CIRCULAR LETTER

TO : ALL NON-LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT : OFF-SITE EXAMINATION ON THE UNDERWRITING AND RATING PRACTICES OF NON-LIFE COMPANIES

WHEREAS, the Corona Disease 2019 (COVID-19) has spread in different parts of the world, including the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has recently characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, the IATF approved the Omnibus Guidelines on the implementation of the Community Quarantine in the Philippines and the zoning concept and corresponding qualification and its phased response for intervention;

WHEREAS, Section 253 of the Amended Insurance Code provides:

"The Commissioner shall at least once a year and whenever he considers the public interest so demands, cause an examination to be made into the affairs, financial condition and method of doing business of every insurance company authorized to transact business in the Philippines and of any other person, firm or corporation managing the affairs and/or property of such insurance company. Such company, as well as such managing person, firm or corporation, shall submit to the examiner all such books, papers and securities as he may require and such examiner shall also have the power to examine the officers of such company under oath touching its business and financial condition, and the authority to transact business in the Philippines of any such company shall be suspended by the Commissioner if such examination is refused and such company shall not thereafter be allowed to transact further business in the Philippines until it has fully complied with the provisions of this section xxx";
WHEREAS, Section 328 of the Amended Insurance Code Provides:
"Every non-life insurance company doing business in the Philippines must maintain at all times a register of risks accepted and a claims register for each line of risks engaged in by such non-life insurance company with such entries therein as are now or as may hereafter be required by the Commissioner, xxx";

WHEREAS, submission of Annual Report on the Fire and Motor Car Policies and Bonds Issued in compliance with IC Circular Letter No. 2019-73, was further extended to 31 December 2020 by Advisory No 14-2020;

WHEREAS, the Data Privacy Act of 2012 mandates the National Privacy Commission (NPC) to monitor and ensure compliance of the country with international standards set for data protection;

WHEREAS, Rule II, Section 8 - Encryption of Personal Data of NPC Circular 16-01 and the IC's Cybersecurity Resilience Program sets the standards for data encryption for uploaded/submitted reports;

WHEREAS, Section 437 item (o) of the Amended Insurance Code authorizes the Commissioner to fix and assess fees, charges and penalties in the exercise of regulation, and Circular Letter No. 2015-14 dated 15 May 2014 prescribes the Fees and Charges;

WHEREAS, an IC Rating Online Submission Portal is in place for uploading of company reports;

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of all the foregoing and pursuant to the authority of the Insurance Commissioner under Section 437 of the Insurance Code, as amended by RA No. 10607, an off-site examination into the affairs and methods of doing business, particularly on the underwriting and rating practices, will be conducted to all non-life insurance companies under the following guidelines:

1. Online Submission

1.1 All Non-life insurance companies shall submit to this Commission the requirements listed in Annex A through online submission.

1.2 All submissions should be encrypted and uploaded into the IC Rating Online Submission System through the link https://onlinesubmission.insurance.gov.ph/rating/login

1.3 Each company shall designate at least two (2) point persons, who will be responsible for the online submission of all the required documents.
1.4 The online submission system users, shall be required to register by submitting an application form to the Rating Division of this Commission.

1.5 Copy of issued policies and bonds which may be required for further verification shall likewise be uploaded after the initial verification process of premium registers. This will be communicated by the assigned examiner to the company’s designated point persons.

2. Report Templates

2.1 All non-life companies shall submit Items No. 1 to 4 of Annex A using the report templates herein attached as:

a. Production/Risk Register Template – Production/Risk Registers for Fire, Motor Car and Surety Business for the period under examination
b. Template A – Certification of the Total No. of in-force policies and bonds for the period under examination
c. Template B – Schedule of top fifty (50) policies issued with natural perils cover i.e. EQ, TYP, FLD, etc. indicating the rates applied and its breakdown
d. Template C – Schedule of ten (10) highest single risk issued for every line of business indicating the company’s retention and pertinent reinsurance distribution

2.2 Reports on Production/Risk Register for Fire, Motor Car and Bond must be in Excel file and filled-up accurately and in accordance with the following:

a. Dates must be in this format, MM/DD/YYYY;
b. No data fields should be left unfilled otherwise indicate “None” if not available or “NA” if not applicable; and
c. Must be “Certified Correct” by an accountable officer of the company;

2.3 Companies who have submitted the Annual Report on Fire and Motor Car Policies and Bonds issued in 2019 in compliance with IC Circular Letter No. 2019-73 are no longer required to submit the production/risk registers, Item No. 1 of Annex A.

3. Coverage Period of Examination

3.1 This off-site examination shall cover the succeeding month of the last rating examination of the company up to 31 December 2019.
4. Date of Submission

4.1 Submission of the name and contact information of the company's designated point persons and application form of the online system user shall be through email to rating@insurance.gov.ph not later than **15 August 2020**.

4.2 Online submission of all the requirements listed in Annex A shall be on or before **31 August 2020**.

4.3 The IC Rating Online Submission System shall be open for uploading ten (10) working days prior to the set deadline and shall be closed at the end of business day of the deadline. Access to the online submission system for uploading shall be by request after the set deadline.

5. Penalties

5.1 Late submission shall be subject to a penalty of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) for each day of delay and Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00) per item for wrong data entry of material information in the required documents.

6. Separability Clause

6.1 If any provision of this Circular shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

7. Effectivity

7.1 This Circular Letter shall take effect immediately.

[Signature]
DENNIS B. FUNA
Insurance Commissioner
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