KIA ENGINES 2 (CONNECTING ROD BEARINGS) CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT
NOTICE OF CERTIFICATION FOR SETTLEMENT PURPOSES AND SETTLEMENT APPROVAL HEARING

A Canada-wide class action Settlement has been reached involving the following Kia-brand vehicles (the "Settlement Class Vehicles"):

VEHICLE MODEL	MODEL YEARS	ENGINE TYPE
Kia Forte	2010-2011	Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2012-2015	Nu 2.0-litre GDI or Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2016-2018	Nu 2.0-litre GDI
Kia Forte Koup	2010-2018	Nu 2.0-litre GDI or Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
Kia Optima Hybrid and Plug-in Hybrid	2011-2013	Nu 2.0-litre GDI or Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2014-2016	Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2017-2020	Nu 2.0-litre GDI
Kia Rondo	2010-2012	Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2014-2015	Nu 2.0-litre GDI
Kia Sorento	2011	Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2012	Nu 2.0-litre GDI or Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
Kia Soul	2012-2016	Gamma II 1.6-litre GDI
	2014-2016	Nu 2.0-litre GDI
	2014-2015	Nu 2.0-litre GDI or Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2017-2019	Nu 2.0-litre GDI
Kia Sportage	2012	Nu 2.0-litre GDI or Theta II 2.4-litre MPI
	2011-2013	Theta II 2.4-litre MPI

IF YOU OWN(ED) OR LEASE(D) ONE OF THESE VEHICLES, THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT MAY AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS. READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY.

This Notice is to inform you of a proposed Settlement of class action lawsuits against Kia. The lawsuits allege that the Settlement Class Vehicles were manufactured, marketed, sold, and leased with an engine defect that can result in sudden engine seizure, engine failure, and/or engine fire. None of the allegations have been proven. The Parties have instead reached a voluntary Settlement.

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT BENEFITS: Under the proposed Settlement, Settlement Class Members (those who purchased or leased a Settlement Class Vehicle in Canada who are not excluded from the Settlement) may be eligible for the following Settlement benefits:

- extended warranty coverage for repairs resulting from damage to the short block assembly and/or long block assembly if caused by a connecting rod bearing failure, upon installation of the Knock Sensor Detection System;
- cash payment for qualifying past out-of-pocket repairs and repair-related expenses;
- dealer credit for inconvenience due to past repair-related delays;
- cash payment for incidentals related to certain engine failures or fires;
- cash payment for certain sales or trade-ins of unrepaired vehicles;
- cash payment for vehicles lost due to certain engine fires; and/or,
- in some instances, a cash rebate if you lost faith in the Settlement Class Vehicle after receiving this Notice and you traded it in for another Kia-brand vehicle.

SETTLEMENT APPROVAL HEARING: The proposed Settlement must be approved by the Court to become effective. The Settlement Approval Hearing will take place on **February 2, 2027,** via videoconference before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. When available, a Zoom link for virtual attendance at the Settlement Approval Hearing will be posted on www.kiacanada-E2settlement.ca. The legal fees to Class Counsel may also be approved at the Settlement Approval Hearing, but that amount will be paid separately and will not reduce the Settlement benefits. Check the Settlement website (www.kiacanada-E2settlement.ca) regularly after the Settlement Approval Hearing to see if the Settlement has been approved. You can also provide your email address to the Administrator or Class Counsel to be notified by email if the Settlement is approved.

YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS:

- If the Court approves the Settlement, you can **participate** by submitting a Claim for eligible Settlement benefits. If you wish to participate, you are not required to do anything until after the Settlement is approved.
- You can **object** to the proposed Settlement and/or Counsel Fees, and attend the Settlement Approval Hearing to present that objection. If you wish to object, you are asked to submit a signed written objection statement to the Administrator on or before **January 20, 2027**.
- You can **exclude** yourself from the Settlement (**opt out**), in which case you will not be eligible to receive any Settlement benefits. If you wish to exclude yourself from the proposed Settlement and preserve your legal rights against Kia, you must submit a signed and completed Opt-Out Form to the Administrator on or before **January 20, 2027**. A copy of the Opt-Out Form can be obtained from www.kiacanada-E2settlement.ca or by reaching out to the Administrator at the contact information below.

To obtain more information, visit www.kiacanada-E2settlement.ca, call 1-888-808-2443, or email support@kiacanada-E2settlement.ca.

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This Notice was approved by order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer. The Court offices will be unable to answer any questions about the matters in this Notice. Please do not contact them.

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