

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS**

**IN RE: Syngenta AG MIR162
Corn Litigation**

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) **MDL No: 2591**

) **Case No: 14-md-2591-JWL-JPO**
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(This Document Relates to All Cases)

ORDER SETTING SETTLEMENT STATUS CONFERENCE

Several lawsuits have been filed in multiple federal and state courts arising from Syngenta’s development and sale of corn seeds containing genetically modified traits known as MIR 162 and Event 5307 before China’s approval to import corn with those traits. These include:

- **The multidistrict litigation (“MDL”) proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas, MDL No. 2591, before U.S. District Judge John W. Lungstrum and U.S. Magistrate Judge James P. O’Hara;**
- ***Tweet et al v. Syngenta AG et al*, No. 3:16-cv-00255, and *Poletti et al v. Syngenta AG et al*, No. 3:15-cv-01221, pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois before U.S. District Judge David. R. Herndon; and**
- ***In re Syngenta Litigation*, No. 27-cv-15-3785, pending in the Minnesota Fourth Judicial District Court before Judge Laurie Miller.**

The above-mentioned courts all appointed Ellen K. Reisman as Special Master for Settlement.

On June 23, 2017, the United States District Court for the District of Kansas entered a judgment following a class jury verdict in favor of Plaintiffs in the Kansas class action. On September 11, 2017, the Minnesota class trial began before Judge Miller. On September 25, 2017, Settlement Counsel for Plaintiffs and Syngenta entered into an agreement on broad terms of settlement, and the jury in the Minnesota class trial was dismissed.

The judges in the courts listed above have consulted and agreed that a mandatory settlement status conference is necessary and appropriate. According, it is hereby

ORDERED that a mandatory settlement status conference shall be held on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017 AT 1:00 P.M.** in Courtroom #643 of the United States District Court for the District of Kansas, with Judges Lungstrum, Herndon, and Miller presiding;

ORDERED that at this settlement conference Special Master Reisman and the Parties will report to the Court on the progress of finalization of settlement documentation with respect to the agreement entered into on September 25, 2017; and

ORDERED that the following persons shall attend the mandatory settlement status conference in person: Special Master Reisman, Special Master of Discovery in *Tweet* and *Poletti*, Ret. Judge Daniel Stack, Settlement Counsel for Syngenta, all members of the Plaintiffs' Settlement Negotiation Committee (Christopher A. Seeger, of Seeger Weiss LLP; Mikal Watts, of Watts Guerra LLP; Clayton A. Clark, of Clark, Love & Hutson, GP; and Daniel E. Gustafson, of Gustafson Gluek PLLC), and Patrick J. Stueve, of Stueve Siegel Hanson, LLP representing the Multidistrict Litigation Class Co-Lead Counsel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 12th day of December, 2017 at Kansas City, Kansas.

s/ John W. Lungstrum

JOHN W. LUNGSTRUM

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE