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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

IN RE: PACKAGED SEAFOOD PRODUCTS ANTITRUST LITIGATION
This document relates to: All Direct Purchaser Plaintiff Actions

Case No. 3:15-md-02670-DMS-MSB

**ORDER GRANTING DIRECT
PURCHASER PLAINTIFFS'
MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF
ATTORNEYS' FEES AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF
LITIGATION EXPENSES**

1 Pending before the Court is the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs’ (“DPPs”) motion
2 for an award of attorneys’ fees and reimbursement of litigation expenses made in
3 connection with their class action settlement with Defendants StarKist Co. and
4 Dongwon Industries Co., Ltd. (collectively, “StarKist and DWI”) and Defendants Lion
5 Capital (Americas), Inc., Lion Capital LLP, and Big Catch Cayman LP¹ (collectively, the
6 “Lion Companies”). The DPPs also seek modest incentive awards of \$12,500 for each
7 of the Class Representatives from the settlement fund for their service in this case.

8 Having considered the DPPs’ motion, the record in this case, and the supporting
9 papers, the Court finds DPPs’ request for attorneys’ fees, reimbursement of litigation
10 expenses, and modest incentive awards for each of the Class Representatives for their
11 service in this case is fair and reasonable considering the outstanding settlements
12 obtained, the substantial efforts Class Counsel have taken, the considerable litigation
13 risks faced by Class Counsel, and the extent of time and work that the Class
14 Representatives have put into this case over the last nine years. Accordingly, the Court
15 **GRANTS** the DPPs’ motion and **ORDERS** the following:

16 (1) The Class Representatives shall each receive an incentive award in the
17 amount of \$12,500.00.

18 (2) Class Counsel is awarded \$1,294,084.54 in past out-of-pocket expenses
19 and fees of \$20,847,769.85.

20 (3) The fees and expenses shall be allocated among Class Counsel by the
21 DPPs’ Lead Counsel (Hausfeld LLP) in a manner that, in the Lead Counsel’s
22 good-faith judgment, reflects each firm’s contribution to the institution, prosecution,
23 and resolution of the litigation. 90.7% of any fees, expenses, or Service Awards to
24 Class Representatives shall be paid from the StarKist and DWI settlement and 9.3%

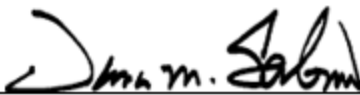
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27 ¹ Big Catch Cayman LP was previously dismissed from the Action by the Court with
28 prejudice. ECF No. 3103.

1 of any fees, expenses, or Service Awards shall be paid from the Settlement with the
2 Lion Companies.

3 (4) This order shall be entered of this date pursuant to Rule 54(b) and (d) of
4 the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court finding that there is no just reason for
5 delay.

6 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

7 Dated: November 22, 2024

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10 Hon. Dana M. Sabraw, Chief Judge
11 United States District Court
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