

If you own or owned a high efficiency gas furnace, you could get benefits from a class action settlement.

Includes Carrier, Bryant, Payne, and Day & Night furnaces made and sold since January 1, 1989.

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A nationwide settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit about whether Carrier Corporation ("Carrier") failed to disclose alleged defects in the secondary heat exchangers of its high efficiency gas furnaces. The settlement provides benefits to those who own or owned a high efficiency gas furnace.

If you're included, you may send in a claim form to request a payment, or you can exclude yourself from the settlement, or object to it. The U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington authorized this notice, and will have a hearing to decide whether to approve the settlement, so that benefits can be issued. Get a detailed notice at www.FurnaceClaims.com.

WHO'S INCLUDED?

The Class includes anyone who currently owns a Carrier 90+% high efficiency condensing gas furnace made and sold since January 1, 1989, and former owners of these furnaces who had a secondary heat exchanger failure. These furnaces were sold under the brand names "Carrier," "Bryant," "Payne," and "Day & Night." A list of the included models is available by calling 1-866-517-2490 or going to www.FurnaceClaims.com.

WHAT DOES THE SETTLEMENT PROVIDE?

Carrier will pay eligible Class members who had a secondary heat exchanger failure up to \$270 and offer an enhanced 20-year warranty on secondary heat exchangers in their high-efficiency gas furnaces. Carrier will also provide a technical bulletin to furnace dealers to help identify furnaces eligible for coverage under the enhanced warranty. The settlement doesn't mean that any law was broken, and Carrier denies it did anything wrong. Other benefits and more details about the settlement can be found in a Settlement Agreement which

is available at www.FurnaceClaims.com.

HOW DO YOU ASK FOR BENEFITS?

You do not have to do anything to receive the enhanced warranty. However, to request a payment for a past secondary heat exchanger failure you must complete and submit a claim form. You can submit a claim form at www.FurnaceClaims.com. The claim form describes what you must provide to prove your claim and receive a payment. Please read the instructions carefully, fill out the claim form, and submit it online or mail it postmarked no later than **August 1, 2008** to the address on the form.

WHAT ARE YOUR OTHER RIGHTS?

If you don't want to be legally bound by the settlement, you must exclude yourself by **March 21, 2008**, or you won't be able to start a lawsuit against Carrier on your own about the legal claims in this case. This case does not affect personal injury, wrongful death, or emotional distress claims. If you exclude yourself, you can't get any benefits from the settlement, but you keep your original warranty rights. If you stay in the settlement, you may object to it by **March 21, 2008**. The detailed notice explains how to exclude yourself or object.

The Court will hold a hearing in this case, known as *Grays Harbor Adventist Christian School v. Carrier Corporation*, No. CV05-5437, on **April 22, 2008**, to consider whether to approve the settlement, and a request by Class Counsel for fees, costs, and expenses of up to \$9,950,000. Class Counsel will also ask for a payment of \$3,500 to each Class Representative, who helped the lawyers on behalf of the whole Class. You or your own lawyer may ask to appear and speak at the hearing at your own cost, but you don't have to. For more information, go to the website shown below.