

An additional settlement has been reached in the class action lawsuit about American Cemwood roofing shakes.

Those included can send in a claim form to ask for a payment.

An additional \$75 million settlement has been reached in the American Cemwood roofing shake class action.

If you already filed a claim,
you don't need to do anything.

The Superior Court of San Joaquin County, California authorized this notice, and will have a hearing to decide whether to approve the settlement, so that the money can be distributed to those with qualified shake damage.

WHO'S INCLUDED ?

"Class Members" are all individuals and entities that owned, own, or acquire property on which Cemwood Shakes are or have been installed, in Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Cemwood Shakes in Colorado are not part of this Settlement. "Cemwood Shakes"—made to look like real wood—are all cement and wood fiber composite roofing tiles and shakes manufactured by Cemwood, including, but not limited to: Permatak, Permatak II, Royal, Cemwood and Cascade shakes, and Pacific Slate and Trieste tiles. Get more information in a detailed notice at the website or toll free number below.

THE PREVIOUS SETTLEMENT .

On May 26, 2000, the Court approved a \$105 million partial settlement with one defendant, Weyerhaeuser, including a \$40 million guaranty (\$20 million of which was advanced), to pay claims before any additional settlement with American Cemwood's insurers. The terms of the

partial settlement are at the website. Those who didn't previously exclude themselves are legally bound, and can't sue any of the Defendants or the settling insurers about the claims in this case.

THE ADDITIONAL SETTLEMENT.

The \$75 million additional settlement brings the total settlement fund to \$140 million. The settlement terms are at the website. The settlement pays Class Members for cracking, lifting, warping, or softening of Cemwood Shakes, and/or roof leaks because of damaged Shakes. Your payment will be based on your qualifying damage, roof size, and how many claims are received.

HOW DO YOU GET A PAYMENT ?

If you previously submitted a claim, you don't need to do anything. If you have qualifying damage and haven't yet submitted a claim form, you must do so to ask for a payment. Get a claim form at the website or by calling the toll free number below.

YOUR OTHER RIGHTS .

The Court will hold a hearing in this case (*Richison v. American Cemwood Corp.*, No. 005532) on **November 18, 2003**, to consider whether to approve the settlement and a request by the attorneys representing the Class for fees of up to 30%, plus costs, from the net additional fund (after paying the \$20 million back to Weyerhaeuser). Also at the hearing, the settling insurers and defendants will ask for a Court order saying they can't be joined into lawsuits against others for these claims. You may object to any part of the additional settlement by **November 6, 2003**. The detailed notice explains how. You may ask to appear at the hearing, at your own cost, but you don't have to. For more information, call 1-800-708-3266, visit www.cemwoodclaims.com, or write: Cemwood Settlement, P.O. Box 162, Lancaster, CA 93584.