NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON REGULATION AND HEARING AGENDA

Notice of Hearing for the Adoption, Amendment or Repeal of Regulations of The Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance

The State of Nevada, Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance ("Division"), (775) 687-0700, will hold a public hearing at **9:30 a.m. on November 9, 2017,** in the 1st Floor Hearing Room, 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706. Interested persons may also participate through a simultaneous videoconference conducted in the 4th Floor Tahoe Room at the Nevada State Business Center/Division of Insurance, 3300 West Sahara Avenue, Suite 275, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption, amendment or repeal of regulations pertaining to chapter 683A of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC").

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") 233B.0603 and the directives of the Governor:

LCB File No. R087-17. Third Party Administrator Parental Guaranty and Notification Requirements. A regulation relating to insurance; requiring certain applicants for a certificate of registration as an administrator to submit certain financial statements; authorizing certain applicants for a certificate of registration as an administrator to submit the financial statement of the parent company of such an applicant; requiring the financial statements submitted by an applicant for a certificate of registration as an administrator to contain certain information; requiring an administrator to notify the Commissioner of Insurance of certain changes not later than 30 days after the change occurred; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

(1) Why is the regulation necessary and what is its purpose?

Section 1 of the proposed regulation allows Administrators to submit parent company financials statements and a parental guaranty in lieu of the requirement to submit their own financial statements. This standard was added to NRS 683A.08528 during the 2015 Legislative Session. The proposed permanent regulation adds this standard to current regulation to match the statute.

Section 2 of the proposed regulation requires Administrators to notify the Commissioner of any change in mailing address or physical location within 30 days of a change. In addition, the proposed regulation requires that an Administrator submit biographical affidavits for any changes in officers, owners, or directors within 30 days of a change. With the speed of electronic communications and the ability to utilize electronic notaries under State of Nevada Law, these changes will improve the ability to regulate Administrator on a timelier basis.

Section 3 of the proposed regulation adds a reference to NRS 683A.08522, clarifying the contents of a financial statement required of an applicant for a certificate of registration as an

Administrator.

(2) What are the terms or substance of the proposed regulation?

The proposed regulation allows Administrators an alternative method of providing evidence of sound financial condition. The proposed regulation also strengthens the requirements for the Commissioner to be notified when a change has occurred in an Administrator's business structure. Section 3 provides clarification regarding the contents of a financial statement required of an applicant for a certificate of registration as an Administrator.

(3) What is the anticipated impact of the regulation on the problem(s)?

Current regulation will match the standard added during the 2015 Legislative Session. Section 2 will result in improved notification regarding certain changes to an Administrator's operations. Section 3 will provide clear guidance to potential Administrator applicants.

(4) Do other regulations address the same problem(s)?

No.

(5) Are alternate forms of regulation sufficient to address the problem(s)?

No.

(6) What value does the regulation have to the public?

A guaranty from the parent company of certain Administrators will ensure that an Administrator is financially sound, thereby protecting the public from harm. By providing the Division with timely notice of a change in the mailing address or physical location of an Administrator, the Division will have up to date records which are, in turn, available to the public. Applicants for a certificate of registration as an Administrator will have clear guidance regarding the content of the required financial statements.

- (7) What is the anticipated <u>economic benefit</u> of the regulation?
 - a. Public

Immediate: None anticipated.
 Long Term: None anticipated.

- b. Insurance Business
 - Immediate: None anticipated.
 Long Term: None anticipated.
- c. Small Businesses

Immediate: None anticipated.
 Long Term: None anticipated.

d. Small Communities

- Immediate: None anticipated.
 Long Term: None anticipated.
- e. Government Entities
 - 1. Immediate: *None anticipated.*
 - 2. Long Term: *None anticipated.*
- (8) What is the anticipated <u>adverse impact</u>, if any?
 - a. Public
 - 1. Immediate: None
 - 2. Long Term: *None*
 - b. Insurance Business
 - 1. Immediate: None
 - 2. Long Term: *None*
 - c. Small Businesses
 - 1. Immediate: None
 - 2. Long Term: *None*
 - d. Small Communities
 - 1. Immediate: *None*
 - 2. Long Term: *None*
 - e. Government Entities
 - 1. Immediate: *None*
 - 2. Long Term: *None*
- (9) What is the anticipated cost of the regulation, both direct and indirect?
 - a. Enactment: None
 - b. Enforcement: *None*
 - c. Compliance: *None*
- (10) Does the regulation establish a new fee or increase an existing fee?

The adoption of this proposed regulation would not establish a new fee or increase an existing fee.

(11) Provide a statement which identifies the methods used by the agency in determining the impact of the proposed regulation on a small business, prepared pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 233B.0608.

Analysis was performed by Terri Chambers, Chief Insurance Examiner for the regulation of Third-Party Administrators. She examined existing and proposed regulations, and reviewed the list of all third-party administrators who have requested that the Division consider a parental guaranty in lieu of the financial statement of the administrator. Generally speaking, Administrators who request acceptance of parent company financial statements are part of large corporations that are national or global in size. Ms. Chambers consulted with colleagues and

determined that there is little likelihood that the proposed permanent regulation would have an effect on small businesses.

Ms. Chambers also performed an analysis of the notification requirements contained in Section 2. In consulting with colleagues and current third-party administrators, Ms. Chambers determined that the proposed permanent regulation would have little or no beneficial or adverse effect on small businesses.

Changes proposed in Section 3 would be helpful to businesses of all sizes as it adds clarity regarding the requirements for a certificate of registration as an Administrator.

(12) Provide a description of any regulations of other state or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates, and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, state the name of the regulating federal agency.

None identified.

(13) If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, provide a citation and description of the federal law.

Not applicable.

(14) If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, provide a summary of such provisions.

Not applicable.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed actions of the Division may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to the Division, 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706. Written submissions must be received by the Division on or before October 18, 2017. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Division may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the regulation to be adopted, amended or repealed will be on file at the State Library, 100 North Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation will be available at the offices of the Division, 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, and 3300 West Sahara Avenue, Suite 275, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102, and in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the Internet at http://leg.state.nv.us/register/. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary. This does not apply to a public body subject to the Open Meeting Law.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

Notice of the hearing was provided via electronic means to all persons on the agency's email list for administrative regulations, and this Notice of Intent to Act Upon Regulation was posted to the agency's Internet Web site at http://doi.nv.gov/ and was provided to or posted at the following locations:

Nevada Division of Insurance 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103 Carson City, Nevada 89706

Legislative Building 401 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Blasdel Building 209 East Musser Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation 2800 E. Saint Louis Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89104

Carson City Library 900 North Roop Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Douglas County Library P.O. Box 337 Minden, Nevada 89423

Esmeralda County Library P.O. Box 430 Goldfield, Nevada 89013

Humboldt County Library 85 East 5th Street Winnemucca, Nevada 89445

Las Vegas-Clark County Library District 7060 W. Windmill Lane Las Vegas, NV 89113 Nevada State Business Center 3300 West Sahara Avenue Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

Grant Sawyer Building 555 East Washington Avenue Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Capitol Building Main Floor 101 North Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Nevada State Library & Archives 100 North Stewart Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Churchill County Library 553 South Main Street Fallon, Nevada 89406

Elko County Library 720 Court Street Elko, Nevada 89801

Eureka Branch Library P.O. Box 293 Eureka, Nevada 89316

Lander County Library P.O. Box 141 Battle Mountain, Nevada 89820

Lincoln County Library P.O. Box 330 Pioche, Nevada 89043-0330 Lyon County Library 20 Nevin Way Yerington, Nevada 89447

Pershing County Library P.O. Box 781 Lovelock, Nevada 89419

Tonopah Public Library P.O. Box 449 Tonopah, Nevada 89049

White Pine County Library 950 Campton Street Ely, Nevada 89301 Mineral County Public Library P.O. Box 1390 Hawthorne, Nevada 89415

Storey County Clerk P.O. Drawer D Virginia City, Nevada 89440

Washoe County/Downtown Reno Library P.O. Box 2151 Reno, Nevada 89505-2151

Members of the public who would like additional information about the proposed regulation may contact Terri Chambers, Chief Insurance Examiner for the Self Insured Workers' Compensation Section, at (775) 687-0777, or via e-mail to tchambers@doi.nv.gov.

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing are requested to notify the Commissioner's secretary, in writing, no later than five (5) working days before the hearing: 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, or suebell@doi.nv.gov.

DATED this da	y of September, 2017.
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BARBARA D. RICHARDSON Commissioner of Insurance

By: _____

LAURIE SQUARTSOFF Chief Deputy Commissioner With Delegation of Authority

HEARING AGENDA

The State of Nevada, Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance

November 9, 2017 • 9:30 a.m.

Location of Hearing:

Nevada Division of Insurance 1818 E. College Pkwy., 1st Floor Hearing Room Carson City, NV 89706 Available via Videoconference at:

Nevada Division of Insurance 3300 W. Sahara Ave., 4th Floor Tahoe Room Las Vegas, NV 89102

(Division Offices located in Suite 275)

- 1. Open Hearing: R087-17.
- 2. Presentation, Discussion and Adoption of Proposed Regulation. (For Possible Action)

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- 3. Public Comment.
- 4. Close Hearing: R087-17.
- 5. Adjournment.

Supporting public material for this hearing may be requested from Susan Bell, Legal Secretary, Nevada Division of Insurance, 1818 E. College Parkway, Carson City, Nevada 89706, (775) 687-0704, or suebell@doi.nv.gov.

Note: Any agenda item may be taken out of order; items may be combined for consideration by the public body; items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time; and, discussion relating to an item may be delayed or continued at any time. The Hearing Officer, within his/her discretion, may allow for public comment on individual agenda items. Public comment may be limited to three minutes per speaker.

Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments for the record.

We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for attendees with disabilities. Please notify the Commissioner's secretary, in writing, no later than five (5) working days before the hearing: 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, or suebell@doi.nv.gov.

NOTICES FOR THIS HEARING HAVE BEEN POSTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NRS 241 AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

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Nevada Dept. of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, 2800 E. Saint Louis Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104 The State of Nevada Website (www.nv.gov)
The Nevada State Legislature Website (www.leg.state.nv.us)
The Nevada Division of Insurance Website (www.doi.nv.gov)