



INDIRECT PURCHASER OPTICAL DISK DRIVE SETTLEMENT SUMMARY

**SETTLEMENT
AMOUNT:**
\$124.5 Million+

**FINAL
APPROVAL
HEARING:**
DECEMBER 8, 2016

**CLAIM FILING
DEADLINE:**
July 17, 2017

**COVERED
CLAIMS PERIOD**
April 1, 2003 -
December 31, 2008

If you or your business indirectly purchased Optical Disk Drives (ODD) and/or Computers with Internal ODDs in the United States from April 1, 2003 through December 31, 2008, you may be entitled to participate in the \$124.5 Million settlement fund recovered thus far in defendant settlements.

Eligible Class Members: All persons or entities (excluding government entities) in the “Eligible Jurisdictions” (as defined below), from April 1, 2003 through December 31, 2008, indirectly purchased for own use and not for resale, a computer with an internal ODD (ODD refers to a DVD-RW, DVD-ROM or COMBO drive manufactured by one or more of the “Defendants” (described below); a stand-alone ODD designed for internal use in computers; or, an ODD designed to be attached externally to a computer. You are an indirect purchaser if you made these purchases from any entity other than a Defendant, such as a retail store.

Eligible Jurisdictions: AZ, CA, FL, HI, KS, ME, MA, MI, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NM, NY, NC, OR, TN, UT, VT, WV, WI, & DC

Defendants: Hitachi, Ltd. (“Hitachi”); Hitachi-LG Data Storage, Inc.; and Hitachi-LG Data Storage Korea, Inc. (collectively “HLDS”); LG Electronics, Inc.; and LG Electronics USA (“LG”) Panasonic Corporation and Panasonic Corporation of North America (collectively, “Panasonic”); NEC Corporation (“NEC”); Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.; Lite-On It Corp.; Philips & Lite-On Digital Solutions Corp.; and Philips & Lite-On Digital Solutions USA, Inc. (collectively, “PLDS”); Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.; Samsung Electronics America, Inc.; Toshiba Corp.; Toshiba America Information Systems, Inc. (TAIS); Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Corp.; and Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Korea Corp. (collectively, “TSST”); Sony Corporation; Sony Optiarc, Inc. (formerly Sony NEC Optiarc Inc.); and Sony Optiarc America, Inc. (formerly known as Sony NEC Optiarc America Inc.) (collectively, “Sony”); BenQ Corp. and BenQ America Corp. (collectively, “BenQ”); TEAC Corp. and TEAC America, Inc. (collectively, “TEAC”); Quanta Storage Inc. and Quanta Storage America, Inc. (collectively, “QSI”); Pioneer Corp.; Pioneer North America; Pioneer Electronics (USA) Inc.; Pioneer High Fidelity Taiwan Co., Ltd. (collectively, “Pioneer”).

Case History: Several class action lawsuits were filed accusing Defendants of conspiring and combining to fix, raise, maintain and stabilize the prices at which ODDs were sold in the United States. These complaints were consolidated in the Northern District of California and the indirect purchaser class has been certified by the Court. The class has reached settlements with HLDS (\$73 million), NEC (\$6.5 million), Panasonic (\$16.5 million) and Sony (\$28.5 million) in the aggregate amount of \$124.5 million; these settlements are currently pending Court approval. The litigation is ongoing against the non-settling Defendants so it is possible that additional funds may become available to the class if additional defendants settle.

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