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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. John W. Roberts, President AmFed Casualty Insurance Company 576 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 300 Ridgeland, MS 39157

RE: Report of Examination as of December 31, 2016

Dear Mr. Roberts:

In accordance with <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> § 83-5-201 et seq. (Rev. 2011), 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. 2011), 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

BY

Christina J. Kelsey Senior Attorney

MC/CJK/bs Encls. Order w/exhibit BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

IN RE:

REPORT OF EXAMINATION OF AMFED CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

CAUSE NO. 18-7287

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. 2011). 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. 2011).

II.

That AmFed Casualty Insurance Company, is a Mississippi-domiciled Company licensed to write Workers' Compensation coverage.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Ш.

That the Commissioner, or his appointee, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-201 et seq. (Rev. 2011), called for an examination of AmFed Casualty Insurance Company and appointed David A. Palmer, Examiner-In-Charge, to conduct said examination.

IV.

That on or about March 1, 2018, the draft Report of Examination concerning AmFed Casualty Insurance Company for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2016, was submitted to the Department by the Examiner-In-Charge, David A. Palmer.

V.

That on or about April 24, 2018, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(2) (Rev. 2011), the Department forwarded to the Company a copy of the draft report and allowed the Company a 15-day period, with an extension until May 24, 2018, to submit any rebuttal to the draft report. On or about May 25, 2018, the company responded by email.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

VI.

The Commissioner, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(3) (Rev. 2011), 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, all relevant examiner work papers and the Company's rebuttal, that the Report of Examination of AmFed Casualty 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. 2011).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-209(4) (Rev. 2011), that within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the adopted report, AmFed Casualty 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 AmFed Casualty 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 30 to day of May 2018.

MARK HAIRE

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

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 22 day of May 2018, to:

Mr. John W. Roberts, President AmFed Casualty Insurance Company 576 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 300 Ridgeland, MS 39157

> Christina J. Kelsey Senior Attorney

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Mississippi Insurance Department

Report of Examination

of

AMFED CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

as of

December 31, 2016

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

State of Texas	
County of Collin	2
David A. Palmer	, being duly sworn, states as follows:
I have authority to represent to Casualty Insurance Company a	the Mississippi Insurance Department in the examination of AmFed as of December 31, 2016.
	epartment is accredited under the National Association of Insurance gulation Standards and Accreditation.
AmFed Casualty Insurance Co	ation work papers and examination report, and the examination of ompany was performed in a manner consistent with the standards and ational Association of Insurance Commissioners and the Mississippi
The affiant says nothing further Examiner's Signature	er.
Subscribed and sworn before me April , 20 18 DEBRA WE Notary ID # 8	EBB
(SEAL) My Commission November 26,	Expires
My commission expires 11-26-20	[date].



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April 27, 2018

Honorable Mike Chaney Commissioner of Insurance Mississippi Insurance Department 1001 Woolfolk Building 501 North West Street Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Commissioner Chaney:

Pursuant to your instructions and authorization and in compliance with statutory provisions, an examination has been conducted, as of December 31, 2016, of the affairs and financial condition of:

AMFED CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

576 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 300 Ridgeland, MS 39157

License #	NAIC Group #	NAIC#	FEETS#	MATS#
0300041	3528	11963	11963-MS-2016-3	MS-MARTINJ-2

This examination was commenced in accordance with <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> § 83-5-201 *et seq.* and was performed in Ridgeland, Mississippi, at the main administrative home office of the Company. The report of examination is herewith submitted.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

We have performed a full scope, risk-focused financial examination of AmFed Casualty Insurance Company ("Company"). The last examination covered the period of January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011. This examination covers the period January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2016.

We conducted our examination in accordance with the NAIC *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook*. The Handbook requires that we plan and perform the examination to evaluate the financial condition, assess corporate governance, identify current and prospective risks of the Company and evaluate system controls and procedures used to mitigate those risks. An examination also includes identifying and evaluating significant risks that could cause an insurer's surplus to be materially misstated both currently and prospectively.

All accounts and activities of the Company were considered in accordance with the risk-focused examination process. This may include assessing significant estimates made by management and evaluating management's compliance with Statutory Accounting Principles. The examination does not attest to the fair presentation of the financial statements included herein. If, during the course of the examination an adjustment is identified, the impact of such adjustment will be documented separately following the Company's financial statements.

This examination report includes significant findings of fact and general information about the insurer and its financial condition. There may be other items identified during the examination that, due to their nature (e.g., subjective conclusions, proprietary information, etc.), are not included within the examination report but separately communicated to other regulators and/or the Company.

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF PREVIOUS EXAMINATION

1. Agent Termination Communication Delay

Finding:

The Company had numerous instances where timely communication of the termination of agents was not reported to the Mississippi Insurance Department. Per Miss. Code Ann. §83-17-77, an insurer or authorized representative of the insurer that terminates the appointment, employment, contract or other insurance business relationship with a producer shall notify the Commissioner within thirty (30) days following the effective date of the termination.

Recommendation:

It is recommend that the Company implement a process to communicate the termination of agents to the Commissioner within 30 days.

<u>Current Status:</u> During the examination, it was found that the Company failed to comply with the recommendation, as there were instances found were the Company did not comply with <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> §83-17-77. This issue is repeated in the Comments and Recommendations of this report.

2. Untimely Holding Company Filings

Finding:

The Company did not timely file their Form B and C Holding Company filings during the examination period (holding company registration statements were marked received by MID on July 9, 2012) in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §83-6-5 and §83-6-9.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Companies adhere to the June 1 filing deadline for Holding Company filings.

<u>Current status</u>: During the examination period, it was found that the Company was properly filing the Form B and C Holding Company filings in accordance with <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> §83-6-5 and §83-6-9.

HISTORY OF THE COMPANY

The Company was incorporated and commenced business under the laws of the State of Mississippi on March 6, 2004. The Company is licensed as a single-line property and casualty company and its operations to date have consisted of writing workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance contracts primarily in the State of Mississippi.

Prior to October 1, 2008, the Company was a wholly owned subsidiary of AmFed National Insurance Company, which was a wholly owned subsidiary of AmFed Holding Company ("AFHC"). Effective October 1, 2008, AmFed Holding Company sold its 100% interest in AmFed National, the Company's parent, to Companion Property and Casualty Insurance Company ("Companion"). Companion is a subsidiary of Blue Cross Blue Shield of South Carolina ("BCBSSC").

On May 30, 2014, a Form A was filed on behalf of AmFed Holding Company, LLC. AmFed

Holding Company, LLC was formed by Builders and Contractors Association of Mississippi ("BCAM"), John W. Roberts, and Greg McLemore. On June 30, 2014, a hearing was held with representatives from AmFed Holding Company, LLC, BCAM, Companion, and the Mississippi Insurance Department. The order was signed on June 30, 2014 approving the Form A transaction with the effective date of the transaction being July 1, 2014. On July 1, 2014, AmFed Holding Company, LLC purchased AmFed National Insurance Company and its subsidiary AmFed Casualty Insurance Company from Companion.

CORPORATE RECORDS

The minutes of the meetings of Stockholders and Board of Directors ("Board"), regarding the Company's business affairs as recorded during the period covered by the examination, were reviewed and appeared to be complete and in order with regard to recording action on matters brought up at the meetings for deliberation.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

Board of Directors

The Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws vest the management and control of the Company's business affairs with the Board. The members of the duly elected Board, along with their place of residence, number of years as Director, and principal occupation, at December 31, 2016, were as follows:

Name and Residence	Year Elected/Appointed	Principal Occupation
John William Roberts Madison, Mississippi	2014	President & CEO, AmFed Casualty Insurance Company
Gregory Thomas McLemore Brandon, Mississippi	2014	Chief Operating Officer, AmFed Casualty Insurance Company
Donald Robin Massey Meridian, Mississippi	2014	Owner of D and H Construction and Cabinetry
Joel Anthony Carroll Tupelo, Mississippi	2014	Manager, Sanderson Construction Company, Inc.
Joel Eugene Smith Brookhaven, Mississippi	2014	Owner of Smith Painting and Contracting, Inc.
Robert Clayton Easterling Gulfport, Mississippi	2014	Owner of Easterling Bros Insulation

Wade Byers Quin Ridgeland, Mississippi	2014	Owner of Wade Quin Construction LLC
Danny Michael Sprouse Steens, Mississippi	2014	Owner of Sprouse Construction, Inc.
Jackie Christopher Massey Nesbit, Mississippi	2014	Owner of Massey Home Builders

Committees

The Company utilized an Investment Committee and Audit Committee during the examination period. The following directors/officers served on the Investment Committee and Audit Committee at December 31, 2016:

Committee Structure

Investment Committee	Audit Committee
Gregory Thomas McLemore*	John William Roberts*
Donald Robin Massey	Donald Robin Massey
Wade Byers Quin	Wade Byers Quin
Richard Charles Camp	Gregory Thomas McLemore
Danny Michael Sprouse	Danny Michael Sprouse

^{*} Chairman

Officers

Name	Year Elected/Appointed	Title
John William Roberts	2014	President and Chief Executive Officer
Gregory Thomas McLemore	2014	Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer
Richard Charles Camp	2014	Chief Financial Officer
Michael Glenn Richardson	2014	Vice President
Brenda Denise Van Velkinburgh	2014	Vice President and Chief Information Officer
James Prentice Swanner	2014	Vice President
Donald Robin Massey	2014	Secretary

Conflict of Interest

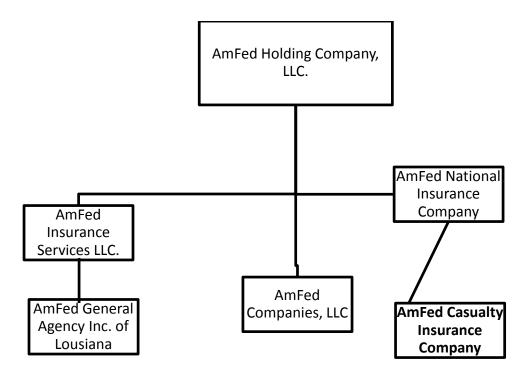
The Company has formal procedures whereby disclosure was made to the Board of any material interest or affiliation on the part of any officer or director that is, or would likely be, a conflict with their official duties. These procedures were reviewed, and no conflicts or exceptions to the Company's policies were noted.

HOLDING COMPANY STRUCTURE

The Company is a member of an insurance holding company system as defined in <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> § 83-6-1. Holding Company Registration Statements were filed during the examination period with the MID in accordance with <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> § 83-6-5 and § 83-6-9. The statements and applicable amendments that were filed with the MID during the examination period were reviewed and it appeared that any changes and material transactions by and between the Company and its affiliates were appropriately disclosed.

Organizational Chart

A simplified organizational chart as of December 31, 2016, reflecting the holding company system, is shown below. Schedule Y of the Company's 2016 annual statement provided a list of all related companies of the holding company group.



Parent and Affiliated Companies

The following is information concerning the Company's affiliates and subsidiary:

AmFed National Insurance Company ("AmFed National"): This Mississippi-domiciled insurer was formed in 2001 and provided workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance. AmFed National wholly-owns 100% of AmFed Casualty Insurance Company.

AmFed Companies, LLC: This company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of AmFed Holding Company, LLC and was incorporated in 1998 under the laws of the State of Mississippi. AmFed Companies, LLC acts as a third-party administrator for self-insured funds.

AmFed Insurance Services, LLC: This company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of AmFed Holding Company, LLC and was incorporated in 2000 under the laws of the State of Mississippi. AmFed Insurance Services, LLC operates as a Managing General Agent for excess and surplus lines.

Affiliated and Related Party Transactions

Service Agreement

Effective January 1, 2005, the Company entered into a service agreement with AmFed Companies,

LLC, Utilization Management, LLC, and AmFed Insurance Services, LLC (collectively referred to as AmFed). Pursuant to this agreement, AmFed may write and administer workers' compensation products and have the responsibility for premium collection, claims adjustment, claims payment and underwriting on behalf of the Company. During 2016, the Company paid \$54,460 as a result of this agreement.

Reinsurance Agreement

As described below under the "Reinsurance" section of this Report, the Company ceded 100% of the business written to AmFed National Insurance Company pursuant to a quota share agreement.

FIDELITY BOND AND OTHER INSURANCE

The Company was a named insured under a fidelity bond issued to the AmFed Holding Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,000,000. The coverage exceeded the minimum amount of fidelity bond coverage recommended by the NAIC for these companies.

PENSIONS, STOCK OWNERSHIP AND INSURANCE PLANS

The Company did not have any direct employees, nor did it provide any benefits or welfare programs for its officers or directors.

TERRITORY AND PLAN OF OPERATION

The Company was authorized to write workers' compensation business in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. The Company wrote workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance through independent agents in states the Company was licensed. As of December 31, 2016, the Company wrote \$5,947,116 in direct written premium of which 97% was written in Mississippi, 2.7% was written in Tennessee, and 0.3% was written in Louisiana.

GROWTH OF COMPANY

The review of the growth of the Company was performed based on balances reported in the annual statements filed with the MID during the period under examination.

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Total admitted assets	\$5,970,357	\$5,779,882	\$5,069,449	\$1,300,224	\$1,379,548
Total liabilities	\$851,112	\$652,975	\$3,882,667	\$121,793	\$214,906
Total capital and surplus	\$5,119,245	\$5,126,907	\$1,186,783	\$1,178,431	\$1,164,642
Net cash from operations	(\$253,307)	(\$3,349,853)	\$1,607,825	\$331,725	(\$51,632)
Total adjusted risk-based capital	\$5,119,245	\$5,126,907	\$1,186,783	\$1,178,431	\$1,164,642
Authorized control level risk-based capital	\$17,724	\$17,282	\$8,153	\$3,106	\$1,594
Premiums Earned	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net underwriting gain (loss)	(\$5,128)	(\$18,009)	\$25,867	\$7,162	\$0
Net Income	\$40,520	\$10,035	\$4,102	\$8,890	\$9,769

REINSURANCE

The Company ceded 100% of the voluntary workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance written to its parent, AmFed National Insurance Company. Under the provisions of the quota share reinsurance agreement, AmFed National Insurance Company pays the Company a commission allowance which approximates policy acquisition costs.

ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

The 2016 trial balance of the Company's accounts was traced to the balance sheet of the Company's statutory annual statement filed with the MID, with no exceptions noted. The Company was audited annually by an independent CPA firm.

The Company's accounting and records are maintained using electronic data processing with the exception of certain items entered manually into the general ledger. The Company maintains supporting documentation that was reviewed during the examination as applicable.

The Company was licensed as single-line property and casualty insurance company pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-19-31(a), which required the Company to maintain a minimum capital of \$400,000 and surplus of \$600,000. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-55, the Company was required to file an NAIC Property and Casualty Annual Statement. The Company was also required to file a risk-based capital (RBC) report pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 83-5-401 through § 83-5-427.

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 total statutory deposits as held at December 31, 2016:

Description of Security	Par Value	Fair Value
MS Special Obligation	\$500,000	\$588,050
US Treasury Note	\$200,000	\$201,560
US Treasury Note	\$300,000	\$299,880
Total	\$1,000,000	\$1,089,490

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Introduction

The financial statements consist of a Statement of Assets, Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds as of December 31, 2016, a Statement of Income for the year ended December 31, 2016, and a Reconciliation of Capital and Surplus for the examination period ended December 31, 2016.

The following financial statements are based on the statutory financial statements filed by the Company with the Mississippi Insurance Department and present the financial condition of the Company for the period ending December 31, 2016.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2016

ASSETS

Bonds	\$2,587,249
Cash and cash equivalents	693,338
Investment income due and accrued	19,839
Uncollected premiums and agents balances	138,529
Deferred premiums, agent balance, and installments booked but deferred	2,338,013
Amounts recoverable from reinsurers	193,389
Total Assets	\$5,970,357

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Losses	\$0
Commissions Payable	254,887
Other expenses	28,651
Taxes, licenses, and fees	56,022
Current federal and foreign income taxes	17,439
Ceded reinsurance premiums payable (net of ceding commissions)	246,346
Payable to parent, subsidiaries, and affiliates	247,767
Total Liabilities	\$851,112
Common capital stock	\$1,000,000
Gross paid in and contributed surplus	4,196,000
Unassigned funds (surplus)	(76,755)
Surplus as regards policyholders	\$5,119,245
Total liabilities and surplus	\$5,970,357

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Premiums earned	\$0
Losses incurred	0
Other underwriting expenses incurred	5,128
Total underwriting deductions	\$5,128
Net underwriting gain (loss)	(\$5,128)
Net investment income earned	\$46,009
Net investment gain	\$46,009
Net gain (loss) from agents' or premium balances charged off	5,128
Finance and service charges not included in premiums	6,170
Total other income	\$11,298
Federal and foreign income taxes incurred	\$11,659
Net Income	\$40,520

RECONCILIATION OF CAPITAL AND SURPLUS FOR EXAMINATION PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Capital and Surplus, December 31, prior year	\$5,126,907	\$1,186,783	\$1,178,431	\$1,164,642	\$1,113,288
Net Income	40,520	10,035	4,102	8,890	9,769
Change in non-admitted assets	(48,182)	(65,911)	4,250	4,899	41,585
Capital Changes – Paid in	-	600,000	-	-	-
Surplus adjustments – Paid in	-	3,396,000	-	-	-
Capital and Surplus, December 31, current year	\$5,119,245	\$5,126,907	\$1,186,783	\$1,178,431	\$1,164,642

RECONCILIATION OF EXAMINATION ADJUSTMENTS TO SURPLUS DECEMBER 31, 2016

As a result of this examination, there have been no changes made to the admitted assets, liabilities, and surplus balance reported by the Company in the December 31, 2016 annual statement as filed with the MID. The capital and surplus reported by the Company of \$5,119,245 is accepted as reasonably stated for purposes of the balance sheet per the examination.

MARKET CONDUCT ACTIVITIES

A full scope market conduct examination was not performed, however, specific areas of the Company's market conduct activities were reviewed. The specific areas reviewed included those items indicated below.

Underwriting and Rating

No exceptions were noted during the course of our testing regarding the Company's underwriting and rating.

Claims Handling

No exceptions were noted during the course of our testing regarding the Company's claims handling and payments.

Operations/Management

The Company had a privacy policy in place for the protection of its policyholders. No material concerns were noted during the course of our testing regarding the Company's privacy policy.

Producer Licensing

Notices for selected agents terminated during the examination period were reviewed for compliance with Mississippi Code. The Company had instances where timely communication of the termination of agents was not reported to the MID, per <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> §83-17-77.

Agent Certificates for selected agents terminated during the examination period were reviewed for compliance with Mississippi Code. The Company had instances where timely communication was not provided to the agents that the certificate of authority is non-renewed or cancelled, per Miss. Code Ann. §83-17-5.

Appointed Agents for the Company in the state of Mississippi and other states, as well as those agents appointed during the examination period, were compared to agents' records maintained by the MID. The Company had instances where a notice of appointment was not provided to the MID within 15 days from the date the agency contract was executed or the first application was submitted, per Miss. Code Ann. §83-17-75.

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At December 31, 2016, the Company was involved as a defendant in various litigation matters arising during normal business activities. Although the outcome of such legal actions cannot be

predicted, in the opinion of management, the resolution of any currently pending or threatened actions should not have a material adverse effect on the surplus of the Company.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

As of the end of field work, the examination did not identify any material transactions or events that could be identified as a significant subsequent event.

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Terminated Agent Communication Delay

Finding:

The Company had instances where timely communication of the termination of agents was not reported to the Mississippi Insurance Department. Per Miss. Code Ann. §83-17-77, an insurer or authorized representative of the insurer that terminates the appointment, employment, contract or other insurance business relationship with a producer shall notify the Commissioner within thirty (30) days following the effective date of the termination.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Company implement a process to communicate the termination of agents to the Commissioner within 30 days.

2. Agent Certificate-Notification of Nonrenewal or Cancellation

Finding:

The Company had instances where timely communication was not provided to the agents that the certificate of authority was non-renewed or cancelled. Per <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u> §83-17-5, an insurer must notify the agent within thirty (30) days if the authority is non-renewed or cancelled.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Company implement a process to communicate with its agents within 30 days if the authority of the agent is non-renewed or cancelled.

3. Appointment of agents

Finding:

The Company had instances where a notice of appointment was not provided to the MID within 15 days from the date the agency contract was executed or the first application was submitted. Per Miss. Code Ann. §83-17-75, to appoint a producer as its agent, the appointing insurer shall file, in a format approved by the commissioner, a notice of appointment within fifteen (15) days from the date the agency contract is executed or the first insurance application is submitted.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Company implement a process to ensure that all appointments of producers are filed within 15 days to the Mississippi Insurance Department.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The examiners representing the Mississippi Insurance Department and participating in this examination were:

Examiner-in-charge: David Palmer, CFE

Examiner: Ryne Davison, CFE

Examiner: Mario Ascic

IT Examiner: Darlene Lenhart-Schaeffer, CISA Supervising Examiner: Katerina Bolbas, CFE

Actuary: Robert Daniel, ACAS, MAAA

Department Designee: Mark Cooley, CFE

The courteous cooperation of the officers and employees responsible for assisting in the examination is hereby acknowledged and appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Examiner-in-charge

Department Designee

MB. Carl