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**CIRCULAR LETTER 1075– JUNE 1, 2006**

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE WISCONSIN GOVERNING COMMITTEE**

TO: MEMBERS OF THE BUREAU

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in the premises of the Wisconsin Compensation Rating Bureau, 20700 Swenson Drive, Waukesha, WI 53186 on Thursday, May 18, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present:

ORGANIZATION

REPRESENTATIVE

ACCIDENT FUND GROUP

- Accident Fund National Insurance Company
- Accident Fund Insurance Company of America
- Accident Fund General Insurance Company
- United Wisconsin Insurance Company

- Emil Pfenninger
- Paul Hingtgen

Acuity A Mutual Insurance Company

Sarah Kemp

AIG COMPANIES

- AIG National Insurance Co Inc
- AIU Insurance Co
- American Home Assurance Co
- American International South
- American International Insurance Co
- Birmingham Fire Insurance Co
- Commerce & Industry Insurance Co
- Granite State Insurance Co
- Illinois National Insurance Co
- Insurance Co of the State of PA
- National Union Fire Insurance - Pittsburgh
- New Hampshire Indemnity Co
- New Hampshire Insurance Co

- Ira Feuerlicht
- Paul Blume

AmComp Assurance Corp.

Debbie Towler

CNA COMPANIES

- American Casualty Company of Reading, PA
- Boston Old Colony Insurance Company
- Commercial Insurance Company of Newark, NJ

Tom Schreiner

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Continental Casualty Company  
Continental Insurance Company  
Fidelity & Casualty Insurance Company of NY  
Firemans Insurance Company of Newark, NJ  
Glens Falls Insurance Company  
Kansas City Fire & Marine Insurance Company  
National-Ben Franklin Insurance Company of IL  
National Fire Insurance Company of Hartford  
Niagra Fire Insurance Company  
Transcontinental Insurance Company  
Transportation Insurance Company  
Valley Forge Insurance Company

**CONTINENTAL WESTERN GROUP**

Clermont Insurance Company  
Continental Western Insurance Company  
Tri State Insurance Company of MN  
Union Insurance Company

Al Utzig

**EMC COMPANIES**

EMCASCO Insurance Company  
Employers Mutual Casualty Company

Mike Lester  
Fred Olson

**GENERAL CASUALTY COMPANIES**

Blue Ridge Indemnity Company  
Blue Ridge Insurance Company  
General Casualty Company of WI  
General Casualty Company of IL  
MassWest Insurance Company  
Regent Insurance Company  
Southern Fire & Casualty Company  
Southern Guaranty Insurance Company  
Southern Pilot Insurance Company

Jim Vandenberg

Integrity Mutual Insurance Company

Gary Anderson

**LIBERTY INSURANCE GROUP**

Consolidated Insurance Company  
Employers Insurance of Wausau, A Mutual Company  
First Liberty Insurance Company  
Hawkeye Security Insurance Company  
Indiana Insurance Company  
LM Insurance Corporation  
Liberty Insurance Corp  
Liberty Insurance Underwriters Company  
Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company  
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
The Midwestern Indemnity Company  
Peerless Indemnity Company  
Peerless Insurance Company

Steve Ginsburg

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The Netherlands Insurance Company  
Wausau Business Insurance Company  
Wausau General Insurance Company  
Wausau Underwriters Insurance Company

**ST. PAUL TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANIES**

Bruce Kaufenberg

Athena Assurance Company  
Automobile Insurance Company of Hartford  
Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company  
Discover Property & Casualty Insurance Company  
Economy Fire & Casualty Company  
Economy Preferred Insurance Company  
Farmington Casualty Company  
Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Company  
Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Underwriters  
Nipponkoa Insurance Company, Ltd  
Phoenix Insurance Company  
St. Paul Fire & Casualty Insurance Company  
St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company  
St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company  
St. Paul Medical Liability Insurance Company  
St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company  
St. Paul Protective Insurance Company  
Seaboard Surety Company  
Select Insurance Company  
Standard Fire Insurance Company  
Travelers Casualty Company of CT  
Travelers Casualty & Surety Company  
Travelers Casualty & Surety of America  
Travelers Casualty Insurance Company of America  
Travelers Commercial Casualty Company  
Travelers Commercial Insurance Company  
Travelers Indemnity Company  
Travelers Indemnity Company of America  
Travelers Indemnity Company of CT  
Travelers Insurance Company  
Travelers Property Casualty Company of America  
United States Fidelity & Guaranty

**SENTRY COMPANIES**

Bill Swarthout  
Ellen Altenburg-Wadel

Dairyland Insurance Company  
Middlesex Insurance Company  
Patriot General Insurance Company  
Sentry Casualty Company  
Sentry Insurance, A Mutual Company  
Sentry Select Insurance Company  
Viking Insurance Company of WI

Society Insurance A Mutual Company

Rick Levin  
Chad Thurn

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West Bend Mutual Insurance Company

Pam Allison  
Scott Carmark

Wisconsin Compensation Rating Bureau

Ralph Herrmann  
Richard Colvin  
Christine Siekierski  
Nancy Kierzek  
Tad Cleveland  
Donna Knepper

(To obtain a complete listing of Bureau members, please see the Wisconsin Compensation Rating Bureau 2005 Annual Report.)

Also Present:

Allied Construction Employers Association  
Milliman USA  
Office of the Commissioner of Insurance  
Riegel Law, S.C.

Ed Hayden  
Gary Josephson  
Laura Andreasson  
Paul Riegel

Also Present for Part of Meeting:

FIREMANS FUND INSURANCE COMPANIES  
American Automobile Insurance Company  
American Insurance Company  
Associated Indemnity Corporation  
Fireman's Fund Insurance Company  
Fireman's Fund Insurance Company of WI  
National Surety Corporation  
Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce

Kurtis Patterson  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
John Metcalf

The Chairperson read the following opening statement before convening the meeting:

“This Committee meeting has been called to discuss the items of mutual interest and concern to the members of the Wisconsin Compensation Rating Bureau. In accordance with both Federal and Wisconsin State Anti-trust Laws, this Committee is prohibited from any discussion or action which constitutes any form of boycott, coercion, or intimidation.”

1. Mr. Ralph Herrmann, President of the Wisconsin Compensation Rating Bureau, was advised that a quorum was established, and the meeting was declared open for business.
2. The reading of the minutes for the last Annual Meeting was waived, and the minutes were approved as published.
3. The next order of business was the submission of the President's report for the 2005 business year. Each member present was furnished with a copy of the 2005 Annual Report. Mr. Herrmann commented on portions of the Annual Report.

Mr. Herrmann's summary included:

- Web site enhancements
- Filling of two staffing vacancies
- Appeal of a Rating Committee hearing decision to the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance
- 2005 rate revision
- Significant increase in the number of endorsements processed, mainly due to changes in the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act (TRIA)
- Decrease in the total number of inspections performed due to staffing issues
- Introduction of the Business Operations Report process for on-line inspections
- New exhibits providing compliance detail
- Slight decrease in the number of new applications received in the WWCIP; 6.7% decline in premium
- WCRB in-house records imaging system
- WCRB membership activity
- Review of the WCRB income and expenditures
- Continued decline in the overall operating expense ratio

Mr. Herrmann expressed his appreciation to the entire membership for their continued support, and specifically thanked all members of the Governing Committee, Rating Committee, Pool Committee, and the several subcommittees for their commitment and hard work during 2005. He also acknowledged the assistance and cooperation of the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, the Department of Workforce Development, and the members of his staff for their dedication efforts.

4. The next order of business was the election of companies to fill the vacancies of retiring committee members on both the Governing Committee and the Rating Committee. President Herrmann directed that the representatives of the stock and non-stock companies caucus separately for this purpose. Upon adjournment of the caucuses, the spokesperson for the stock and non-stock companies advised that the following companies had been elected to the Governing Committee and Rating Committee:

GOVERNING COMMITTEE

Sentry Insurance A Mutual Company  
Travelers Insurance Company

RATING COMMITTEE

American Home Assurance Company  
Society Insurance A Mutual Company

The Wisconsin Committees are now comprised of the following companies:

GOVERNING COMMITTEE

American Home Assurance Company  
Employers Insurance of Wausau  
Fireman's Fund Insurance Company  
General Casualty Insurance Company  
Secura Insurance A Mutual Company  
Sentry Insurance A Mutual Company  
Society Insurance, A Mutual Company  
Travelers Insurance Company

RATING COMMITTEE

American Home Assurance Company  
Employers Insurance of Wausau A Mutual Company  
Employers Mutual Casualty Company  
General Casualty Insurance Company  
Ed Hayden (Employer Representative)  
John Metcalf (Employer Representative)  
Sentry Insurance, A Mutual Company  
Society Insurance, A Mutual Company  
Travelers Insurance Company  
United Wisconsin Insurance Company

5. The non-stock companies elected Sentry Insurance, A Mutual Company to Chair the Governing Committee; the stock companies elected General Casualty Insurance Company to Chair the Rating Committee and Travelers Insurance Company to be Vice-Chair of the Governing Committee.
6. There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned.

Donna Knepper  
Executive Secretary