IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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) Master Docket No. 22-mc-152
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) MDL No. 3021
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PRETRIAL ORDER #15

APPOINTING RUTH ANNE FRENCH-HODSON AND GARY E. MASON AS LIAISON COUNSEL TO IN RE PHILIPS RECALLED CPAP, BI-LEVEL PAP AND MECHANICAL VENTILATOR PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

This matter having come before the Court by Motion to Appoint co-lead counsel, Ruth Anne French-Hodson and Gary E. Mason, as liaison counsel to the *In Re Philips Recalled CPAP*, *Bi-Level PAP and Mechanical Ventilator Products Liability Litigation* (MDL 3014), 2:21-mc-1230, and the Court being fully advised thereon, finds as follows:

Ms. French-Hodson and Mr. Mason are co-lead counsel for plaintiffs in the *In Re SoClean* MDL. As such, they are well-suited to coordinate with both parties in the *In Re Philips* MDL on matters mutually relevant to the two separate MDLs. This will include, among other things, coordination to streamline the discovery phase of litigation in the interest of judicial efficiency.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Ruth Anne French-Hodson and Gary E. Mason are appointed liaison counsel to the *In Re Philips* MDL.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: May 19, 2022

/s/ JOY FLOWERS CONTI

HONORABLE JOY FLOWERS CONTI

Senior United States District Court Judge