Appendix A

Section VII from the Settlement Agreement - Release and Waiver

- A. The Parties agree to the following release and waiver, which shall take effect upon entry of the Final Order and Final Judgment.
- B. In consideration for the relief provided above, the Recycler Plaintiffs and each Class Member, on behalf of themselves and any other legal or natural persons who may claim by, through or under them, agree to fully, finally and forever release, relinquish, acquit, discharge and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all claims, demands, suits, petitions, liabilities, causes of action, rights, losses, damages, and relief of any kind and/or type regarding the subject matter of the Actions and/or the subject Inflators, including, but not limited to, any and all compensatory damages, exemplary damages, punitive damages, statutory damages or penalties, expert and/or attorneys' fees and expenses, and equitable relief or remedies, whether past, present, or future, legal or equitable in nature, mature or not yet mature, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, derivative or direct, asserted or un-asserted, whether based on federal, state or local law, statute, ordinance, regulation, code, contract, common law, violations of or liability under any federal or state's deceptive, unlawful, or unfair business or trade practices, false, misleading or fraudulent advertising, consumer fraud or consumer protection statutes, any breaches of express, implied or any other warranties, RICO, the Lanham Act, the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, and/or any other statutes, violations of or liability under any states' Lemon Laws or warranty statutes, fraud, misrepresentation, products liability, negligence, contract, quasicontract, covenants (express or implied), unjust enrichment, and under any other common law, statutory, and/or equitable relief theories, or from any other source, and any claim or potential claim of any kind related arising from, related to, connected with, and/or in any way involving the Actions, the Subject Vehicles' airbags containing desiccated or non-desiccated driver's or front passenger Takata inflators, any and all claims involving the Takata Airbag Inflator Recalls that are, or could have been, defined, alleged or described in the Actions or any amendments of the Actions.
- C. Notwithstanding the definition of Excluded Parties, the foregoing release set forth in Section VII.B above shall extend to the Released Parties and Ford Motor Company and all related corporate entities with respect to the Mazda B-Series truck, and AutoAlliance International, Inc. and all related corporate entities with respect to the Mazda6 and any other Mazda-brand vehicles. Any claims against Ford Motor Company and AutoAlliance International, Inc., and all related corporate entities, with respect to any other vehicles are not released by virtue of this release.
- D. If a Class Member who does not timely and properly opt out commences, files, initiates, or institutes any new legal action or other proceeding against a Released Party for any claim released in this Settlement in any federal or state court, arbitral tribunal, or administrative or other forum, such legal action or proceeding shall be dismissed with prejudice at that Class Member's cost.
- E. Notwithstanding the Release set forth in this Section VII of this Agreement, Plaintiffs and Class Members are not releasing and are expressly reserving all rights relating to claims for personal injury, wrongful death or actual physical property damage arising from an incident involving a Subject Vehicle (other than damage to the Subject Vehicle itself), including the deployment or non-deployment of a driver or passenger front airbag with a Takata PSAN inflator.
- F. Notwithstanding the Release set forth in Section VII of this Agreement, Plaintiffs and Class Members are not releasing and are expressly reserving all rights relating to claims against Excluded Parties, with the exception of the claims covered by Section VII.C of this Agreement.
- G. The Final Order and Final Judgment will reflect these terms.
- H. The Recycler Plaintiffs and Class Members shall not now or hereafter institute, maintain, prosecute, assert, instigate, and/or cooperate in the institution, commencement, filing, or prosecution of any suit, action, claim and/or proceeding, whether legal, administrative or otherwise against the Released Parties, either directly

or indirectly, on their own behalf, on behalf of a class or on behalf of any other person or entity with respect to the claims, causes of action and/or any other matters released through this Settlement.

- I. In connection with this Agreement, the Recycler Plaintiffs and Class Members acknowledge that they may hereafter discover claims presently unknown or unsuspected, or facts in addition to or different from those that they now know or believe to be true concerning the subject matter of the Actions and/or the Release herein. Nevertheless, it is the intention of Settlement Class Counsel and Class Members in executing this Agreement fully, finally and forever to settle, release, discharge, acquit and hold harmless all such matters, and all existing and potential claims against the Released Parties relating thereto which exist, hereafter may exist, or might have existed (whether or not previously or currently asserted in any action or proceeding) with respect to the Actions, their underlying subject matter, and the Subject Vehicles, except as otherwise stated in this Agreement.
- J. The Recycler Plaintiffs expressly understand and acknowledge, and all Plaintiffs and Class Members will be deemed by the Final Order and Final Judgment to acknowledge and waive Section 1542 of the Civil Code of the State of California, which provides that:

A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

The Recycler Plaintiffs and Class Members expressly waive and relinquish any and all rights and benefits that they may have under, or that may be conferred upon them by, the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, or any other law of any state or territory that is similar, comparable or equivalent to Section 1542, to the fullest extent they may lawfully waive such rights.

- K. The Recycler Plaintiffs represent and warrant that they are the sole and exclusive owners of all claims that they personally are releasing under this Agreement. The Recycler Plaintiffs further acknowledge that they have not assigned, pledged, or in any manner whatsoever sold, transferred, assigned or encumbered any right, title, interest or claim arising out of or in any way whatsoever pertaining to the Actions, including without limitation, any claim for benefits, proceeds or value under the Actions, and that the Recycler Plaintiffs are not aware of anyone other than themselves claiming any interest, in whole or in part, in the Actions or in any benefits, proceeds or values under the Actions. Class Members submitting Claims to the Enhanced Inflator Recovery Program shall represent and warrant therein that they are the sole and exclusive owners of all claims that they personally are releasing under the Settlement and that they have not assigned, pledged, or in any manner whatsoever, sold, transferred, assigned or encumbered any right, title, interest or claim arising out of or in any way whatsoever pertaining to the Actions, including without limitation, any claim for benefits, proceeds or value under the Actions, and that such Class Member(s) are not aware of anyone other than themselves claiming any interest, in whole or in part, in the Actions or in any benefits, proceeds or values under the Actions.
- L. Without in any way limiting its scope, and, except to the extent otherwise specified in the Agreement, this Release covers by example and without limitation, any and all claims for attorneys' fees, costs, expert fees, or consultant fees, interest, or litigation fees, costs or any other fees, costs, and/or disbursements of any kind and nature incurred by any attorneys, Settlement Class Counsel, or the Recycler Plaintiffs.
- M. Settlement Class Counsel and any other attorneys who worked with or on behalf of Settlement Class Counsel on any of the Actions acknowledge that they have conducted sufficient independent investigation and discovery to enter into this Settlement Agreement and, by executing this Settlement Agreement, state that they have not relied upon any statements or representations made by the Released Parties or any person or entity representing the Released Parties, other than as set forth in this Settlement Agreement.
- N. Pending final approval of this Settlement via issuance by the Court of the Final Order and Final Judgment, the Parties agree that any and all outstanding obligations and deadlines relating to pleadings, discovery, and any other pretrial requirements are hereby stayed and suspended as to Mazda. Upon the

occurrence of final approval of this Settlement via issuance by the Court of the Final Order and Final Judgment, the Parties expressly waive any and all such pretrial requirements as to Mazda.

- O. Nothing in this Release shall preclude any action to enforce the terms of the Agreement, including participation in any of the processes detailed herein.
- P. The Recycler Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Counsel hereby agree and acknowledge that the provisions of this Release together constitute an essential and material term of the Agreement and shall be included in any Final Order and Final Judgment entered by the Court.