UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

PUBLIC PENSION GROUP, et al., :

Plaintiffs,

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v. : Cause No. 4:08-cv-1859 (CEJ)

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KV PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY, et al.,:

:

Defendant.

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ORDER AWARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on April 23, 2014 for a hearing to determine, among other things, whether and in what amount to award Lead Counsel in the above-captioned securities class action attorneys' fees and litigation expenses. The Court having considered all matters submitted to it at the hearing and otherwise; and it appearing that a notice of the hearing, substantially in the form approved by the Court, was mailed to all reasonably identified Class Members; and that a summary notice of the hearing, substantially in the form approved by the Court, was published in *Investor's Business Daily* and transmitted over *PR Newswire*; and the Court having considered and determined the fairness and reasonableness of the award of attorneys' fees and expenses requested;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Action and over all parties to the Action, including all Class Members and the claims administrator, A.B. Data Ltd.
- 2. All capitalized terms used herein have the meanings as set forth and defined in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement, dated as of December 20, 2013 (the "Stipulation").

- 3. Notice of Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and payment of expenses was given to all Class Members who could be identified with reasonable effort. The form and method of notifying the Class of the motion for attorneys' fees and expenses met the requirements of Rules 23 and 54 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Section 21D(a)(7) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4(a)(7), as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "PSLRA"), due process, and any other applicable law, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted due and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled thereto.
- 4. Lead Counsel is hereby awarded attorneys' fees in the amount of \$3,840,000 plus interest at the same rate earned by the Settlement Fund (or 30% of the Settlement Fund) and payment of litigation expenses in the amount of \$488,531.75, plus interest, which sums the Court finds to be fair and reasonable.
- 5. The award of attorneys' fees and expenses may be paid to Lead Counsel from the Settlement Fund immediately upon entry of this Order, subject to the terms, conditions, and obligations of the Stipulation, which terms, conditions, and obligations are incorporated herein.
- 6. In making the award to Lead Counsel of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses to be paid from the Settlement Fund, the Court has considered and found that:
- (a) The Settlement has created a common fund of \$12.8 million in cash and that numerous Class Members who submit acceptable proofs of claim will benefit from the Settlement created by the efforts of Lead Counsel;
- (b) The requested attorneys' fees and payment of litigation expenses have been reviewed and approved as fair and reasonable by Lead Plaintiffs, Norfolk County Retirement System and the State-Boston Retirement System, two sophisticated institutional

investors that have been directly involved in the prosecution and resolution of the Action and have a substantial interest in ensuring that any fees paid to Lead Counsel are duly earned and not excessive;

- (c) Notice was disseminated to putative Class Members stating that Lead Counsel would be moving for attorneys' fees in an amount not to exceed 30% of the Settlement Fund, plus interest, and payment of expenses incurred in connection with the prosecution of this Action in an amount not to exceed \$750,000, plus interest, and no Class Member has filed an objection to the fees and expenses requested by Lead Counsel;
- (d) The Action presented substantial risks and uncertainties and would involve lengthy proceedings whose resolution would be uncertain, especially in light of the Company's bankruptcy;
- (e) The Action involved complex factual and legal issues, including technical and scientific subject matter;
- (f) Lead Counsel is an experienced law firm in the area of securities class action and conducted the litigation and achieved the Settlement with skillful and diligent advocacy;
- (g) Lead Counsel has devoted more than 4,200 hours, with a lodestar value of \$2,346,367.25 to achieve the Settlement;
- (h) The amount of attorneys' fees awarded and litigation expenses paid from the Settlement Fund are fair and reasonable and consistent with awards in similar cases; and
 - (i) Public policy favors granting Lead Counsel's fee and expense request.

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7. Any appeal or any challenge affecting this Court's approval regarding any

attorneys' fee and expense application shall in no way disturb or affect the finality of the

Judgment entered with respect to the Settlement.

8. Exclusive jurisdiction is hereby retained over the subject matter of this Action and

over all parties to the Action, including the administration and distribution of the Net Settlement

Fund to Class Members.

9. In the event that the Settlement is terminated or does not become final or the

Effective Date does not occur in accordance with the terms of the Stipulation, this order shall be

rendered null and void to the extent provided by the Stipulation and shall be vacated in

accordance with the Stipulation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 23, 2014

Carol E. Jackson

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE