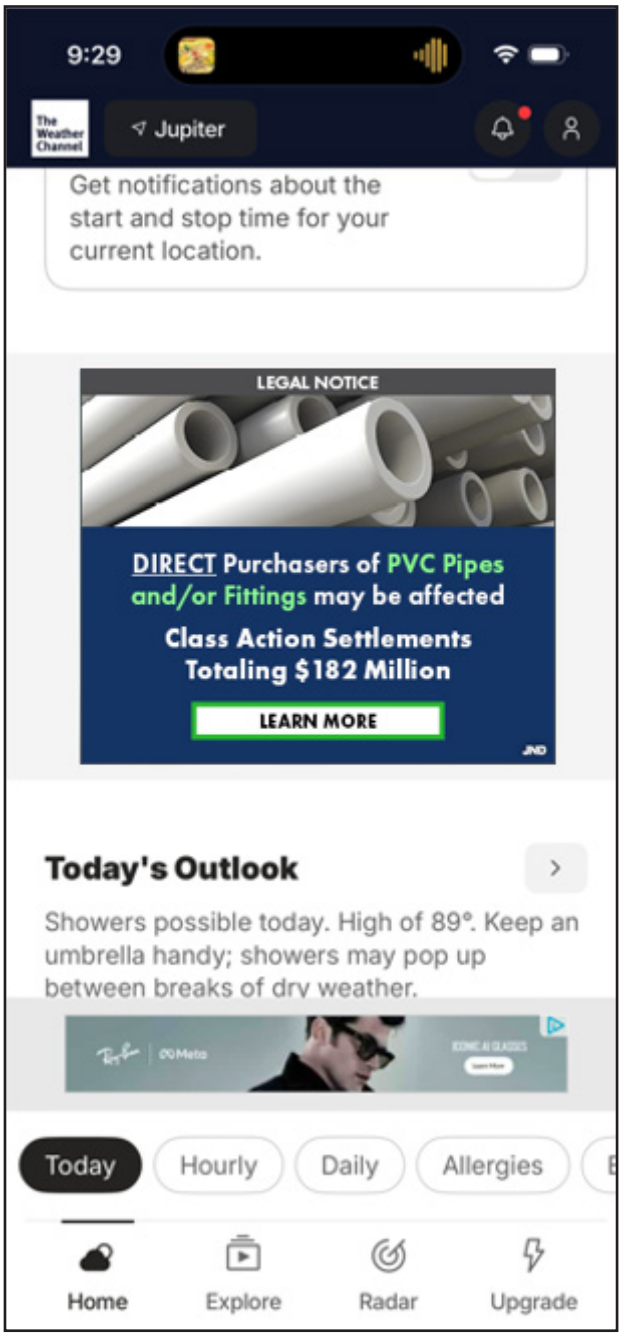

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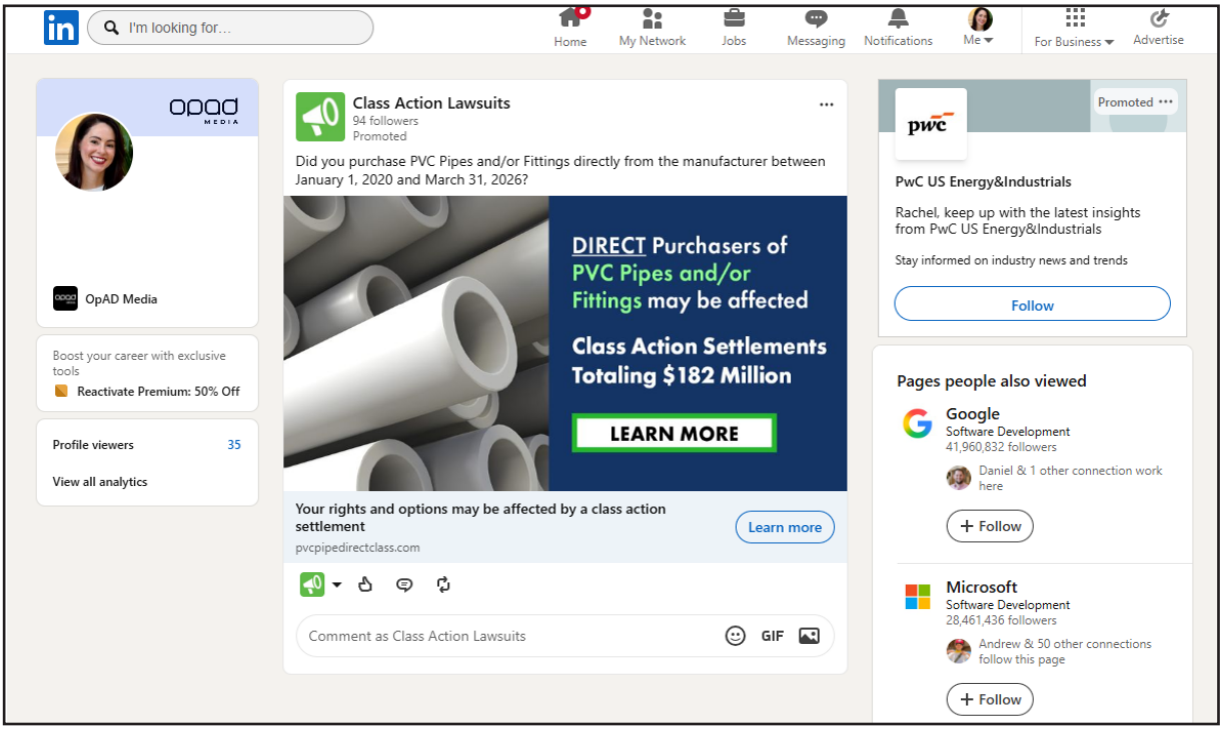

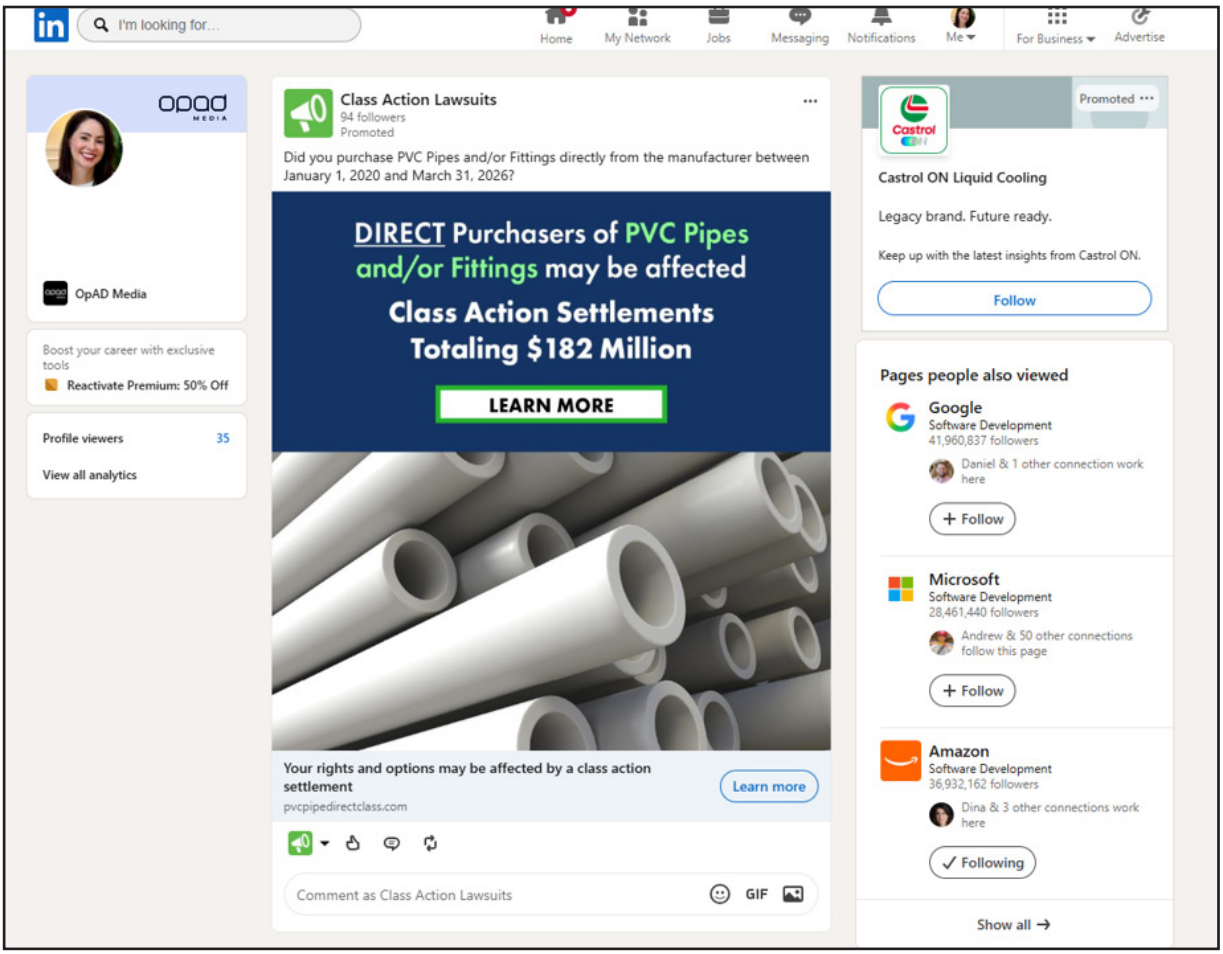

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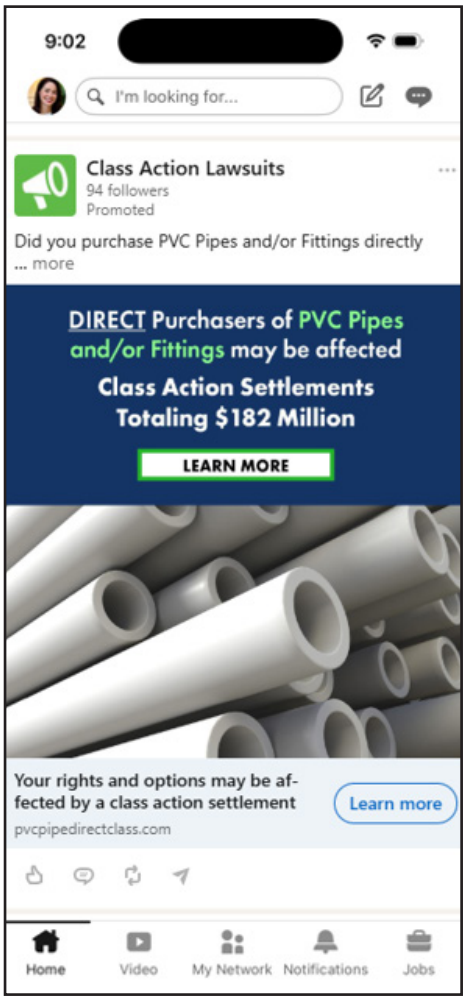

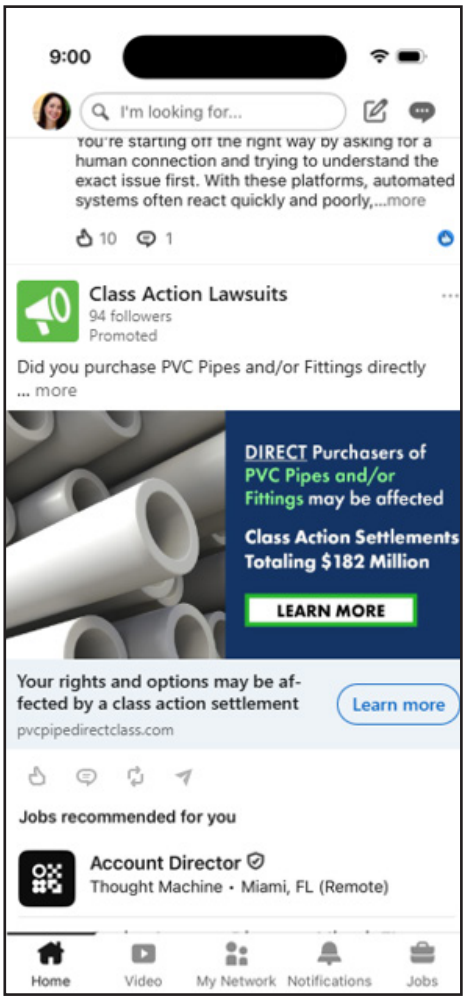

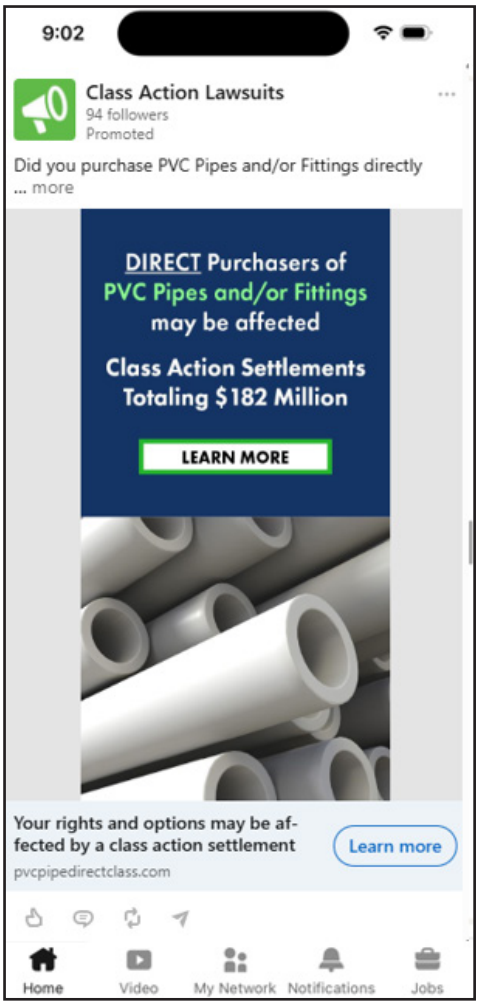

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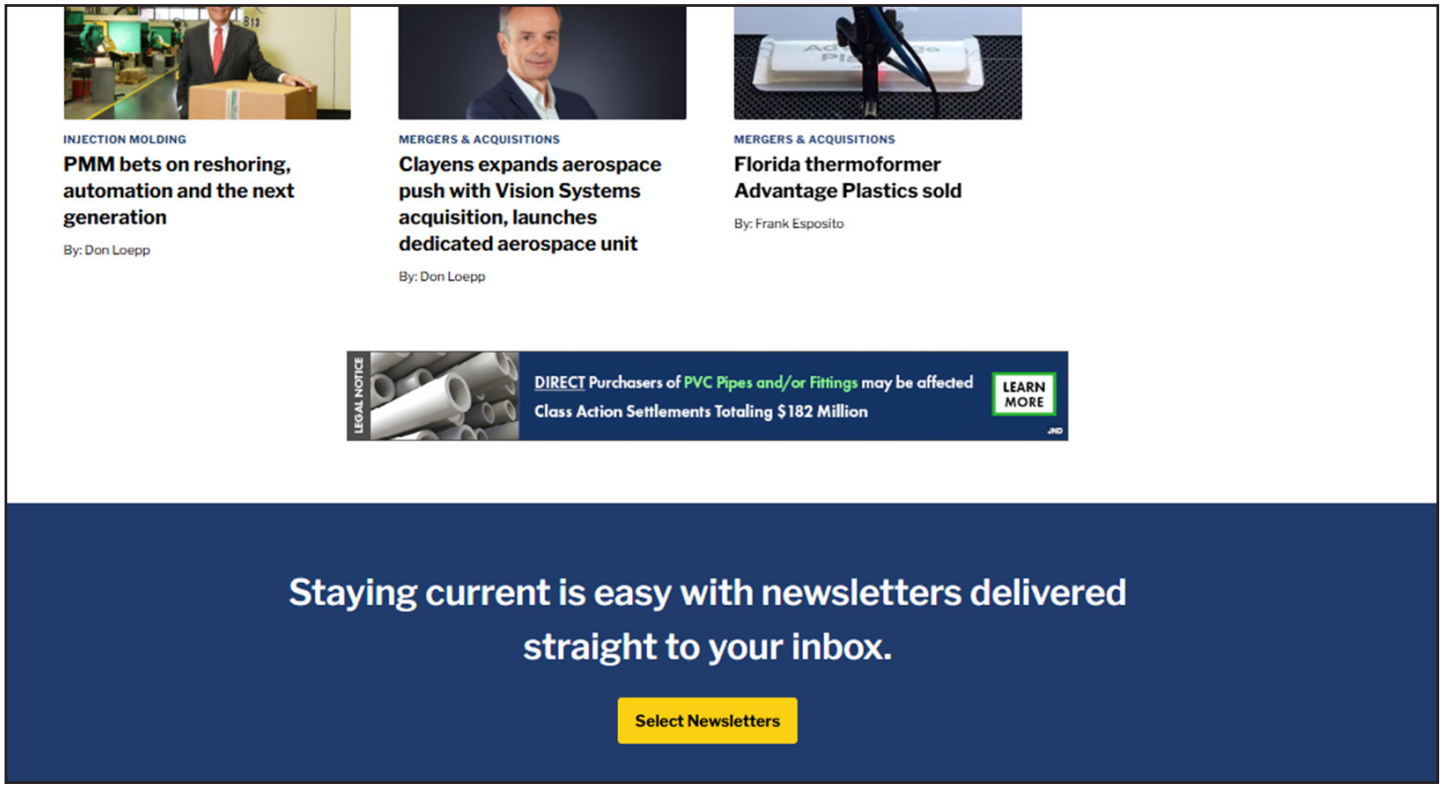

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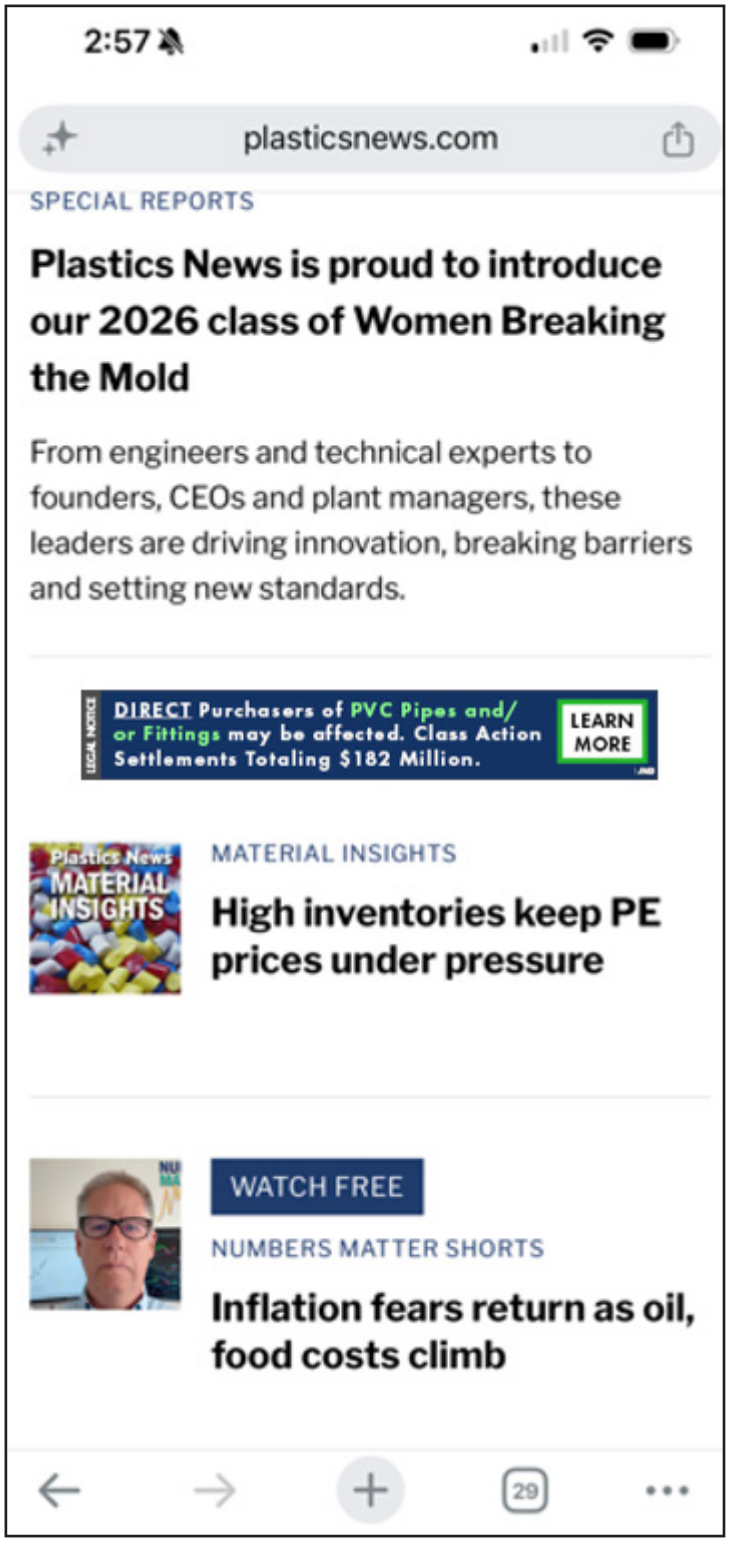

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Friday, June 26, 2026

Penguins and a Viking

The NHL's Pittsburgh Penguins have had a close connection with the plastics industry, working with materials supplier Covestro and students from Carnegie Mellon University to explore ways to use plastics to enhance safety on the ice rink.

The team now has an even closer connection to the industry as the owners of Corry, Pa.-based injection molder Viking Plastics, the Hoffmann Family of Companies, buys the five-time Stanley Cup champions.

Viking — with an estimated $42 million in annual sales and customers in multiple end markets such as automotive, appliance and specialty packaging — is just one small part of Hoffmann's portfolio. It operates 52 platform businesses ranging from manufacturing and aviation to newspapers and the ferries that serve the Michigan tourist destination of Mackinac Island.

The Penguins aren't Hoffmann's first investment in professional hockey. It also owns the minor league Florida Everblades.

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American-made toothbrushes

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Tuesday, June 30, 2026

Serving up sustainability at Wimbledon

Wimbledon is a showcase for more than tennis.

While the competition at Centre Court features the world's top players, the facility itself aims to highlight the potential for sustainable athletics operations. It has already cut back on traditional plastics in favor of bio-based, compostable or recyclable materials. It encourages fans to bring their own refillable water bottles and top them up at free filling stations throughout the site.

Damaged tennis balls are recycled into acoustic panels for Wimbledon's Cavendish Restaurant.

This year, one recycling highlight at the facility took place before the headline tournament began.

The Wimbledon Qualifying Competition takes place a week before the main event to determine who will fill the final open spots. This year's competition also served as a trial of a deposit return scheme — or bottle bill as we call it in the U.S. — that begins in the United Kingdom in October of 2027 under the name Exchange for Change.

> Danone's Evian-brand bottled water worked with RVM Systems UK and Wimbledon to install reverse vending machines on the club's grounds for a "first time in a live event setting" to gives spectators first-hand experience on how the U.K. program will work. Organizers could also work out bugs in the collection system.
>
> "This collaboration is about more than trialing new technology," Danone said on social media. "It's about reducing litter, improving recycling rates and gathering real-world insights that will help shape the consumer experience ahead of next year's national rollout."

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Playmobil production exits Germany

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Wednesday, July 1, 2026

A shift from the auto industry to military drones

There's a new — and growing — alternative end market for automakers and their suppliers: unmanned military drones.

Supplying the defense industry isn't new, of course. During World War II, automakers turned auto assembly lines into the "arsenal of democracy." Car making giants such as General Motors Co. have subsidiaries dedicated to producing vehicles and systems for the military. French automaker Renault recently signed a contract to supply the French military with 600 drones.

Small and inexpensive drones, similar to those that have proved to be key to Ukraine's defenses since Russia invaded it in 2022, are increasingly important beyond that ongoing conflict.

Ukrainian Defense Drones announced June 29 that it is opening production in Holland, Ohio, under a contract with the U.S Department of Defense to supply U.S.-made drones. The UDD company is expected to be a multimillion-dollar investment and create at least 300 jobs, Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine announced.

While neither the state nor UDD laid out specifics for what it will need, Ohio economic development executives said the project "creates opportunities for regional suppliers in machining, fabrication, electronics, plastics, packaging, logistics, testing, training and workforce development."

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A sweet business for Tritan

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Monday, July 6, 2026

What comes next for USMCA

With President Donald Trump and his administration showing no interest in extending the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, businesses in those countries are bracing for what comes next.

The countries had faced a July 1 deadline for a formal check-in six years after the USMCA came into effect. From there, the countries could have opted to extend it for another 16 years or moved toward annual negotiations. The U.S. opted for the latter.

But don't expect a sudden change in international trade now that we've passed that date. After all, the USMCA still is in force. As it is, the USMCA framework will remain in place for a decade. But there will be a new sense of uncertainty regarding trade rules.

"After a couple of months, the economies will have to come to reality: Years of discussions over maintaining the agreement could be ineffective, distracting and economically harmful," wrote Madeline Chalecki for The Atlantic Council, a nonpartisan think tank.

Trade groups representing the auto industry in the three countries have called for a continuation of the USMCA. So have the chemistry industry councils for the U.S., Canada and Mexico. In a July 1 statement, Plastics Industry Association President and CEO Matt Seaholm noted the agreement's ability to provide certainty needed for investments, saying the trade group supports continued engagement.

"Supply chains are built with 30-year visibility, not five, and uncertainty could dissuade investment and growth," added Chalecki. "… A destabilized USMCA would ripple through the entire economy and weigh on growth and employment in every sector."

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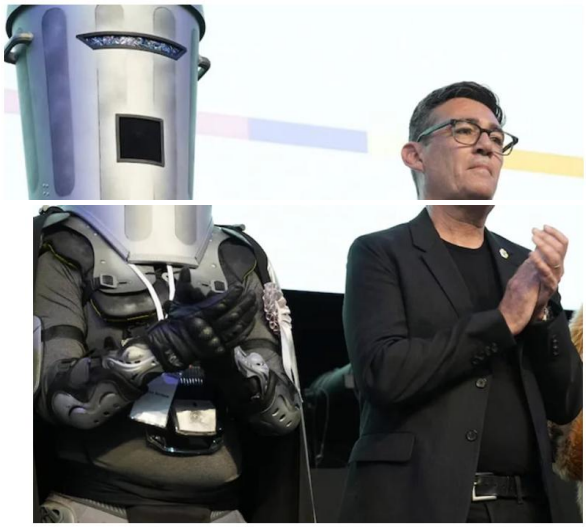
Count Binface, beer tossing and other quirky traditions



Every country has traditions that don't make sense to outsiders. The United Kingdom — England specifically for these items — happens to have two examples right now that involve plastics at some level.

One comes from the World Cup where England faces Norway in a quarter-final game on July 11. Norway has become known for the Viking Row, in which fans enthusiastically mime the rowing action that would have been seen on a Viking boat.

Reform U.K., is likely to face Count Binface, U.K. comedian Jon Harvey wearing a plastic helmet that resembles a garbage bin, in an upcoming election.

The reason for the election and the slate of candidates is long and complicated (you can access more details via *The Guardian* here) but leads to a point where a satirical candidate is under an increasingly bright spotlight.

Count Binface's platform, for what it's worth, includes affordable housing (though he's committed to just one affordable house at this point) to rejoining the European Union and linking politicians pay to nurses' salaries — no pay increase unless nurses receive one. He also previously called for renaming London Bridge to Phoebe Waller-Bridge, in honor of the actor and writer.

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Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Optimism in the auto industry

Global, formerly S&P Global Mobility, told *Auto News,* a sister publication of *Plastics News.*

But that optimism seems to be based on relative expectations. The industry had projected sales to drop even more in the second quarter than they did. There was even a resurgence in sales in June, with gas-electric hybrid cars showing real strength, indicating that conditions may be stronger than expected, Schuster said.

Industry confidence among suppliers of parts and materials hit 64.8 on a scale of 100, or up 3.4 points vs. the previous quarter. But only 23 percent of supplier respondents called their input costs — for items such as raw materials and shipping — either in the "excellent" or "good" categories.

Labor costs and availability also remain difficult, with only 7 percent of suppliers considering those conditions to be "good."

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Rising post-consumer recycling numbers

In 2016, only 69.3 percent of post-consumer plastics were recovered for recycling in the U.S. In 2024, U.S. recyclers handled 93.8 percent of materials.

Access the dashboard here.

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Greenpeace and a World Cup spotlight

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Monday, July 20, 2026

Preparing for a boom in wearable medical technology

Companies like Indianapolis-based Marian Inc. are among those gearing up for the expected growth. It recently completed a 60,000-square-foot expansion of its medical converting facility in Monticello, Ind., that will increase manufacturing for precision die-cut components used in the devices.

That expansion follows another in 2025 at Marian's Chicago facility to meet growth in medical devices.

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Huntsman, Olin merger moving forward

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Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Tariffs for Canadian pools, plastic handles, floor tiles and furniture

The list also covers plastic handles and knobs, bags used in resin shipments, cups and plates, and "statuettes and other ornamental articles [made] of plastics."

A White House statement on the automotive tariffs includes an annex listing all the product types covered in the levies. Like those related to plastic, many of them have nothing to do with cars. It includes tortoiseshells, food coloring and flavoring, horsehair products, sugar beet seeds, tulip bulbs, paints and varnishes, gelatin sheets, dog leashes, plywood, paper, and antiques that are between 100 and 250 years old.

The tariffs are scheduled to go into effect Aug. 19.

Tropical Storm Bertha visiting the Gulf Coast

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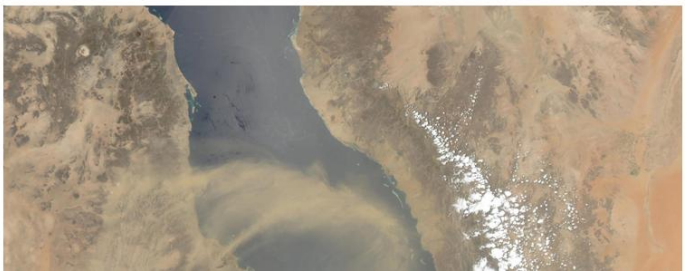
Friday, July 24, 2026

A new shipping snarl in the Middle East



A day after two ships in the Bab el-Mendeb Strait were damaged on July 22, oil prices climbed above $100 a barrel for the first time since May.

Cyberattack shuts down Fairlife production

EXHIBIT C

JND CLASS ACTION ADMINISTRATION

In re PVC Pipe Antitrust Litigation

Case No. 1:24-cv-07639 (N.D. Ill)

Direct Purchaser Settlement Exclusion Requests

#	Class Member	Status	Settlement
1	Aquatic Co.	Valid	Westlake
2	GPK Products, Inc.	Valid	Otter Tail
3	Home Depot USA, Inc.	Valid	Westlake & Otter Tail
4	Home Depot Product Authority, LLC	Valid	Westlake & Otter Tail