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TO THE COURT AND TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD: THE LIQUIDATOR'S FURTHER STATUS REPORT FOR LEAD CASE.

I.

### **OVERVIEW**

The Insurance Commissioner of the State of California ("Commissioner" or "Liquidator"), through his CLO<sup>1</sup>, manages the Superior National Insurance Companies' liquidation for the benefit of policy claimants and creditors. It is the purpose of this report to explain the current status of the liquidator's reinsurance and premium recovery efforts, to provide financial information and an updated look at the Liquidator's ongoing litigation efforts. This report updates all the categories of information provided in the Liquidator's report previously filed on September 13, 2013 ("2013 Status Report").

II.

# REINSURANCE INFORMATION

The CLO continues to pursue the estate's reinsurance recoveries by performing accounting, billings and collections, commutations, and overseeing audits. In addition to a general summary of reinsurance activities occurring since the last status report, the CLO continues to report a schedule of paid loss recoverables (net of premiums payable) including an aging report, attached hereto as Exhibit A. Exhibit B is a schedule of ceded case reserves listing the amounts of all claims whether paid or reported to the reinsurer, but not yet billed, based on reserve amounts as established by the responsible IGA. Exhibit C is a schedule of ceded incurred but not reported reserves (IBNR). Exhibit D is a computation of the difference in amounts of paid loss recoverables (net of premiums payable) between the current and prior reports. The following is a narrative that explains the latest versions of these reports in more detail.

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<sup>25</sup> Conservation and Liquidation Office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Superior National Insurance Companies refer to Superior National Insurance Company, Superior Pacific Casualty Company, California Compensation Insurance Company, Commercial Compensation Casualty Company and Combined Benefits Insurance Company, which are collectively also referred to as the "SNICIL" or the "Estate."

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# Exhibit A - Paid Loss Recoverables (Net of Premiums Payable)

Exhibit A lists paid loss recoverables (net of premiums payable) due from each reinsurer as of June 30, 2014. Paid loss recoverables are the amounts already paid to claimants that are due from the reinsurers and premiums payable are amounts due reinsurers pursuant to the terms of each contract. A total of \$11,531,902 is shown as due from reinsurers, an increase from the \$10,587,245 due as of June 30, 2013 as reported in the 2013 Status Report. The increase in paid loss recoverables (net of premiums payable) is \$944,657, resulting primarily from new billings of \$6,469,387 offset by collections of \$5,480,940 and write-offs of \$43,789. (See Exhibit D.)

The new billings are from the release of updated reinsurance reports for various XOL treaties. The total collections were primarily from Blackthorn/Ace American, Enstar/Continental Casualty, CIGNA Re, LDG Re, Praetorian, Reliastar Life, SCOR Re, St. Paul Re and Transatlantic Re (all XOL treaty reinsurers). The write-offs of \$43,789 are for balances due from LDG Re, ING Re/Reliastar Life, and AUL that are not subject to the XOL treaties.

Also included in the total paid loss recoverables (net of premiums payable) are amounts that are in dispute, due from companies in liquidation, or pre-liquidation receivables in the process of reconciliation. The \$8,182,490 in net balance due from reinsurers (net of premiums payable) results from a decrease of \$50,379 from June 30, 2013. This decrease is due to billings of \$5,322,124 offset by collections of \$5,328,715 and write-offs of \$43,789. (See Exhibit D.)

Trustmark owes SNICIL a total amount of \$3,363,501, an increase of \$995,035 from June 30, 2013. The increase is due to billings of \$1,100,000 offset by collections of \$152,000. The majority of the balance is due to disputes in penalty payments, CT claims, undocumented bill review payments and other billing issues.

Enstar/Continental Casualty (formerly Castlewood/Continental Casualty) also owes SNICIL a total amount of \$5.9 million, down by approximately \$600,000, due to collections of \$2.1 million offset by new billings of \$1.5 million. The Liquidator continues to submit billings and supporting documentation to them and is pressing both reinsurers to settle all billed and overdue amounts. The CLO is actively pursuing commutation of two major excess treaties with Enstar, CIGNA Re/Connecticut General Life and CIGNA Re/Life Insurance Co. of North

 America at this time. The Liquidator and Enstar are attempting to resolve the allocation of the treaties' aggregate limits with the other named reinsureds in the treaties. The commutation of these two treaties will significantly reduce the amounts due from these reinsurers.

On April 4, 2014, the Court approved the commutation agreement between Meridian Insurance Company and the Liquidator for \$150,000. On August 19, 2014, the court approved the commutation agreement between Global Re and the Liquidator. Commutation settlement of \$2.5 million was received on August 22, 2014. On August 20, 2014, a commutation proposal was submitted to SCOR Re for their review and approval. Trustmark, LDG Re, St. Paul/Travelers, Praetorian and other excess reinsurers have also expressed their desire to commute their reinsurance obligations to SNICIL. Loss data are currently being reviewed and analyzed by the Liquidator's actuary.

Reinsurers continue to request permission to perform claim audits. Audits by St. Paul/Travelers were completed in the first quarter of 2014.

Exhibit A also shows the aging of the paid loss recoverables (net of premiums payable).

# Exhibit B – Ceded Case Reserves

Exhibit B lists the ceded case reserves as of June 30, 2014 related to each reinsurer's contract with the liquidating companies. These are claims that have been reported to the Liquidator but have not been paid to the claimants and therefore are not yet due from the reinsurers. The total of the ceded case reserves is currently \$88,047,191, which is a decrease of \$554,575 from the amounts due as of June 30, 2013. The reduction is primarily from the Superior National \$4.5M xs \$500K Per Occurrence treaty (\$2.1 million), the Superior National \$3.0M xs \$2.0M Per Person treaty (\$1.3 million) and the Superior Pacific XOL treaties (\$525 thousand), offset by an increase in case reserves of the Superior National Insurance Group \$4M xs \$1M Per Occurrence treaty (\$3.3 million).

# Exhibit C – Ceded IBNR (Incurred But Not Reported Reserves)

This exhibit lists the undiscounted ceded incurred but not reported reserves as of June 30, 2014. The total of the ceded IBNR is currently \$60.6 million, which represents a decrease of \$275,000 from June 30, 2013. The reduction is a result of the commutation of the Meridian

1 Captive Program. 2 The IBNR of \$60.6 million pertains to the XOL treaties, some of which have not had the benefit of an actuarial study since liquidation and therefore, the carried IBNR is outdated and 3 unreliable. The ceded IBNR will be updated as we receive the actuaries' analysis of each program being commuted. 5 III. 6 ARBITRATION AND OTHER MATTERS 7 8 There are no arbitration or other litigation activities to report since the previous report. IV. 9 FINANCIAL REPORT 10 The CLO's Accounting Department has updated its financial statements through June 30. 11 2014, and a copy of the consolidated balance sheet for the SNICIL estates is attached hereto as 12 13 Exhibit E. Secured claims liability balance includes \$6.5 million for the SNTL lien. The financial statements incorporate the results of a December 31, 2010 14 15 PriceWaterhouseCooper's actuarial report commissioned by the Liquidator to review the adequacy of SNICIL reserves and IBNR for workers' compensation claims. 16 The accounting department continues its other projects on an on-going basis, including its 17 estate asset allocations, supporting the billing activities of the reinsurance department, resolving 18 statutory deposits accounts in various jurisdictions and/or recoveries, and the IGA claims data 19 20 reconciliation project. V. 21 22 **CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION** 23 A. Claims Processing 1. Premium and Subrogation Collection Activity 24 As stated in the 2013 Status Report, the Commissioner has discontinued any further 2.5 reporting on this matter due to the extremely insignificant amounts involved. 26 27 /// 28 ///

## 2. Claims Administration

As long as the estate remains open, there is the possibility of requests for late filing of Proof of Claims (see *Middleton v. Imperial Insurance Company* (1983) 34 Cal.3d 134 for criteria allowing such filings). One new claim was reported, a toxic tort type claim involving a Superior National liability policy issued in the 1980's, and no notice had been sent to policyholders extending that far back. The claim is currently being evaluated on the notice issue, and an investigation into the factual aspects will commence if the claim is accepted as a late notice claim.

All other Proof of Claim matters, other than the claims of the insurance guaranty associations ("IGAs"), are resolved, and liabilities should be relatively fixed although there is some volatility in the IGA claim reserves.

The Liquidator has also obtained the Court's order to change the allocation of the Class 2 claim of Tammy Sellers against California Compensation Insurance Company to have the entire claim paid to the claimant.

As the estate approaches closure, the Liquidator seeks to finalize the remaining open claims of IGAs that have paid SNICIL claims. Since the formal resolution of the IGAs' claims involves a discounting of future reserves, the Liquidator generally waits until there is prospect of a relatively imminent closure of the estate before finalizing their claims.

A reconciliation of the remaining IGA claims shows that 47 remain to be processed as follows:

1.	California Compensation	14
2.	Superior National	4
3.	Commercial Compensation	23
4.	Superior Pacific	4
5.	Combined Benefits	2

Depending on the success of concluding reinsurance, the Liquidator projects this estate will be open through at least the end of 2016. Assuming that timeline the Liquidator will plan to accelerate IGA claim processing in the third quarter of 2015.

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# EARLY ACCESS DISTRIBUTION

From the inception of liquidation, the amount of estate assets disbursed through early access distributions total \$1,455,485,445. On September 3, 2014, the Liquidator filed another application for order approval early access distribution seeking approval for the distribution of \$20,405,527 to the IGAs.

### VII.

### CONCLUSION

The Superior National Insurance Companies continue to conduct significant run-off activities, including recovering reinsurance assets, claims administration, estate accounting, reinsurance negotiations and settlements. Moreover, these liquidating companies continue to fulfill a significant goal of collecting and distributing assets to the IGAs, in order to close the gap between the assets of the liquidating companies and their financial obligations. If the Court has questions concerning the contents of this status report, the Liquidator will endeavor to provide answers within a reasonable time.

Dated: September 16, 2014

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# EXHIBIT A

# Exhibit A SUPERIOR NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION Paid Loss Recoverables (Net of Premiums Payable) by Reinsurers June 30, 2014

	TOTAL	< 30 days	30-59 days	60-89 days	90-119 days	120 days and over
A control lands on the				2 22 34,0		and over
Arrowwood Indemnity						
AUL RMS (SF)/American Acc Re	(144)					(144)
AUL RMS UNUM LIFE AM	(323,172)					(323,172)
AUL RMS/American United Life	21,125				•	21,125
AUL RMS/FED INS CHUBB	-					-
Berkley	-					
Berkley/North Star Re	4,490		•			4,490
Blackthorn Re Srvc/Ace American	409,806			26,524		383,282
Captive Reinsurers (Universal Re)	(14,089)					(14,089)
Cigna Re/Connecticut General Life	834,280			39,991		794,289
CIGNA Re/Life Insurance Co. of North Americ	315,960			24,086		291,874
CIGNA*	; <del>-</del>					-
Clarendon	-					
Clearwater	-					
CNA Re/Continental Casualty						-
Continental*	4,813		•			4,813
Coronet/Camelback Re (In Liquidation)	-		N			
Donnelly Skirtich/Continental Assurance	(43)					(43)
Employers Re*	-				•	
Enstar (formerly Castlewood)/Continental Cas	5,922,730			252,996	-	5,669,734
Excess*	49,461					49,461
General Security National	٠ -	,		1		•
Global Re Corp of America	465,364			137,503	7,653	320,207
HartRe (CA)/Hartford Fire	-			•		·
Home (In Liquidation)	<b>-</b> ,					
JEH Re/John Hancock Mutual						
LDG Re Corp-OCR/Workers Comp Alternative	375,564			7,664		367,900
LDG Re SRD/First All Financial	· <u>-</u>			.,		
Life Insurance Company of North America	-					
LDG Re- SRD/Transatlantic	48,401	•	·	4,063		44,339
New England Re*		\$		1,000		44,000
North America*	. <u> </u>					•
North Star Re	_					
Pennsylvania Manufacturers	6,574					6 574
Praetorian	0,514					6,574
Reinsurance Services of Princeton/Amer Unit	(21,165)	-				(04.405)
ReliaStar Life	310					(21,165)
Reliastar Life UK	, 310			*		310
Scandinavian Re	-	**				•
				04.045	•	
Scor Re (IL)	64,245			64,245		
Scor Re*			•			
St Paul Re	- '	- ' -				- '
Swiss Re America Corp	-					
Toa Re	434					434
Transatlantic Re	-	-				
Travelers indemnity*	3,457					3,457
Travelers/Phoenix*	-					
Trustmark	3,363,501	-	129,022	8,066		3,226,412
Underwriters Re	-			•		
United Republic (in Liquidation)	-					
US Life						
Zurich (UK)	-	•				
Total at June 30, 2014	11,531,902	-	129,022	565,139	7.653	10,830,087
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· /	100.00%	0.00%	1.12%	4.90%	0.07%	93.91%
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US Life (In Dispute)	_		_	· _	-	-
Trustmark (In Dispute)	(3,363,501)		(129,022)	(8,066)	. <u>-</u>	(3,226,412)
Home (In Liquidation)	(-,,,)	-	(120,022)	(0,000)	-	(0,220,412)
United Republic (In Liquidation)	_	**	_	_	_	
Coronet (In Liquidation)	-		-			-
Captive Program	14.000					44.000
	14,089	-	<del>-</del>	-	•	14,089
*Pre-liquidation receivables in process of reco	<del>-</del>	-			-	- 44
Net Balance Due at June 20, 2044	9.490.400			EET 070		7.047.75
Net Balance Due at June 30, 2014	8,182,490		-	557,073	7,653	7,617,764
	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	6.81%	0.09%	93.10%

# EXHIBIT B

# Exhibit B SUPERIOR NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION Ceded Case Reserves by Reinsurers June 30, 2014

American Accident Group I American Accident Group II AUL RMS (SF) Fed Ins Chubb AUL RMS (SF) Unum Life American	147,452 147,452 1,182,807
Berkley (formerly Signet) Berkley/North Star Re (formerly North Star Re thru CSMC) Blackthorn Re/Ace American Captive Reinsurers CIGNA	26,170 7,150 9,081,589 490,365
Cigna Re/Connecticut General Life CIGNA Re/Life Insurance Co. of North America Clarendon National Clearwater (formerly Skandia America) CNA Re/Continental Casualty	3,104,402 3,439,996 15,836 6,007
Cologne Re of America Continental ins (formerly Continental Re) Coronet Ins/Camelback Re (in Liq)	3,519 4,319 -
Enstar (formerly Castlewood)/Continental Casualty Excess First Allmerica Financial (LDG Re-SRD) General Security National (formerly Le Mans Re) Global American Re (Constitution Re) Hart/Re (CA)/Hartford Fire (formerly Hartford Fire)	26,487,363 44,026 1,612,919 2,815 1,587,527
Home (in Liquidation)	21,868
Imperial Casualty & Indemnity (commuted)  JEH Re/John Hancock Mutual  Lincoln National Life  New England Re	130,313 31,358
North America North Star Re Partner Re of NY (formerly Winterthur)	32,953 4,363
Pennsylvania Manufacturer's Phoenix Home Life Mutual Praetorian Reliastar Life (Minnesota)	10,250 294,816 758,574 2,413,812
ReliaStar Life (UK) Scor Re Scor Re (IL) Security of Hartford (formerly Orion)	907,154 8,207,639 1,408
St Paul Re Swiss Re America (formerly Buffalo Re) Swiss Re America (formerly North American)	3,635,636 12,317 3,798
Swiss Re America (formerly Underwriters Re) Toa Re of America (formerly Mercantile and Gen Re) Toa Re of America	9,838 9,799 591
Transatlantic Re Transatlantic Re (LDG Re-SRD) Travelers Indemnity	1,386,086 3,439,996 5,119
Travelers/Phoenix Trustmark	20,133 12,406,846
United Republic In Liquidation Workers Comp Alternative Facility/LDG Re Zurich Re (UK) Ltd./Benfield LTD	6,846,180 64,630
Total	88,047,191

# EXHIBIT C

# Exhibit C SUPERIOR NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION Ceded IBNR by Reinsurers June 30, 2014

60,565,924

60,565,924

US Life
All Other Treaties (In Process of Review)

Total at June 30, 2014

# Exhibit D COMPUTATION OF DIFFERENCES IN AMOUNTS OF PAID LOSS RECOVERABLES (NET OF PREMIUM PAYABLES) BETWEEN JUNE 30, 2014 and JUNE 30, 2013

# Paid Loss Recoverables (Net of Premium Payables)

\$ 944,657 Increase in paid loss recoverables (net of premium payables) computed as follows:

New E	Billings	\$ 6,469,387
Comm	nutation	•
Less:	Collections/FH Application/LOC Drawdown	\$ (5,480,940)
	Write-offs/Adjustments	\$ (43,789)
Increa	ise	\$ 944,658

# **Net Balance Due**

\$ (50,379) Decrease in net balance due computed as follows:

New Billings Commutation	\$ 5,322,124
Less: Collections/FH Application/LOC Drawdown	\$ (5,328,715)
Write-offs/Adjustments	\$ (43,789)
Decrease	\$ (50,380)

# EXHIBIT E

# CONSOLIDATED SUPERIOR NATIONAL ESTATES STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES IN LIQUIDATION As of June 30, 2014

17,785,400 116,500 47,900 791,800 4,022,300 20,453,200 51,139,100	11,205,000 229,800 30,200	15,562,300 41,500 322,500	8,170,100	11,125,700	63,848,500
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,086,158,000	36,220,300	897,789,400	230,509,500	140,599,500	3,391,276,700
(894,851,900)	(23,554,800)	(400,110,200)	(40,969,700)	(95,971,800)	(1,455,458,400)
119,346,600	6,667,100	28,723,700	62,365,700	13,754,500	230,857,600
,316,012,100	19,380,500	527,635,200	251,922,700	59,322,000	2,174,272,500
,221,655,900)	(7,177,900)	(454,427,400)	(213,417,700)	(40,091,100)	(1,936,770,000)
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Note 1 Includes \$6.5 million for SNTL lien, down from \$28 million, pursuant to an approved court order dated May 7, 2003.

Note 2 Does not include expenses for final distribution and related closing activities.

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I am employed in the Office of the Attorney General, which is the office of a member of the California State Bar, at which member's direction this service is made. I am 18 years of age or older and not a party to this matter. I am familiar with the business practice at the Office of the Attorney General for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service. In accordance with that practice, correspondence placed in the internal mail collection system at the Office of the Attorney General is deposited with the United States Postal Service with postage thereon fully prepaid that same day in the ordinary course of business.

On <u>September 16, 2014</u>, I served the attached **LIQUIDATOR'S FURTHER STATUS REPORT FOR LEAD CASE** by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope in the internal mail collection system at the Office of the Attorney General at 300 South Spring Street, Suite 1702, Los Angeles, CA 90013, addressed as follows:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on September 16, 2014, at Los Angeles, California.

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Declarant

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