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CIRCULAR LETTER

TO : ALL INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE COMPANIES, MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATIONS (MBAs), PRE-NEED COMPANIES, HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS (HMOs), AND OTHER CONCERNED PARTIES

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES STRENGTHENING TYPHOON “ULYSSES”-RELATED CLAIMS MANAGEMENT POLICIES

WHEREAS, Typhoon “Ulysses”, a Category-4 equivalent typhoon with the international name “Vamco”, made its first landfall on Patnanungan, Quezon Province on 11 November 2020 and later continued to hit various parts of Luzon;

WHEREAS, it was noted that Typhoon “Ulysses” has claimed the lives of at least thirty-two (32) people as of 14 November 2020¹; and caused approximately ₱4.25 billion (US\$ 88.3 million) of infrastructure damage so far²;

WHEREAS, this Commission recognizes that the damage and/or loss to life and property resulting from the onslaught of Typhoon “Ulysses” may give rise to claims against insurance and reinsurance companies, mutual benefit associations (MBAs), pre-need companies, and/or health maintenance organizations (HMOs) regulated by this Commission;

WHEREAS, this Commission thus finds the need to prescribe guidelines that will aid in the facilitation of the immediate processing and/or payment of such Typhoon “Ulysses”-related claims against said regulated entities;

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of all the foregoing and in accordance with the undersigned’s powers under Section 437 of the Insurance Code of the Philippines, as amended by Republic Act No. 10607; Section 6 of Republic Act No. 9829, otherwise known as the Pre-Need Code of the Philippines; and Section 4 of Executive Order No.

¹ CNN Philippines Staff (14 November 2020). “NDRRMC: Ulysses death count rises to 32”. Retrieved from “<https://cnnphilippines.com/news/2020/11/14/Ulysses-death-count-.html>”.

² Aguilar, K. (13 November 2020). “Typhoon Ulysses leaves P4.25-B damage to infrastructure – DPWH” Retrieved from “<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1360146/ulysses-leaves-p4-25-b-damage-to-infra-dpwh>”.