

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

IN RE TURKEY ANTITRUST LITIGATION

Case No.: 1:19-cv-08318

This Document Relates To:

Hon. Sunil R. Harjani
Hon. Keri L. Holleb Hotaling

COMMERCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL
INDIRECT PURCHASER PLAINTIFF
ACTIONS

**ORDER GRANTING IN PART AND DENYING IN PART COMMERCIAL AND
INSTITUTIONAL INDIRECT PURCHASER PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PAYMENT
OF ATTORNEYS' FEES, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES, AND CLASS
REPRESENTATIVE SERVICE AWARDS**

This Court, having considered Commercial and Institutional Indirect Purchaser Plaintiffs' Motion for Payment of Attorneys' Fees, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Class Representative Service Awards and the memorandum and declarations in support thereof (collectively, the "Motion"),¹ and after a duly noticed hearing, hereby finds:

1. Tyson, Cooper Farms, Farbest Foods, and Cargill paid a total of \$6,875,000.00 into escrow (the "Settlement Fund"). Now, Commercial and Institutional Indirect Purchaser Plaintiffs' ("CIIPPs") seek (a) an interim award of attorneys' fees in the amount of \$1,540,333.00, which represents 33.3 percent of the Net Settlement Fund, (b) reimbursement of \$1,500,000.00 for current and ongoing litigation expenses, and (c) \$44,000.00 in service awards to be split among the nine named CIIPP Class Representatives.

¹ For the purposes of this order, the Court adopts the defined terms contained in the Motion.

2. The amount of attorneys' fees requested is fair and reasonable under the percentage-of-the-fund method, which is confirmed by a lodestar "cross-check." An award of 33.3 percent of the Settlement Fund plus interest and less net expenses is reasonable and warranted for the reasons set forth in the Motion, including the following: the outstanding results obtained for the CIIPP Class—including obtaining the settlements; the quality and quantity of work performed by Class Counsel in zealously representing the CIIPP Class, including extensive motion practice, substantial discovery, and successful class certification, all involving complex issues of fact and law; and the risks faced throughout the litigation, which existed from the outset. The attorneys' fees requested were entirely contingent upon a successful outcome for the CIIPP Class, which was never guaranteed.

3. As CIIPPs continue to prosecute this litigation, they have requested \$1,500,00.00 for reimbursement of incurred litigation expenses. The Court denies CIIPPs' request for reimbursement of litigation expenses without prejudice. CIIPPs may renew their request for reimbursement of expenses at a later stage of the litigation, including after additional settlements have been obtained, when the Court will be better positioned to evaluate how the expenses incurred have benefitted, and will continue to benefit, the CIIPP class in connection with the prosecution of claims against the remaining Defendants.

4. Throughout the case, each of the nine CIIPP Class Representatives has kept apprised of the status of the litigation, actively participated in discovery including searching for and producing documents, appearing for depositions, and responding to written discovery, and engaged in other efforts necessary to fulfill their duties as Class Representatives. Therefore, the Court approves the request for service awards of \$6,000.00 each for CIIPP Class Representatives class representatives Maquoketa Care Center, Thyme Café & Market, Bernie's LLC, Liberty

Holding Company d/b/a Liberty Tap Room and Grill, Music Matters, LLC d/b/a Stickyz Rock ‘N’ Roll Chicken Shack, Martin’s BBQ, LLC, and Social Kitchen, and \$1,000.00 each for Sandee’s Bakery d/b/a Sandee’s Catering Bakery & Deli and Gnemi, LLC, totaling \$44,000.00.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:

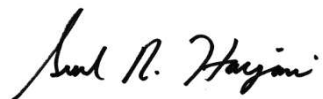
1. CIIPPs request for interim attorneys’ fees in the amount of \$1,540,333 or 33.3 percent of the Settlement Fund plus interest and net expenses, is **GRANTED**.

2. CIIPPs’ request for \$1,500,000.00 for current and ongoing litigation expenses is **DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** to renewal at a later time.

3. CIIPPs’ request for service awards of \$6,000.00 each for Maquoketa Care Center, Thyme Café & Market, Bernie’s LLC, Liberty Holding Company d/b/a Liberty Tap Room and Grill, Music Matters, LLC d/b/a Stickyz Rock ‘N’ Roll Chicken Shack, Martin’s BBQ, LLC, and Social Kitchen, and \$1,000 each for Sandee’s Bakery d/b/a Sandee’s Catering Bakery & Deli and Gnemi, LLC d/b/a Logan Farms is **GRANTED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

This 16th day of December, 2025.



HONORABLE SUNIL R. HARJANI
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE