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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Pat Thomas Nunnelee, President Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company 100 North Parkgate Ext., Suite 1D Tupelo, MS 38803

RE: Report of Examination as of December 31, 2007

Dear Mr. Nunnelee:

MIKE CHANEY

Commissioner of Insurance

State Fire Marshal

In accordance with <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> § 83-5-201 et seq. (Rev. 1999), an examination of your Company has been completed. Enclosed herewith is the Order adopting the report and a copy of the final report as adopted.

Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(6)(a) (Rev. 1999), the Mississippi Department of Insurance shall continue to hold the content of said report as private and confidential for a period of ten (10) days from the date of the Order. After the expiration of the aforementioned 10-day period, the Department will open the report for public inspection.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

MIKE CHANEY COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

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Mark Haire

Special Assistant Attorney General

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Encls. Order w/exhibit

BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

IN RE:

REPORT OF EXAMINATION OF ALLIED

CAUSE NO. 08-5850

FUNERAL ASSOCIATES INSURANCE COMPANY

ORDER

THIS CAUSE came on for consideration before the Commissioner of Insurance of the State

of Mississippi ("Commissioner"), or his designated appointee, in the Offices of the Commissioner,

1001 Woolfolk Building, 501 North West Street, 10th Floor, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi,

pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-201 et seq. (Rev. 1999). The Commissioner, having fully

considered and reviewed the Report of Examination together with any submissions or rebuttals and

any relevant portions of the examiner's work papers, makes the following findings of fact and

conclusions of law, to-wit:

JURISDICTION

I.

That the Commissioner has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to the provisions of Miss.

Code Ann. § 83-5-201 et seq. (Rev. 1999).

II.

That Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company is a Mississippi-domiciled Company

licensed to write Industrial Life and Industrial Accident and Health coverages.

FINDINGS OF FACT

III.

That the Commissioner, or his appointee, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-201 et seq. (Rev. 1999), called for an examination of Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company and appointed Joseph R. May, Examiner-In-Charge, to conduct said examination.

IV.

That on or about October 8, 2008, the draft Report of Examination concerning Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company for the period of January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2007, was submitted to the Department by the Examiner-In-Charge, Joseph R. May.

V.

That on or about October 9, 2008, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(2) (Rev. 1999), the Department forwarded to the Company a copy of the draft report and allowed the Company a 30-day period to submit any rebuttal to the draft report. The Company did not submit a written response or rebuttal to the Department.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

VI.

The Commissioner, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(3) (Rev. 1999), must consider and review the report along with any submissions or rebuttals and all relevant portions of examiner work papers and enter an Order: (1) adopting the Report of Examination as final or with modifications or corrections; (2) rejecting the Report of Examination with directions to reopen; or (3) calling for an investigatory hearing.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, after reviewing the Report of Examination and all

relevant examiner work papers, that the Report of Examination of Allied Funeral Associates

Insurance Company, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", should be and same is hereby adopted as final.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of the adopted Report of Examination,

accompanied with this Order, shall be served upon the Company by certified mail, postage pre-paid,

return receipt requested.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Mississippi Department of Insurance shall continue

to hold the content of this report as private and confidential for a period of ten (10) days from the

date of this Order, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(6)(a) (Rev. 1999).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(4) (Rev. 1999), that

within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the adopted report, Allied Funeral Associates Insurance

Company shall file affidavits executed by each of its directors stating under oath that they have

received a copy of the adopted report and related orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company take the

necessary actions and implement the necessary procedures to ensure that all recommendations

contained in the Report of Examination are properly and promptly complied with.

SO ORDERED, this the 4 day of December, 2008.

MIKE CHANET

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Order and a copy of the final Report of Examination, as adopted by the Mississippi Department of Insurance, was sent by certified mail, postage pre-paid, return receipt requested, on this the 44 day of December, 2008, to:

Mr. Pat Thomas Nunnelee, President Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company 100 North Parkgate Ext., Suite 1D Tupelo, MS 38803

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Mississippi Insurance Department

Report of Examination

of Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company 100 North Parkgate Ext Tupelo, Mississippi 38803

As of December 31, 2007

NAIC Company Code 60209 NAIC ETS No. MS029-C52

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EXAMINER'S AFFIDAVIT AS TO STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES USED IN THE EXAMINATION

State of Mississippi,					
County of Madison,					
Joseph R. May being duly sworn, states as follows:					
 I have authority to represent the Mississippi Insurance Department in the examination of Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company. 					
 The Mississippi Insurance Department is accredited under the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation. 					
I have reviewed the examination work papers and examination report, and the examination of Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company was performed in a manner consistent with the standards and procedures required by the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Mississippi.					
The affiant says nothing further.					
Joseph R. May, CFE, CIE, CPA, CMA, FAHM Examiner-in-charge					
Subscribed and sworn before me by Joseph May on this day of					
N <u>OVEMBER</u> , 20 <u>08</u> .					
Notary Public My commission expires 9-10-2010 My Commission Expires September 10, 2010 AUBLIC OBLIC OBLIC					
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MIKE CHANEY
Commissioner of Insurance
State Fire Marshal

October 8, 2008

Honorable Mike Chaney Commissioner of Insurance Mississippi Insurance Department 501 North West Street, Suite 1001 Woolfolk Building (39201) Post Office Box 79 Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Dear Commissioner Chaney:

Pursuant to the instructions and authorization from the Commissioner of Insurance for the State of Mississippi, and in compliance with statutory provisions, an examination as of December 31, 2007, has been conducted of the affairs and financial condition of:

ALLIED FUNERAL ASSOCIATES INSURANCE COMPANY (NAIC COMPANY CODE 60209; NAIC-ETS No. MS029-C52)

Statutory Home Office: 100 North Parkgate Ext Tupelo, Mississippi 38803

This examination was commenced in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-205 and the report of examination is herewith submitted.

INTRODUCTION

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company, which hereinafter may be referred to as the Company or AFAIC, was last examined by the Mississippi Insurance Department (MID) as of December 31, 2003. The current examination covered the Company's operations from January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2007, including material transactions and/or events that occurred subsequent to the examination date and noted during the course of the examination.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

This examination was a full scope financial examination that included assessing the Company's financial condition, its ability to fulfill and manner of fulfillment of its obligations, the nature of its operations, and compliance with the law. A full scope market conduct examination was not performed; however, limited procedures were performed on specific areas of the Company's market conduct.

The affairs, transactions, accounts, records, assets and liabilities of the Company were reviewed and tested by acceptable methods to the extent deemed necessary to comply with Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-205. The examination procedures, as recommended by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) Financial Condition Examiners Handbook, were followed in the conduct of this examination and in the preparation of this report. These procedures included a review of material transactions and/or events occurring subsequent to the examination date and noted during the course of the examination.

Reporting in the **Current Examination Comments and Recommendations** section of this report was by exception; therefore, items which were tested and deemed acceptable by the examiners without material change received little or no comment.

HISTORY OF THE COMPANY

On July 30, 1996, the Company was incorporated under the laws of the State of Mississippi, as the Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company. The Company commenced business on January 1, 1997, as an industrial life insurance company with its principal office located in Tupelo, Mississippi. he purpose for which the company was formed, as stated in the articles of association, was to engage in the business commonly know as life insurance on the industrial plan.

The original articles of association authorized the Company to issue 500,000 shares of common stock, each reflecting a par value of \$1.00 per share.

On December 8, 1998, the Company amended its articles of association to provide for the issuance of a class of preferred stock. This amendment authorized the Company to issue 2,000 shares of preferred stock with a par value of \$1 per share. Also, the total authorized number of common shares was reduced to 498,000 shares. As a result, in December of 1998 and March of 2000, a total of 700 shares of preferred stock were issued and sold at a price of \$100 per share.

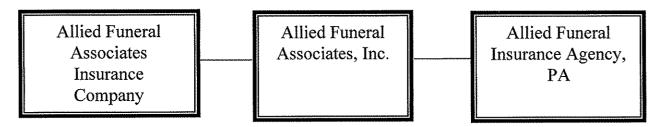
Later in 2000, the Company, after approval by the MID, made an offering to sell up to an additional 50,000 shares of common stock. Also, as part of this series of transactions, funds from the issuance of the common shares were used to redeem all of the Company's outstanding preferred stock.

In 2005 the Company purchased 1,000 shares of Treasury Stock at \$20 per share. In 2006 it purchased an additional 2,000 shares of stock at \$23 per share.

HOLDING COMPANY STRUCTURE

During the examination period, the Company was a member of an insurance holding company system as defined in Miss Code Ann. (1972) § 83-6-1. It appears that the Company filed Holding Company Registration Statements (HCRS) with the MID in accordance with Miss Code Ann. (1972) § 83-6-5 and § 83-6-9.

The following organizational chart reflects the Company and its affiliates that were under common control as reported in the 2007 filed annual statement. The Company's holding company system and any related party transactions were reviewed during the examination.



Ownership for the above captioned companies as reported on the 2007 annual statement was as follows:

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company

Pat Nunnelee	12%
Alan Nunnelee	6%
Teresa Snow	2%
Other Stockholders	80%

Allied Funeral Associates, Inc.

Pat Nunnelee	60%
Alan Nunnelee	30%
Teresa Snow	10%

Allied Funeral Insurance Agency, PA.

Pat Nunnelee 60% Alan Nunnelee 40%

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company: The Company was incorporated on July 30, 1996, under the laws of the State of Mississippi. (Refer to History of the Company caption of this report for more information.)

Allied Funeral Associates, Inc.: This company was incorporated on July 31, 1996, under the laws of the State of Mississippi. Its principal activities include acting as a Third Part Administrator (TPA) and performing general management and daily operational duties for the Company.

Allied Funeral Insurance Agency, PA.: This company was incorporated on July 31, 1996, under the laws of the State of Mississippi. Its principal activities include acting as an insurance agency involved in soliciting, procuring, receiving and forwarding policies of insurance to various insurance companies.

During the examination period, the Company was a party to a management agreement with Allied Funeral Associates Inc. (AFA), an affiliated company. Pursuant to the agreement, AFA performed managerial, administrative, and other various day-to-day operations of the Company. In consideration for these services, the Company agreed to pay AFA a fixed monthly fee. In addition, the agreement includes a provision that would cause the monthly management fee to increase if the Company's monthly premium volume reached specific levels.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

The Articles of Association and Bylaws vest the management and control of the Company's business and affairs with the board of directors. The members of the duly-elected board of directors with their city and state of residence and principal occupation or affiliation at the examination date were:

Name and City of Residence	<u>Principal Occupation</u>
Johnny Anthony Agnew	President
Baldwyn, Mississippi	Agnew & Sons Funeral Homes
John Grover Burt	President
Calhoun City, Mississippi	Pryor Funeral Home, Inc.
Victor Gerard Byas, Sr.	Owner
Indianola, Mississippi	Byas Funeral Home
Morris Oliver Jarvis	Retired Chairman
Belden, Mississippi	Hancock Fabrics, Inc.

Name and City of Residence

Principal Occupation

Mark Keith King

Leland, Mississippi

Pat Thomas Nunnelee

Tupelo, Mississippi

Patrick Alan Nunnelee

Tupelo, Mississippi

William Ed Pegues, III Tupelo, Mississippi

Sperry Ellis Reaves, Jr.

Ripley, Mississippi

Teresa Gail Snow Smithville, Mississippi

Kenneth Walter Tisdale, Sr.

Aberdeen, Mississippi

James Alan Waters Baldwyn, Mississippi Owner

Boone Funeral Home

President

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Co.

Vice-President

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Co.

President

Pegues Funeral Insurance Company

Manager

Ripley Funeral Home

Secretary/Treasurer

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Co.

General Manager

Tisdale-Lann Memorial Funeral Home

Manager

Waters Funeral Home

The officers of the Company, as elected by the board of directors and reported on the 2007 filed annual statement, are as follows:

Name Office

Pat Thomas Nunnelee President

Patrick Alan Nunnelee Vice-President

Teresa Gail Snow Secretary and Treasurer

Conflict of Interest

All officers and directors of the Company completed written conflict of interest questionnaires annually to disclose any existing or potential conflicts of interest. These statements were reviewed and no significant exceptions to Company policy were noted.

CORPORATE RECORDS

The Articles of Association, Bylaws and amendments thereto, were reviewed and duly applied in other sections of this report as deemed appropriate. Minutes of the meetings of the stockholders and board of directors taken during the period covered by this examination were reviewed and appeared to be complete with regard to recording all matters brought up at the meeting for deliberation and appropriate action.

FIDELITY BOND AND OTHER INSURANCE

The Company maintained an employee dishonesty policy in the amount of \$50,000. The NAIC suggested minimum amount of fidelity coverage is based upon exposure index brackets. As of the examination date, the bracket in which the Company's calculation fell recommended a minimum amount of fidelity coverage of \$75,000. The Company's exposure index was just in excess of this minimum for the above-mentioned bracket and it appeared that 2007 was the only year during the period covered by the examination that the Company's fidelity coverage did not meet the NAIC suggested minimums. It is recommended that the Company compare its budgeted financial projections to the guidance in the NAIC Examiners Handbook regarding suggested fidelity coverage, and obtain the appropriate amount of coverage.

The Company was also the owner and sole beneficiary of a yearly renewable term policy on the President of the Company.

DIRECTORS', OFFICERS', EMPLOYEES' AND AGENTS' WELFARE

The Company does not have any employees of its own. Pursuant to a management agreement, employees of Allied Funeral Associates, Inc. an affiliated company, perform the day-to-day operations of the Company.

REINSURANCE

During the examination period, the Company was not a party to any type of reinsurance agreements.

ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

The Company's records are maintained through the use of a network consisting of desktop computers. Policy administration is performed through the use of a software package that was developed for use in Microsoft Access, while the accounting records are maintained using Intuit's Quicken software package.

It was noted in the review of the bonds and stocks that the Company does not maintain safekeeping agreements with all of its custodians that meet the requirements of regulatory

standards. It is recommended that the Company execute a safekeeping agreement with each of its custodians that conforms to the standards established in Section 3, Part H of the NAIC Financial Condition Examiners Handbook.

During the current examination, the Company had multiple investments noted on the independent confirmations that were excluded from Schedule D, Parts 3 and 4. It was also noted that two securities were not individually listed on Schedule D, Part 1 and one security was listed, but inaccurately valued. Cases were noted where CUSIP numbers did not agree with the independent confirmations. It was also noted that settlement date accounting was utilized on certain securities as opposed to trade date accounting.

Based upon the information contained within the immediately preceding paragraph and as noted in the previous examination (see Compliance with Previous Recommendations section of this report), it is recommended for the Company to appropriately and accurately complete Schedule D in accordance with the NAIC's annual statement instructions. It is also recommended for the Company to use trade date accounting on investments as opposed to settlement date accounting pursuant to Statement of Statutory Accounting Principles (SSAP) No. 26.

STATUTORY DEPOSITS

The Company's statutory deposits with the state of Mississippi complied with Miss. Code Ann. § 83-19-31(2). The following chart displays the Company's deposits at December 31, 2007,

Description	Par Value	Fair Value	Maturity Date
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,229	\$10,229	10/18/2009
Certificate of Deposit	10,000	10,000	7/19/2008
Certificate of Deposit	10,475	10,475	10/19/2009
Certificate of Deposit	10,595	10,595	4/20/2010
Certificate of Deposit	10,526	10,526	7/30/2010
Certificate of Deposit	10,000	10,000	9/5/2008
Certificate of Deposit	100,000	100,000_	1/3/2008
Total	\$161,825	\$161,825	

ALLIED FUNERAL ASSOCIATES INSURANCE COMPANY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS EXAMINATION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007

Introduction

The following financial statements, as determined by the examination, consist of a Statement of Assets, Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds as of December 31, 2007; a Summary of Operations for the year ending December 31, 2007; a Reconciliation of Capital and Surplus for Examination Period Ending December 31, 2007; and a Reconciliation of Examination Changes to Unassigned Surplus as of December 31, 2007.

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company

Statement of Assets, Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds - Statutory

December 31,	2007	
Admitted Assets	•	4 470 770
Bonds	\$	1,176,770
Preferred stocks		251,499
Common stocks		96,452
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments		469,319
Investment income due and accrued		20,299
Uncollected premiums and agents' balances in the course of collection		58,618
Current federal and foreign income tax recoverable and interest thereon		11,500
Total admitted assets	\$	2,084,457
Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds		
Aggregate reserve for life contracts	\$	1,185,038
Contract claims: life	·	46,000
Premiums and annuity considerations received in advance		12,348
General expenses due and accrued		2,000
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued		9,490
Current federal and foreign income taxes		8,160
Asset valuation reserve		26,445
Total liabilities		1,289,481
Common capital stock		122,038
Gross paid in and contributed surplus		586,806
Unassigned funds (surplus)		152,132
Less: Treasury stock (3,000 shares at \$22 per share)		(66,000)
Total common capital stock and surplus	***************************************	794,976
Total liabilities, capital and surplus	\$	2,084,457

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company

Summary of Operations - Statutory

For the Year Ended December 31,	2007
Income	
Income Premium and annuity considerations	\$ 1,358,328
Net investment income	 111,315
Total income	 1,469,643
Benefits and reserve changes	
Death benefits	288,450
Surrender benefits and other fund withdrawals	1,697
Increase in aggregate reserve for life and accident and health policies	454.004
and contracts	151,294
Total policy benefits	 441,441
Other operating expenses and transfers Commissions	448,561
General insurance expenses	357,876
Insurance taxes, licenses and fees	 37,351
Total other operating expenses and transfers	843,788
Net gain from operations before federal income taxes	184,415
Federal income taxes incurred	24,702
Net gain from operations after federal income taxes	159,713
Net realized capital gains (losses)	3,857
Net income (loss)	\$ 163,570

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company

Reconciliation of Capital and Surplus - Statutory

For the examination period ended December 31, 2007

	2004		2005	2006	2007
Capital and surplus, beginning of the year	\$ 273,396	\$	522,314	\$ 645,510	\$ 735,800
Net income (loss)	256,241	•	160,590	159,513	163,570
Change in net unrealized capital gains	,		•		-
or (losses)	1,164		9,636	25,690	(35,802)
Change in non-admitted assets and related					
items	5,442		1,676	(70)	(510)
Change in asset valuation reserve	(1,705)		(4,756)	(12,470)	
Change in treasury stock			(20,000)	(46,000)	
Dividends to stockholders	(12,224)		(23,950)	(36,373)	(47,697)
Examination adjustments directly to surplus	_			 _	 (20,385)
Capital and surplus, end of the year	\$ 522,314	\$	645,510	\$ 735,800	\$ 794,976

Note: The amounts reflected in the above table represent amounts obtained from annual statements filed with the MID for 2004 through 2006 and the examination report balances for 2007.

ALLIED FUNERAL ASSOCIATES INSURANCE COMPANY RECONCILIATION OF EXAMINATION CHANGES TO UNASSIGNED SURPLUS DECEMBER 31, 2007

As a result of this examination, the following changes affecting surplus were made to the balance sheet and summary of operations reported by the Company in the December 31, 2007, annual statement filed with the Mississippi Insurance Department.

CTATEMENT LINE ITEM	BALANCE PER ANNUAL STATEMENT	NUAL BALANCE PER INC			
STATEMENT LINE ITEM	STATEMENT	EXAMINATION	(DECREASE)		
Balance Sheet Accounts:					
Assets:					
Current federal and foreign income tax recoverable and interest thereon	14,000	11,500	(2,500)		
Uncollected premiums and agents' balances in the course of collection	-	58,618	58,618		
Deferred premiums, agent's balances and installments booked but deferred and not yet due	20,802	-	(20,802)		
Liabilities:					
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	3,100	9,490	6,390		
Contract claims payable - life	23,000	46,000	23,000		
Premiums and annuity considerations in advance	30,513	12,348	(18,165)		
Aggregate reserve for life contracts	1,108,672	1,185,038	76,366		
Income Statement Accounts:					
Insurance, taxes, licenses and fees	28,461	37,351	8,890		
Death benefits	265,450	288,450	23,000		
Surplus Effect:					
Direct entry to surplus from exam adjustments			(20,385)		
Net effect to surplus from exam entries to summary of operations		-	(31,890)		
Total effect of examination entries to surplus * See Notes to Financial Statements section of this reports for	or additional information re	garding the adjustments in this ta	(52,275) able.		

Allied Funeral Associates Insurance Company Examination as of December 31, 2007

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Account Examination
Balance

ASSETS:

Current federal and foreign income tax recoverable and interest thereon

\$11,500

The examination balance is \$2,500 less than the \$14,000 reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. The amount filed with the MID included \$2,500 of prepaid premium tax. The prepaid amount was deducted from this balance.

Uncollected premiums and agents' balances in course of collection

\$58,618

The examination balance is \$58,618 more than the \$0 balance reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. This amount represents net due premiums associated with the Company's industrial life insurance policies. It was noted that the Company reported net due premiums on Line 13.2, Deferred Premiums in the amount of \$20,802 instead of line 13.1, Uncollected Premiums. Furthermore, a reclassification of certain policies from extended term insurance status to premium-paying status along with a recalculated gross due net premium assets created an increase to Premiums and Considerations of \$37,816.

Deferred premiums, agents' balances and installments booked but deferred and not yet due

\$0

The examination balance is \$20,802 less than the amount reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. See explanation under Uncollected Premiums and Agents' Balances in Course of Collection above.

LIABILITIES:

Taxes. licenses and fees due or accrued

\$9,490

The examination balance is \$6,390 more than the amount reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. Per review of the 2007 premium tax return, it was noted that the Company incorrectly included the balance due on the 2006 final premium tax return in the calculation of premium taxes already paid for the 2007 calendar year. It was also noted that interest and penalties were included in the same calculation. The calculation error resulted in the above noted adjustment.

Contract claims payable - life

\$46,000

The examination balance is \$23,000 more than the amount reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. It was noted that the Company reported an amount that included claims reported subsequent to December 31, 2007, but prior to preparation of the financial statements. These amounts are effectively in course of settlement claims (ICOS) as of the 2007 annual statement preparation date. It was noted that in addition to these claims, the examination

team noted claims that were paid subsequent to the 2007 annual statement preparation that were incurred during 2007 of approximately \$23,000. The amounts represent incurred but unreported claims as of the statement preparation date (IBNR). It is recommended that the Company prepare an estimate of IBNR for each year and include the amount in this line item of the financial statements.

Premium and annuity considerations in advance

\$12,348

The examination balance is \$18,165 less than the amount reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. This decrease is a result of the examination actuary's recalculation of premiums paid in advance liability and establishing a net Unearned Premium Reserve for collected premiums covering the period after December 31, 2007, but before the next policy anniversary.

Aggregate reserve for life contracts

\$1,185,038

The examination balance is \$76,366 more than the amount reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. The increase is due to the examination actuary reclassifying certain life insurance policies, including the associated Accidental Death Benefit (ADB) coverage, from extended term insurance status to premium-paying status along with the fact that the Company's mid-terminal reserving methodology requires a net Unearned Premium Reserve of \$12,790 for collected premiums covering the period after December 31, 2007, but before the next policy anniversary.

INCOME STATEMENT ACCOUNTS:

Insurance, taxes, licenses and fees

\$37,351

The examination balance is \$8,890 more than the amount reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. The majority of this examination adjustment is addressed under Taxes, Licenses and Fees Due or Accrued above.

Death Benefits \$288,450

The examination balance is \$23,000 more than the amount reported on the Company's 2007 annual statement as filed with the MID. See explanation under Contract Claims Payable – Life above.

MARKET CONDUCT ACTIVITIES

A full market conduct examination was not conducted; however, specific areas of the market conduct activities were reviewed. The specific areas reviewed included those items as indicated below.

Policy Forms and Underwriting

Based upon procedures performed during the course of the examination, the Company appeared to have the appropriate licensure to issue its products, and the applicable policy forms appeared to

be appropriately approved by the MID. As a component of the liability testing associated with the related sample items selected, and in conjunction with both the controls and substantive testing, the information on the face of the application was reviewed in order to ensure that all pertinent information on the applications appeared complete and accurate. No material concerns were noted.

Territory and Plan of Operation

As of December 31, 2007, the Company was authorized to write industrial life and industrial health and accident insurance only in the State of Mississippi. The Company's agency force consisted of approximately 100 independent agents located primarily in the northern part of the state. During agents licensing examination testwork, three (3) instances in which the agents who wrote policies were not identified as producers assigned to the Company on agent forms provided by the Company or on the MID producer database. Once these exceptions were brought to the Company's attention, proper paperwork was completed to address the issue. It is recommended for policies and procedures to be implemented that would ensure agents selling policies for the Company are appropriately licensed and appointed.

Advertising and Sales Material

The Company's advertising and sales materials that were utilized during the time period covered by this examination were reviewed with no exceptions or material concerns noted.

Treatment of Policyholders

The Company maintained a complaint log during the period under examination and all complaints appeared to have been appropriately resolved amicably and no policyholder abuse was noted. Additionally, it was noted that no resisted claims were disclosed on Schedule F of the NAIC annual statement and none were noted during our testing. As a component of the liability testing associated with the related sample items selected, and in conjunction with both the controls and substantive testing, the claim files were reviewed for general indicators of policyholder treatment concerns without material exception.

Privacy

The Company had a privacy policy in place for the protection of its policyholders, and based upon the procedures performed during the course of the examination, the policy appeared to be in compliance with applicable laws and standards with the exception of no privacy clause being noted in the management agreement between Allied Funeral Associates, Inc. and the Company. It is recommended for the appropriate privacy language to be included in the management agreement between Allied Funeral Associates, Inc and the Company in accordance with MID Regulation No. 2001-1.

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

No material commitments and/or contingent liabilities were noted during the course of this examination.

COMPLIANCE WITH PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS

Following are comments made in the previous examination report, as of December 31, 2003 that were not adequately addressed subsequent to the previous examination. As such, the same recommendations or related recommendations are again recorded in the Current Examination Comments and Recommendations section of this report. It is recommended that management aggressively pursue addressing these issues to fully comply with the directives of the Mississippi Insurance Department. The recommendations below are recorded exactly as originally reported in the previous examination, as of December 31, 2003.

Previous Exam Report Recommendation No. 2:

 It is recommended that the Company execute a safekeeping agreement with each of its custodians that conforms to the standards established in Part 1, Section IV of the NAIC Financial Condition Examiners Handbook.

Current Status:

The Company continues to maintain custodial agreements that are not in compliance with the standards established by the NAIC Financial Condition Examiners Handbook. As noted in the immediately preceding paragraph, the standards applicable to the custodial agreements during the previous examination were Part 1, Section IV of the NAIC Financial Condition Examiners Handbook. However, the current reference to the custodial standards is Section 3, Part H of the NAIC Financial Condition Examiners Handbook. These concerns are addresses in the Accounts and Records section of this report with the related recommendation being included in the Current Examination Comments and Recommendations section of this report.

Previous Exam Report Recommendation No. 3:

• It is recommended that the Company comply with the annual statement instructions when completing Schedule D.

Current Status:

During the current examination, the Company had multiple investments noted on the independent confirmations that were excluded from Schedule D, Parts 3 and 4. It was also noted that two securities were not individually listed on Schedule D, Part 1 and one security was listed, but inaccurately valued. Cases were noted where CUSIP numbers did not agree with the independent confirmations. It was also noted that settlement date accounting was utilized on certain securities as opposed to trade date accounting.

Based upon the information contained within the immediately preceding paragraph, the previous recommendation regarding non-compliance with the annual statement instructions regarding Schedule D appears to still be relevant and will again be addressed in the Current Examination Comments and Recommendations section of this report. These issues are further noted in the Accounts and Records section of this report.

CURRENT EXAMINATION COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. It is recommended that the Company compare its budgeted financial projections to the guidance in the NAIC Examiners Handbook regarding suggested fidelity coverage, and obtain the appropriate amount of coverage. (page 8)
- 2. It was noted in the review of the bonds and stocks that the Company does not maintain safekeeping agreements with all of its custodians that meets the requirements of regulatory standards. It is recommended that the Company execute a safekeeping agreement with each of its custodians that conforms to the standards established in Section 3, Part H of the NAIC Financial Condition Examiners Handbook. (page 8)
- 3. It is recommended for the Company to appropriately and accurately complete Schedule D in accordance with the NAIC's annual statement instructions. (page 9)
- 4. It is recommended for the Company to use trade date accounting on investments as opposed to settlement date accounting pursuant to Statement of Statutory Accounting Principles (SSAP) No. 26. (page 9)
- 5. It is recommended for the Company to report net due premiums on Page 2, Line 13.1, Uncollected Premiums. (page 15)
- 6. It is recommended that the Company prepare an estimate of IBNR for each year and include the amount in annual financial statements as filed with the MID. (page 15)
- 7. It is recommended for the Company to report a net Unearned Premium Reserve for those premiums collected covering the period after the valuation date, but before the next policy anniversary. (page 16)
- 8. It is recommended for the Company to properly classify its life insurance policies to reflect the premium-payment status of the polices. (page 16)
- 9. It is recommended for policies and procedures to be implemented that would ensure agents selling policies for the Company are appropriately licensed and appointed. (page 17)
- 10. It is recommended for the appropriate privacy language to be included in the management agreement between Allied Funeral Associates, Inc and the Company in accordance with MID Regulation No. 2001-1. (page 17)

<u>SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>
No material subsequent events were noted during the course of this examination.

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