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### RE: 2003 California Eligibility and Filing Requirements for Surplus Line Insurers

Attached is the revised eligibility and filing guide for nonadmitted insurers operating or wishing to operate in California. This guide has been updated and issued by the California Department of Insurance today with the following major changes:

• Effective March 1, 2003, all document and fee filings must be submitted to:

Julianne McCoy Licensing Background Bureau State of California Department of Insurance 300 Capitol Mall Sacramento, CA 95814

• Effective **November 1, 2002** the new filing fees (as advised in SLA Bulletin #979, dated October 11, 2002) are as follows:

Type of Filing:	<b>Filing Fee</b>
Initial application	\$ 4,725.00
Renewal application	2,363.00
Financial update	263.00
Non-financial update	37.00

Should you have any comments on the guide or questions concerning the requirements, please call me, or Patrice Kwang at (415) 434-4900, or Dennis Ward at the Department of Insurance at (415) 538-4367.

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# CALIFORNIA ELIGIBILITY AND FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR SURPLUS LINE INSURERS

Following the enactment of California Insurance Code ("CIC") §1765.1 (Senate Bill 959), effective January 1, 1995, the Insurance Commissioner must approve a nonadmitted insurer before it is eligible for surplus line placement in California. The approval process requires the nonadmitted insurer to establish its financial stability, reputation, and integrity by providing satisfactory evidence (including the submission of certain required documents) to the California Department of Insurance ("DOI") through a surplus line broker. Once the DOI determines that a nonadmitted insurer has met California's eligibility standards, the insurer is added to the List of Eligible Surplus Line Insurers ("LESLI"). Surplus line brokers may only make placements with nonadmitted insurers that appear on the LESLI, unless the placement qualifies under the GAP provisions of CIC §1765.1(k) (GAP filings have their own requirements and are not addressed in this document). To ensure continued compliance, a LESLI listed company is required to renew its eligibility status annually and provide the California DOI with the most recent or amended financial documents pursuant to CIC §1765.1.

This document (the "guide") summarizes the eligibility and filing requirements for nonadmitted insurers wishing to operate or approved to operate as surplus line carriers in California. The guide is intended to assist those who prepare regulatory filings for nonadmitted insurers. It is not all inclusive and does not supersede the actual language of the California surplus line laws and regulations, specifically CIC §1765.1 and amended sections 2174.1-.4 of Title 10 California Code of Regulation ("CCR"). The guide is divided into the following sections:

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#### I. Eligibility Requirements

To be considered for placement on the LESLI, a nonadmitted insurer must make an initial application to the DOI and submit all the documents specified under CIC §1765.1(c) and (d), along with the appropriate filing fee. The required documents and applicable filing fee are detailed in Sections II and VII of this Guide, respectively. The documents filed in the initial application must demonstrate that the insurer meets the following standards:

- A. That the insurer has established its **financial stability**, **reputation**, **and integrity** for the class of insurance it proposes to place with California surplus line brokers {CIC §1765.1(a)(1)}.
- B. That the insurer must have and will maintain a minimum of \$15 million in capital and surplus at all times. It must also have \$15 million in assets acceptable under the California Insurance Code {CIC §1765.1(a)(2)(A)}. Acceptable assets, as defined in Sections 1170 to 1182, comprise essentially of cash and marketable securities; letters of credit are deemed unacceptable.
- C. That the insurer has actively **transacted insurance for at least three years** immediately prior to its application for surplus line eligibility {CIC §1765.1(e)(3)}.
- D. Alien insurers must have established an irrevocable U.S. trust account consisting of cash and marketable securities of no less than \$5.4 million at all times with a U.S. Federal Reserve System member bank. Letters of credit may be used to fund the trust account, provided they are issued by a qualified U.S. financial institution {CIC §1765.1(b)(1) }.
- E. The insurer must currently hold a **license** to issue insurance policies (other than reinsurance) to residents of the jurisdiction that granted the license unless it has been granted an exemption {CIC §1765.1(e)(4)}.
- F. All documents filed must be **complete**, **clear**, **comprehensible**, **unambiguous**, **accurate and consistent** {CIC §1765.1(e)(1)}.
- G. The insurer must have an appointed California-licensed surplus line broker who has agreed to act as its **contact broker** to assist with the insurer's initial and subsequent regulatory filing responsibilities in California {CIC §1765.1(a)(1)}. A nonadmitted insurer may make its initial filing, annual renewal filings, and update filings directly with the DOI provided the insurer keeps its contact broker informed. It is recommended that the contact broker maintain a complete set of all such filings.

## **II. Document Filing Requirements**

All required documents must be filed in accordance with the provisions of CIC §1765.1(c)

and (d). All financial and certain non-financial documents must be certified, while several other required documents must be verified. For definitions of "certified" and "verified", refer to Section III of this guide.

If any required document(s) is not available at the time of the insurer's filing, the insurer should provide an explanation why the document(s) was not included and an estimate as to when the document(s) will be made available to the DOI.

The filing requirements are slightly different for foreign (U.S. domiciled) and for alien (non-U.S. domiciled) insurers; hence, these requirements are addressed in separate sections.

#### A. Filing Requirements for Foreign (U.S. domiciled) Insurers

Foreign insurers must file each of the documents listed below (in quadruplicate) in the initial application and, subsequent to their placement on the LESLI, at least annually as part of the annual renewal process or as an update filing:

- Annual Statement of the insurer not older than 12 months, and prepared in the NAIC prescribed format {CIC §1765.1(c)(1)(A) & (D)(i)}. The Annual Statement must be <u>certified</u> and include all supplementary reports, exhibits, and schedules required by the NAIC including, but not limited to, the Actuarial Opinion, Exhibit of Premiums & Losses for California Business, Management Discussion and Analysis, and Risk-Based Capital (RBC) Summary Report.
- 2. Audited Financial Report of the insurer, prepared by an independent certified public accountant or accounting firm ("CPA"), showing the insurer's condition as of a date not more than 12 months prior to submission {CIC §1765.1(c)(1)(B)}. The CPA must be in good standing with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in all states where the CPA is licensed to practice. The audited report must be prepared in accordance with statutory accounting practices prescribed, or otherwise permitted, by the insurance regulator of the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction.
  - CIC §1765.1 requires Audited Financial Reports to be <u>certified</u>; however, the DOI will accept verified copies if certified copies are not available at the time of filing. The DOI expects to receive certified copies when they become available. Exhibit B is a specimen of a verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.
- 3. A <u>certified</u> copy of the insurer's **current License or Certificate of Authority** issued by its domiciliary jurisdiction. The license should set forth the insurer's authority to issue the types of insurance it proposes to provide California consumers {CIC §1765.1(c)(2)}.
- 4. A Certificate of Good Standing, Certificate of Compliance, or other

**Equivalent Certificate** issued by the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction {CIC §1765.1(c)(2)}. If such certification is not available from its domiciliary jurisdiction or any other state where it is licensed, the insurer must provide a <u>verified</u> statement signed by a responsible executive or officer of the company. Exhibit D is a specimen of such verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

- 5. **Agent for Service of Process** appointed by the insurer to receive service of suits filed against the insurer. The Agent must be located in California. Information must include the Agent's full name, the name of the firm the Agent represents, business address, telephone and fax numbers where the agent can be reached during normal business hours {CIC §1765.1(c)(3)}.
- 6. **Principal Place of Business** of the insurer, including complete street address, mailing address, telephone and fax numbers {CIC §1765.1(c)(4)}.
- 7. An Explanation, Report, or other Statement as to the Insurer's Record Regarding Market Conduct and Consumer Complaints. Such report should be from the insurance regulatory office or official of the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction and may be <u>certified</u> or <u>verified</u> {CIC §1765.1(c)(5)}.

If such report is not available from the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction for the current filing year, then the insurer can provide a verified statement describing its own record regarding market conduct, and its own record of claims payment and treatment of policyholders.

8. **Regulatory Disclosure Statement.** A <u>verified</u> statement that discloses any currently known regulatory actions pending against the insurer or any of its affiliates {CIC §1765.1(c)(6)} for the current filing year. These regulatory actions include, but are not limited to, legal proceeding for receivership, conservation, liquidation, license revocation or suspension, or any other cease and desist order. If the insurer or any of its affiliates are subject to such proceedings, the statement must identify the proceeding by date, jurisdiction, and relief or sanction sought. Copies of any outstanding orders must also be attached to the statement.

For insurers who are not subject to any such actions, Exhibit A is a specimen of a verified regulatory disclosure statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

9. Proposed Products/Relationship with Admitted Insurer Affiliates. The

insurer is required to provide its proposed **Plan of Operation** in California to assist the Commissioner in determining whether the insurer has the financial stability, reputation and integrity for the class of insurance it proposes to accept from surplus line brokers {CIC §1765.1(d)(1)}, and to ascertain that the insurer does not intend to offer in California products that violate CIC §1765.1(e)(6). The Plan should include the following information:

- a) A brief description of the products it intends to accept from California surplus line brokers.
- b) A list of all affiliated companies who are admitted in California, including any affiliate(s) applying for admission in this State.
- An explanation as to how the coverages offered by the nonadmitted insurer differ from those offered by affiliated insurers admitted in California.

For new applicants, the insurer's business plan should also include three- to fiveyear written premium volume projections by lines of business, both nationwide (or worldwide) and in California.

- Biographical Affidavits on the Officers and Directors of the insurer. If the insurer has filed these with the NAIC, they must be filed in California {CIC § 1765.1(d)(1)}.
- 11. Latest Report of Examination of the insurer issued by its domiciliary regulator. If the latest Report is not available at the time of the filing, the insurer must provide an explanation why it is not available, and an estimate as to when the latest Report should be made available {CIC §1765.1(c)(7)}. All copies must be certified.
- 12. List of Surplus Line Brokers Authorized to Issue Policies on Behalf of the Insurer {CIC §1765.1(c)(8)}. A surplus line broker(s) may issue policies on behalf of a nonadmitted insurer provided the broker(s) has a written authorization from the insurer, and that the policies follow the required form. The insurer is also required to provide the Commissioner with a list of those brokers who have been granted authorization.

If the insurer has not granted this authority to any broker, the insurer must submit a statement that indicates no broker has the authority to issue policies on the insurer's behalf.

13. Quarterly Financial Statements for the current year of the insurer if available at

the time of the initial application. For LESLI listed companies, Quarterly Statements are normally filed as updates.

Quarterly Statements must be certified and filed as soon as they are available. The DOI will accept <u>verified</u> copies if certified copies are not available at the time of filing. The DOI also expects to receive certified copies when they do become available {CCR §2174.3(a)(1)(A)(iv) and CIC §1765.1(d)(1)}.

Please note that the DOI requires a separate verified statement attached to each financial statement, even if the jurat page of the financial statement has wet signatures of the insurer's officers. Exhibit B is a specimen of a verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

#### B. Filing Requirements for Alien (non-U.S. domiciled) Insurers

Alien insurers must file each of the documents listed below (in quadruplicate) in the initial application and, subsequent to their placement on the LESLI, at least annually as part of the annual renewal process or as an update filing:

1. Financial Statement of the insurer not more than 12 months old. If the insurer is registered with the NAIC IID (International Insurers Department), it must file a complete copy of its latest Standard IID Financial Reporting Format as filed with the NAIC (CIC §1765.1(c)(1)(A) & (E)). This Report must include all the required schedules and exhibits including, but not limited to, Schedule of Premiums and Losses, IID Interrogatories, Schedule of Reinsurance Ceded, and Certification of Loss Reserves (signed by an actuary, who is a member of a recognized professional actuarial body).

If the insurer is not registered with the NAIC IID, it must file a Financial Statement that has been prepared following the Standard IID Financial Reporting Format.

All copies of the financial statement must be <u>certified</u>; however, the DOI will accept <u>verified</u> copies if certified copies are not available at the time of filing. The DOI expects to receive certified copies when they do become available. Exhibit B is a specimen of such verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

2. **Audited Financial Report** of the insurer, prepared by an independent licensed auditor in the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction, showing the insurer's condition as of a date not more than 12 months prior to submission {CIC § 1765.1(c)(1)(B) & (E)}. The audited report must be prepared in accordance with either (i) Generally Accepted Auditing Standards that prescribe Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, or (ii) International Accounting Standards as published and revised

from time to time by the International Auditing Guidelines published by the International Auditing Practice Committee of the International Federation of Accountants. The audit report must include financial statement notes and a summary of significant accounting practices.

All copies of the Audited Report must be <u>certified</u>; however, the DOI will accept verified copies if certified copies are not available at the time of filing. The DOI expects to receive certified copies when they become available. Exhibit B is a specimen of a verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

- 3. **U.S. Trust Agreement** of the insurer {CIC §1765.1(c)(1)(C)(i)} prepared in accordance with the NAIC Standard Form Trust Agreement for Alien Excess or Surplus Lines Insurers (as amended June 2000). All copies of the agreement must be certified. The Trustee/Bank may certify these agreements.
- 4. Most recent quarterly **Statement of Account or List of Assets in the Trust Account** {CIC §1765.1(c)(1)(C)(ii)}. This Statement, generally provided on a regular basis by the trustee bank, shows a list of the assets held in the insurer's trust account at the end of each quarter. The Statement must be <u>verified</u>. Exhibit B is a specimen of such verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.
- A <u>certified</u> copy of the insurer's <u>current License</u> or <u>Certificate of Authority</u> issued by its domiciliary jurisdiction. The license should set forth the insurer's authority to issue the types of insurance it proposes to provide California consumers {CIC §1765.1(c)(2)}.

Each alien insurer must make every attempt to get a certified copy of its license issued by its domiciliary jurisdiction.

- 6. A **Certificate of Good Standing, a Certificate of Compliance, or other Equivalent Certificate** issued by the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction {see CIC §1765.1(c)(2)}. If such certification is not available from its domiciliary jurisdiction, the insurer must provide a <u>verified</u> statement signed by a responsible executive or officer of the company. Exhibit D is a specimen of such verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.
- 7. **Agent for Service of Process in California** appointed by the insurer to receive service of suits filed against the insurer. The Agent must be located in California.

Information must include the Agent's full name, the name of the firm the Agent represents, business address, telephone and fax numbers where the agent can be reached during normal business hours {CIC §1765.1(c)(3)}.

- 8. **Principal Place of Business** of the insurer, including complete street address, mailing address, telephone and fax number {CIC §1765.1(c)(4)}.
- An Explanation, Report, or other Statement as to the Insurer's Record Regarding Market Conduct and Consumer Complaints. Such report should be from the insurance regulatory office or official of the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction and may be <u>certified</u> or <u>verified</u> {CIC §1765.1(c)(5)}.

If such report is not available from the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction for the current filing year, then the insurer can provide a verified statement describing its own record regarding market conduct, and its own record of claims payment and treatment of policyholders.

10. **Regulatory Disclosure Statement.** A <u>verified</u> statement that discloses any currently known regulatory actions pending against the insurer or any of its affiliates {CIC §1765.1(c)(6)} for the current filing year. These regulatory actions include, but are not limited to, legal proceeding for receivership, conservation, liquidation, license revocation or suspension, or any other cease and desist order. If the insurer or any of its affiliates are subject to such proceedings, the statement must identify the proceeding by date, jurisdiction, and relief or sanction sought. Copies of any outstanding orders must also be attached to the statement.

For insurers who are not subject to any such actions, Exhibit A is a specimen of a verified regulatory disclosure statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

- 11. Proposed Products/Relationship with Admitted Insurer Affiliates. The insurer is required to provide its proposed Plan of Operation in California to assist the Commissioner in determining whether the insurer has the financial stability, reputation and integrity for the class of insurance it proposes to accept from surplus line brokers {CIC §1765.1(d)(1)}, and to ascertain that the insurer does not intend to offer in California products that violate CIC §1765.1(e)(6). The Plan should include the following information:
  - a) A brief description of the products it intends to accept from California surplus line brokers.
  - b) A list of all affiliated companies who are admitted in California, including

- any affiliate(s) applying for admission in this State.
- An explanation as to how the coverages offered by the nonadmitted insurer differ from those offered by affiliated insurers admitted in California.

For new applicants, the insurer's business plan should also include three- to fiveyear written premium volume projections by lines of business, both nationwide (or worldwide) and in California.

- 12. **Biographical Affidavits on the Officers and Directors** of the insurer {CIC § 1765.1(d)(1)}, if these affidavits are filed in the insurer's home jurisdiction or elsewhere.
- 13. List of Surplus Line Brokers Authorized to Issue Policies on Behalf of the Insurer {CIC §1765.1(c)(8)}. A surplus line broker(s) may issue policies on behalf of a nonadmitted insurer provided the broker(s) has a written authorization from the insurer, and that the policies follow the required form.

The insurer is also required to provide the Commissioner with a list of those brokers who have been granted authorization.

If the insurer has not granted this authority to any broker, the insurer must submit a statement that indicates no broker has the authority to issue policies on the insurer's behalf.

14. **Quarterly or Half-yearly Results** for the current year, if available, should be included with the insurer's initial application. For LESLI listed companies, Quarterly or Half-yearly Results are normally filed as updates.

Quarterly or Half-yearly Results must be certified or verified, and filed as soon as they are available {CCR §2174.3(a)(1)(A)(iv) and CIC §1765.1(d)(1)}. Exhibit B is a specimen of a verification statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

#### III. Definitions of "Certified" and "Verified"

"Certified" – an originally signed or sealed statement, dated not more than 60 days before submission, made by a public official or other person (someone at the Department of Insurance of the Domiciliary jurisdiction), attached to a copy of a document, attesting that the copy is a true copy of the original, and that the original is in the custody of the person making the statement {CIC §1765.1(I)(1)}.

"Verified" – a document or copy accompanied by an originally signed statement, dated not more than 60 days before submission, from a responsible executive or official who has authority to provide the statement and knowledge whereof he or she speaks, attesting either under oath before a notary public, or under penalty of perjury under California law, that the assertions made in the document are true {CIC §1765.1(I)(11)}.

#### IV. Annual Renewal Requirements

To maintain their surplus line eligibility in California and to ensure continual compliance with the requirements of CIC §1765.1, LESLI listed companies are required to renew their eligibility status annually. This renewal process includes the filing of up-to-date versions of all the documents required under CIC §1765.1(c) & (d) along with a \$2,363 filing fee. {CIC §1765.1(i) and (j)}.

Eligible insurers may incorporate most previously filed documents (except for the Market Conduct Information and Regulatory Disclosure Statement) into a current annual renewal package, provided there were no changes to the information in those documents. To incorporate a previously filed document(s) into a current annual filing, the insurer must: (1) Submit a verified statement that lists the document(s) previously provided to the DOI and affirm that there has been no change to the information contained in the previously filed document(s); and (2) Make a specific reference to the prior filing(s) in its current annual renewal filing. Exhibit C is a specimen of such verified statement that the Commissioner considers to be in compliance with the California Insurance Code.

Insurers may <u>not</u> incorporate previously filed Market Conduct Information and Regulatory Disclosure Statement into a current annual renewal filing, even if the information previously provided has not changed, since the information in these documents pertains to a specific period.

Each year, a LESLI listed company is required to submit market conduct information pertaining to the current filing year obtained from its domiciliary jurisdiction. If such information is not available from its domiciliary jurisdiction, the insurer must then submit a verified statement describing its record of claims payment and treatment of policyholders for the current filing period.

A LESLI listed company is also required to submit a Regulatory Disclosure Statement, each year, stating whether the insurer or any of its affiliates is subject to regulatory actions. A standardized Regulatory Disclosure Statement acceptable by the Commissioner has been incorporated into Exhibit A for insurers who are not subject to any such actions.

When to File: Annual renewal filings should be made on or before the anniversary of the insurer's LESLI approved date {CCR §2174.2(b)}; however, insurers do not have to wait until their LESLI anniversary date to make a filing. It is strongly recommended that insurers make

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their annual renewal filing as soon as all the required materials are available.

Where to File: All applications, annual renewal and update filings must be filed with the DOI {CCR §2174.2(d)}. These filings may be made through the insurer's California contact broker or directly to the DOI, provided the insurer keeps its contact broker informed. Effective March 1, 2003, all documents and fees must be sent to the following address:

Julianne McCoy Licensing Background Bureau State of California Department of Insurance 300 Capitol Mall Sacramento, CA 95814

**Regulatory Filing Contacts:** For questions regarding surplus line filing requirements, you may contact:

Licensing Background Bureau State of California Department of Insurance (916) 492-3650 Linda Cheng
The Surplus Line Association
OR of California
(415) 434-4900, ext. 121

## V. Update Filing Requirements

Whenever a LESLI listed insurer issues new or revised documents, such as the ones described in Section II, that cause any of those previously filed to become out-dated, then the insurer or its contact broker is required to file with the DOI the new, up-to-date version of the document, as soon as it becomes available {CCR § 2174.3(b)}, along with the appropriate filing fee. In addition, the DOI may request other information in order to make a complete assessment of an insurer's financial stability, reputation and/or integrity.

### A. Foreign Insurers - Update Filing Requirements:

Any new or updated versions of the documents described in Section II-A must be filed in accordance with the provisions of CIC §1765.1 (e.g. Financial Documents must be certified). In addition, in order to make a complete assessment of an insurer's financial stability, reputation and/or integrity the DOI reserves the right to request other information.

The following classifies the documents as financial, non-financial or supplemental information based on the required filing fee:

- 1. Financial Document updates require a \$263 filing fee.
  - (a) NAIC Annual Statement
  - (b) Audited Financial Report

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- (c) Report of Examination
- (d) NAIC Quarterly Statements

#### 2. Non-financial Document updates require a \$37 filing fee.

- (a) Certificate of Authority
- (b) Certificate of Good Standing or Compliance
- (c) Agent for Service of Process
- (d) Principal Place of Business
- (e) Market Conduct Report
- (f) Regulatory Disclosure Statement
- (g) List of surplus line brokers authorized to issue policies
- (h) Any other <u>material change</u> (e.g. name change, domiciliary change, ownership change, etc) involving operations

#### 3. Supplemental Information updates require a \$37 filing fee.

- (a) Plan of Operation/California Business Plan
- (b) Biographical Affidavits on Officers & Directors

#### B. Alien Insurers - Update Filing Requirements:

Any new or updated versions of the documents described in Section II-B. must be filed in accordance with the provisions of CIC §1765.1 (i.e. Financial Documents must be certified). In addition, in order to make a complete assessment of an insurer's financial stability, reputation and/or integrity the DOI reserves the right to request other information.

The following classifies the documents as financial, non-financial or supplemental information based on the required filing fee:

#### 1. Financial Document updates require a \$263 filing fee.

- (a) Financial Statement/Standard IID Financial Reporting Format
- (b) Audited Financial Report
- (c) Quarterly or Half-Yearly Results

#### Non-financial Document updates require a \$37 filing.

- (a) Certificate of Authority
- (b) Certificate of Good Standing or Compliance
- (c) Trust Agreement
- (d) Statement of Trust Assets
- (e) Agent for Service of Process
- (f) Principal Place of Business
- (g) Market Conduct Report
- (h) Regulatory Disclosure Statement
- (i) List of surplus line brokers authorized to issue policies
- (j) Any other material change (e.g. name change, domiciliary

change, ownership change, etc) involving operations

- 3. Supplemental Information updates require a \$37 filing fee.
  - (a) Plan of Operation/California Business Plan
  - (b) Biographical Affidavits on Officers & Directors

### **VI. Suggested Dates for Filing Financial Documents**

The California DOI requires LESLI listed companies to file new, amended, or updated financial documents as soon as they are available, in accordance with the provisions of CIC §1765.1. Updated financial documents are generally available when they are due for regulatory filing with the insurer's domiciliary jurisdiction. Therefore, the DOI expects to receive the new financial documents no later than the dates specified below.

#### **Foreign Insurers**

Financial Document	Document Should be Filed NO LATER
	than
Annual Statement	April 30 <sup>th</sup> each year
March 31 <sup>st</sup> Quarterly Statement	May 31 <sup>st</sup> each year
Audited Financial Statement	June 30 <sup>th</sup> each year
June 30 <sup>th</sup> Quarterly Statement	August 30 <sup>th</sup> each year
September 30 <sup>th</sup> Quarterly	November 30 <sup>th</sup> each year
Statement	

#### **Alien Insurers**

Financial Document	Document Should be Filed NO LATER than
Standard IID Reporting Format/ Financial Statement	August 15 <sup>th</sup> each year
	An Alien insurer not listed with the NAIC-IID should file their financial statement 15 days after it is due for regulatory filing with the insurer's domiciliary regulators.
Audited Financial Report	An Alien insurer should file their audited financial statement 15 days after it is due for regulatory filing with the insurer's domiciliary regulators.
March 31 <sup>st</sup> Listing of Assets in Trust Account	April 15 <sup>th</sup> each year

June 30 <sup>th</sup> Listing of Assets in Trust	<b>July 15</b> <sup>th</sup> each year
Account	
September 30 <sup>th</sup> Listing of Assets	October 15 <sup>th</sup> each year
in Trust Account	
Quarterly or Half-yearly results	Due as soon as they are available

#### VII. Filing Fees Schedule

All checks for filing fees must be made payable to the California Department of Insurance in U. S. Dollars (CCR §2174.2(a), (b), & (c) applicable via CIC §1765.1(j) & (m)}.

Type of Filing	Filing Fee <sup>1</sup>
Initial Application	\$4,725
Subsequent Annual Renewal (see Section IV above)	\$2,363
Updated Financial Document <sup>2</sup>	\$263*
Updated Non-Financial Document <sup>3</sup>	\$37*
Updated Supplementary Information <sup>4</sup>	\$37*

<sup>\*</sup>Note: These fees apply only if the documents are submitted to the DOI as update filings (see Section V above) and not as part of the annual renewal.

## VIII. Other Requirements for All Filings

For any and all filings to be in compliance with the provisions of CIC §1765.1 they must also meet the following standards:

- (1) All communications and documents filed must be submitted in, or translated into, the English language. All financial data must be converted into U.S. dollars.
- (2) Documents filed must be complete, in that pages cannot be omitted or cut off and they must include all referenced schedules, exhibits and/or attachments.
- (3) Documents filed must be legible.
- (4) Documents must be filed in quadruplicate (at least one original and up to three photocopies).

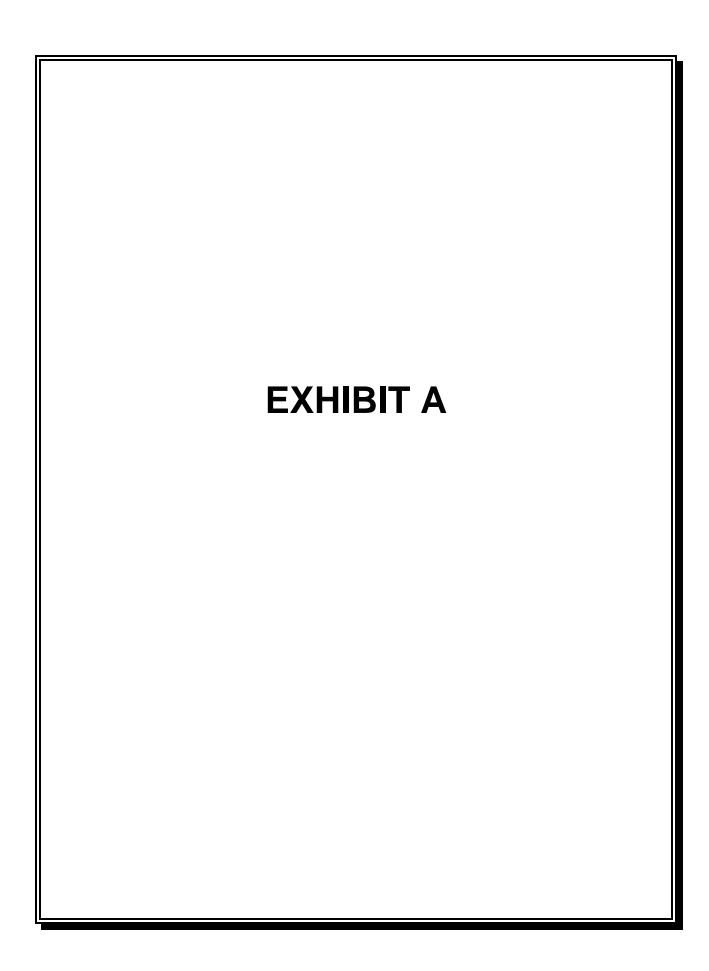
<sup>1</sup> Effective November 1, 2002

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Include, but are not limited to, the Annual Statement (for foreign insurers) or Standard IID Financial Reporting Format (for alien insurers), Audited Financial Report, Quarterly Financial Statement (for foreign insurers) or Quarterly/Semi- Annual Statement (for alien insurers), and/or the Report of Examination.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All other documents other than financial documents and supplemental information.

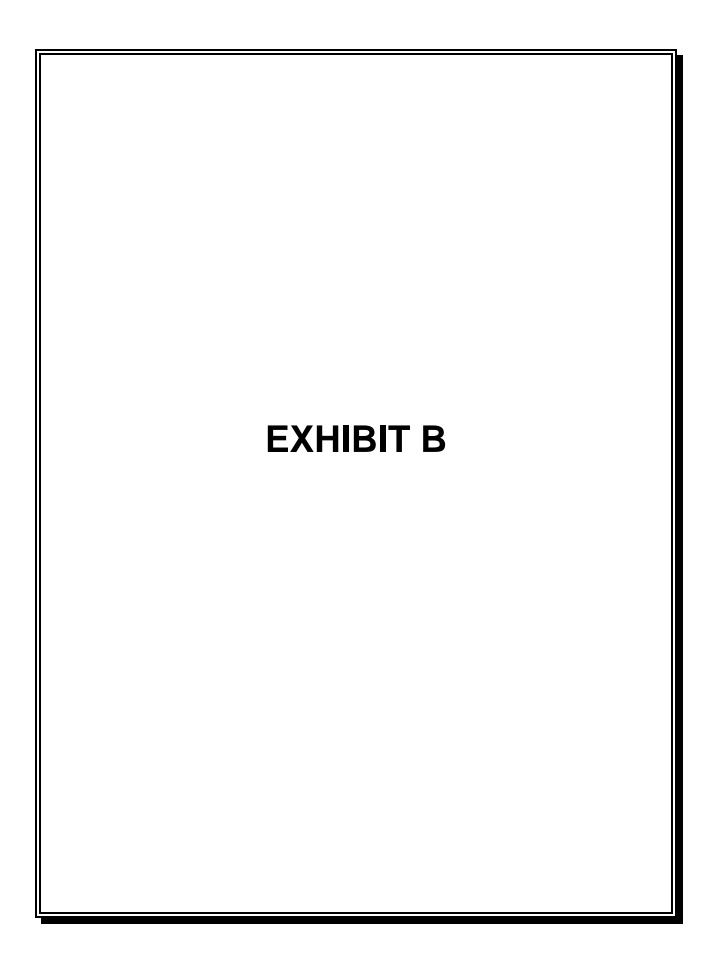
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Include, but are not limited to, Plan of Operation and Biographical Affidavits.

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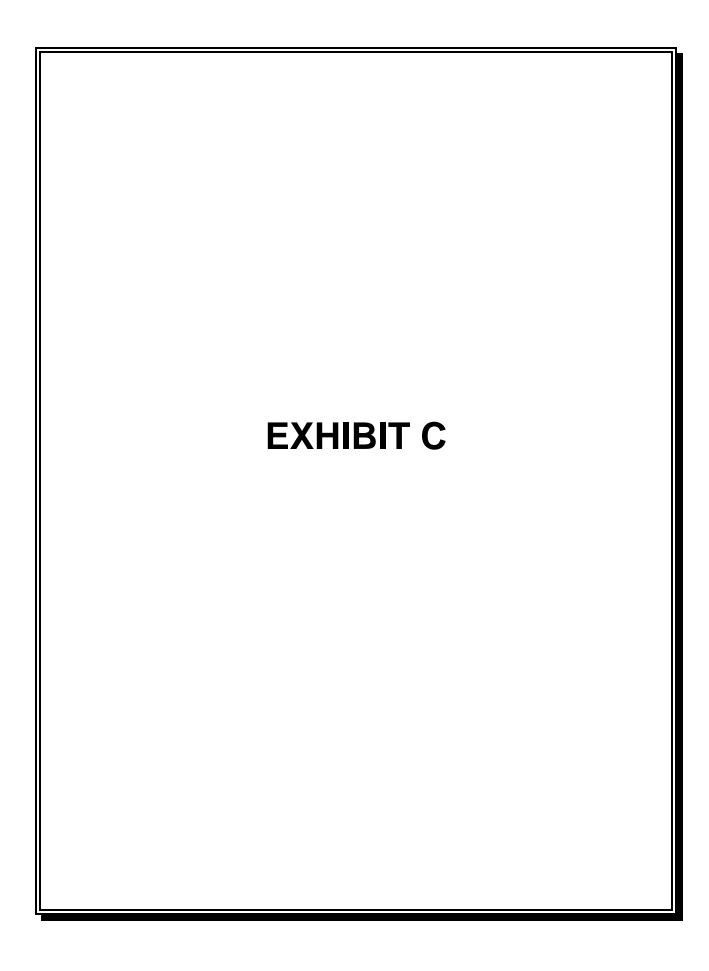
# REGULATORY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

(a non	admitted	insurer)	and	its
affiliated entities are currently not known to be	the subje	ct of any	order	or
proceeding regarding conservation, liquidation	n, or othe	r receive	rship;	or
regarding revocation or suspension of a license	to transac	t insuran	ce in a	any
jurisdiction; or otherwise seeking to stop the	e insurer	from tra	nsact	ing
insurance in any jurisdiction. I make this statem	ent as an	executive	or offi	cial
who has authority to provide the statement and	d knowled	ge where	of he	or
she speaks and under penalty of perjury und	der Califo	rnia law	that t	:he
assertions are true.				
Signature	Title			
Name	Date			



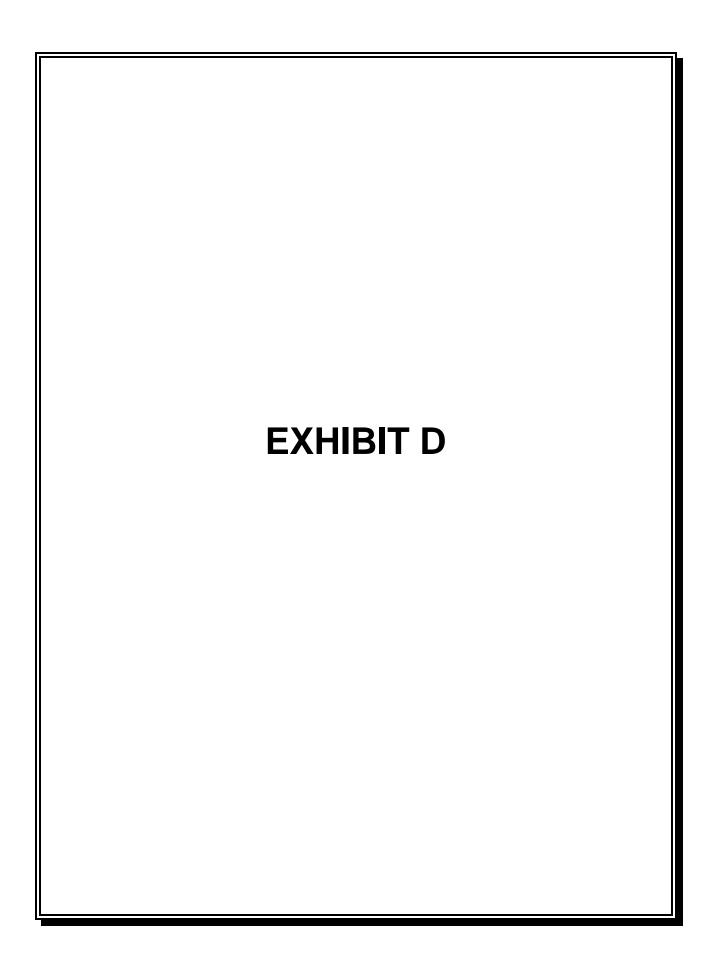
# **VERIFICATION**

I declare under penalty of	perjury under Californ	ia law that this is a	true correct
copy of the original		, and the	at I am an
	(Name of Document)		
executive or officer of			who has
	(Name of the Nonac	dmitted Insurer)	
the authority to provide this	s declaration.		
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Signature		Title	
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Name		Date	



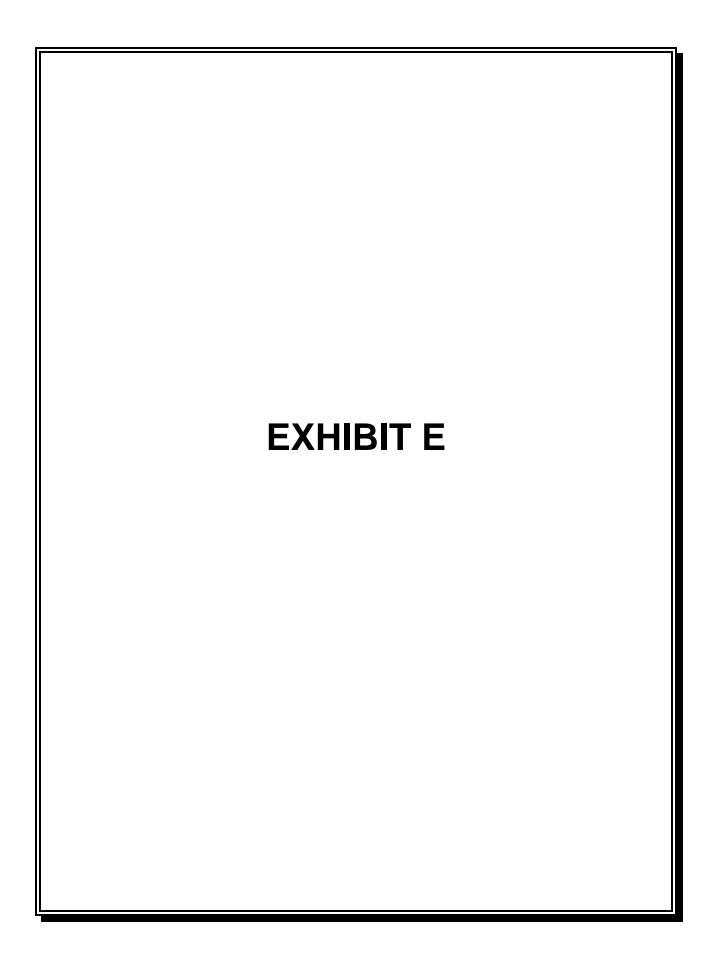
# **VERIFICATION**

As a	n officer or executive of	(Name of the nona	dmitted Insurer)	w	ho has the	
	authority and knowledge to provide this declaration, I declare under penalty of perjury under					
Calif	ornia law that all of the follow	ing statements are	true and c	correct:		
	The documents identified belonsurance and there have be					
	hese documents on file with and should be considered as				on available,	
Doo	ument Previously Filed				Date Filed	
	Year-end	Annual Statement				
	Period-end	Quarterly Statemer	nt			
	Year-end	Audited Financial S	Statement			
	Certificate of Authority					
	Certificate of Good Standing/Compliance					
	Agent for Service of Process					
	Principal Place of Business					
	California Plan of Operation/Business Plan					
	List of surplus line brokers authorized to issue policies					
	Biographical Affidavits on Off Except as enclosed, there ar filed.		biographica	l affidavits previously		
	Report of Examination:	Date of Report: _				
	List of Trust Assets as of (for	alien insurers only):				
	Trust Agreement (for alien in	surers only):				
	Date of Trust:	_ Date of Last	t Amendmer	nt:		
	Other:					
					-	
Signature Title						
Nar	ne			Date		



# VERIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury under California	law that the Insurance
Department for the state/country of	does
not issue a Certificate of Good Standing, Certifica	te of Compliance,
or other equivalent Certificate. I further declare th	at a Certificate of Good
Standing, Certificate of Compliance, or other equi-	valent Certificate is not
available from any other state where the company	is licensed and that I am an
executive or officer ofhas	who
(Name of the Nonadr	nitted Insurer)
the authority to provide this declaration.	
Signature	Title
Signature	Title
Name	Date



# CALIFORNIA DOCUMENT FILING REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST for FOREIGN (U.S. DOMICILED) INSURERS

Please make checks payable to the **California Department of Insurance**. All documents must be submitted in QUADRUPLICATE (one original and three photocopies) to:

Julianne McCoy Licensing Background Bureau California Department of Insurance 300 Capitol Mall Sacramento CA 95814

Filing Fee:	☐ Principal Place of Business
Initial Application: \$4,725	
Annual Renewal: \$2,363	■ Market Conduct Report/Information
Updated Financial Document: \$263	Certified or Verified
Updated Non-Financial or Supplemental	
Document: \$37	☐ Verified Regulatory Disclosure Statement
Certified Annual Statement	☐ Business Plan / Plan of Operation in
Includes the following Documents:	California
Actuarial Opinion	
Exhibit of Premiums & Losses for CA	☐ Biographical Affidavit on the Officers and
business	Directors
Management's Discussion and Analysis	
Risk Based Capital (RBC) Summary Report	☐ Certified Report of Examination
Audited Financial Report	☐ List of Surplus Lines Brokers Authorized to Issue
Certified or Verified	Policies
Certified Current License or Certificate of	☐ March 31 <sup>st</sup> Quarterly Statement
Authority	Certified or Verified
Certificate of Good Standing or Certificate of	☐ June 30 <sup>th</sup> Quarterly Statement
Compliance	Certified or Verified
If the domiciliary jurisdiction does not issue such a	
certificate, see Exhibit D.	☐ September 30 <sup>th</sup> Quarterly Statement
	Certified or Verified
Agent for Service of Process	

If an insurer determines that the information contained in a previously filed document has not changed and wishes to incorporate that document into a current annual renewal filing, please see Exhibit C.

# CALIFORNIA DOCUMENT FILING REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST for ALIEN (NON-U.S. DOMICILED) INSURERS

Please make checks payable to the **California Department of Insurance**. All documents must be submitted in QUADRUPLICATE (one original and three photocopies) to:

Julianne McCoy Licensing Background Bureau California Department of Insurance 300 Capitol Mall Sacramento CA 95814

	Filing Fee	☐ Verified List of Trust Assets as of September 30 <sup>th</sup>
	Initial Application: \$4,725	
	Annual Renewal: \$2,363	☐ Certified Current License or Certificate of
	Updated Financial Document: \$263	Authority
	Updated Non-Financial or Supplemental	
	Document: \$37	☐ Certificate of Good Standing or Certificate of Compliance
	Audited Financial Report	If the domiciliary jurisdiction does not issue such a
	Certified or Verified	certificate, see Exhibit D.
	Certified Financial Statement and/or Standard	☐ Agent for Service of Process
	IID (International Insurers Department) Financial	
	Reporting Format	Principal Place of Business
	Includes the following documents:	
	IID Interrogatories	■ Market Conduct Report/Information
	Schedule of Premiums & Losses	Certified or Verified
	Schedule of Reinsurance Ceded	
	Certification of Loss Reserves	Verified Regulatory Disclosure Statement
	Loss Development	
	Schedule of Invested Assets	☐ Business Plan / Plan of Operation
	Other Assets – Breakdown	in California
	Financial Ratio Report	
	IID Cross-check Spreadsheet	☐ Biographical Affidavit on the Officers and Directors
	Certified Trust Agreement and California Trust	
_	Amendment	☐ List of Surplus Lines Brokers Authorized to Issue Policies
	Verified List of Trust Assets as of March 31st	
_		☐ Quarterly or Semi-Annual Results
	Verified List of Trust Assets as of June 30th	

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