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

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Lawrence E. Jaffe Pension Plan, On)
Behalf Of Itself and All Others)
Similarly Situated.)
Plaintiff,) Lead case No. 02-C-5893
V.)
) <u>CLASS ACTION</u>
Household International, Inc., et al.)
Defendants.) Judge Ronald A. Guzmán
) Magistrate Judge Nan R. Nolan

ORDER

The Court has reviewed the proposed Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement with Arthur Andersen LLP and Providing for Notice. The court will require the following changes to the proposed Notice of Pendency and Proposed Partial Settlement of Class Action before it will approve the notice.

- 1.) Page 1, Paragraph 1. Insert after the first sentence: The basis for the lawsuit is an allegation that Household International Inc. falsely inflated the value of its securities by disseminating information that was materially false or misleading. Arthur Andersen LLP is included as a defendant in the lawsuit because of the allegation that it took part in falsely inflating the value of Household International Inc.'s securities by disseminating information that was materially false or misleading.
- **2.) Page 1, Paragraph 1. Add before the last sentence**: This notice is to inform you that the court has certified a class of persons eligible to receive a portion of any funds recovered by the lawsuit and that the lead plaintiffs and one of the defendants, Arthur Andersen LLP, have reached a settlement as to the claims against Arthur Andersen LLP only, the lawsuit continues as to the other defendants. This settlement is now being presented for the court's

approval.

3.) Settlement Fund: Substitute the following for this paragraph: Arthur Andersen LLP has agreed to pay \$1,500,000 in cash into a Settlement Fund. Because the class is comprised of hundreds of thousands of members, an attempt to process the claims and distribute the money in the settlement fund to those who are eligible right now would be extremely expensive and would likely cost more than the amount obtained by this partial settlement. Therefore, the settlement fund will be held in escrow and will be distributed only when the case is finished against the remaining defendants as well. This is a partial settlement only and this class action will continue to be litigated against the other defendants listed in Question 1 below.

4.) YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THE SETTLEMENT: Substitute the following:

EXCLUDE YOURSELF

To do this you must take the steps described in paragraph 10 below. If you choose to exclude yourself from the class of plaintiffs, then you'll get no payment from any sums of money, including this partial settlement, which may be recovered against any of the defendants by this lawsuit. However, you are free to file your own lawsuit or to attempt in any other legal manner to obtain payment from these defendants for the actions complained of in this lawsuit.

INCLUDE YOURSELF

If you do not take steps to exclude yourself and are otherwise eligible, you will be automatically included in the class. If included in the class of plaintiffs, then all of your rights to compensation against these defendants for the actions alleged in this complaint will be decided by this court in this case. You will not be allowed to file another or separate lawsuit against these defendants.

As a member of the class of plaintiffs you have the right to object if you don't approve of this partial settlement with defendant Andersen, or any other settlement that may occur in this case in the future. You may ask the court for a hearing at which you can state your objections to the settlement and ask the court to refuse to approve the settlement.

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5.) How Will the Lawyers and Be Paid? Add after last sentence: However, eventually the lawyers will be requesting the court to award them attorney's fees which may come out of any money gained from any settlement (including this partial settlement) or judgment in this case.

The parties will submit a proposed order incorporating a Notice of Pendency and

Proposed Partial Settlement of Class-Action with the above changes forthwith.

Dated: January 23, 2006

SO ORDERED

ENTER:

RONALD A. GUZMÁN District Judge