BEFORE THE UNITED STATE JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

IN RE:

Lipitor (Atorvastatin Calcium) Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability Litigation **MDL NO. 2459**

PLAINTIFF WALTINA GADSDEN'S RESPONSE TO THE MOTION OF PLAINTIFFS FOR TRANSFER OF ACTIONS TO THE DISTRICT COURT OF SOUTH CAROLINA PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 1407 FOR COORDINATED OR CONSOLIDATED PRETRIAL PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407 and the Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, Plaintiff, Waltina Gadsden, hereby responds to Movants' request to transfer all product liability actions involving Lipitor. Plaintiff agrees that transfer is useful, necessary, and supported by the numerous common questions of fact in the Related Actions. Further, Plaintiff agrees that transfer for pretrial purposes would serve "the convenience of the parties and witnesses" and "promote the just and efficient conduct of the actions" as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1407.

Undersigned counsel presently represents plaintiff, Waltina Gadsden, in a Lipitor product liability action, currently pending in the District of South Carolina. In addition to Ms. Gadsden's case, undersigned counsel's firm has received more than 2,000 inquiries from women from all over the United States who have developed type 2 diabetes following their ingestion of Lipitor. Of those inquiries, undersigned counsel can say with a reasonable degree of confidence that approximately 500 of those women will have strong claims against Pfizer and whose cases will be filed in federal courts across the United States (*See* Affidavit of Robert K. Jenner, attached as Exhibit 1).

Plaintiff agrees that coordinated and consolidated proceedings with the Smalls action in

the District of South Carolina would provide the best venue for this matter. There are 11 Lipitor

actions (Smalls, Kane, Turner, Clark, Knight, Williams, Papcun, Fernandez, Adams, Joyce

Jones, and Marguerite Jones) pending in the District of South Carolina. Further, the District of

South Carolina is a convenient forum, easily accessed from all over the country. Undersigned

counsel supports that location as the principal jurisdiction for consolidation and transfer.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407, that the

Panel enter an Order transferring the pending actions, as well as any related actions that might

later be filed, to the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina for

coordinated and consolidated pretrial proceedings.

Dated: July 15, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

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AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT K. JENNER

Comes now the affiant, Robert K. Jenner, and after being duly cautioned and sworn, states as follows:

- 1. I, Robert K. Jenner, am an attorney in Baltimore, Maryland and am licensed to practice in the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia.
- 2. As of July 11, 2013, my firm has received more than 2,300 inquires from women interested in pursuing claims against Pfizer, Inc. The overwhelming majority of these women have reported that they have developed diabetes while using Lipitor.
- I can say with a reasonable degree of confidence that, based on the information presently known to me, more than 500 of those inquiries will meet the criteria of my firm and these women will have viable cases to file against Pfizer, Inc. By necessity, these cases will be filed in federal courts across the United States.

Further Affiant saith naught.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, and is based on my personal knowledge.

Robert K. Jenner

COUNTY OF BALTIMORE

SS

STATE OF MARYLAND

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Maryland, this 11⁻¹⁴ day of July, 2013 by Robert K. Jenner.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: 1/19/16

MARCIE Z. ANTHONY

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BALTIMORE COUNTY

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 19, 2016

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I hereby certify that a copy of Plaintiff, Waltina Gadsden's Response to the Motion of Plaintiffs for Transfer of Actions to the District Court of South Carolina Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407 for Coordinated or Consolidated Pretrial Proceedings and this Certificate of Service was served by First-Class Mail on July 15, 2013 to the following:

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