

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS

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FINANCIAL CONDITION (E) COMMITTEE

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4:00 – 5:00 p.m. ET / 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. CT / 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. MT / 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. PT

ROLL CALL

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AGENDA

1. Consider Adoption of a Pre-Receivership MOU from the Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force—Commissioner James J. Donelon (LA)

- 3. Any Other Matters
- 4. Adjournment

BACKGROUND OF THE

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

When a property & casualty insurer is liquidated, our regulatory system mitigates the adverse effects on policyholders and claimants through the state insurance resolution system. This system includes the coordinated management of the liquidation and wind down of the insurance company, in accordance with the state's receivership laws, and the payment of statutorily defined "covered claims" by the state guaranty fund system. In today's technological world, the insurance financial regulators, insurance receivers and the guaranty funds need advance planning for the transition from a troubled insurance company to liquidation.

This model Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is flexible and can be tailored the individual state insurance department and the specific troubled property and casualty insurer situation.

The MOU is intended to be used to facilitate transitional planning and preparation, starting when a troubled property and casualty insurer faces a material risk of being liquidated as insolvent¹. Such a liquidation creates various obligations for the insurance receiver and triggers the guaranty funds' statutory duties to pay "covered claims." One goal of this transitional planning is to ensure that the guaranty funds are prepared and have the appropriate information necessary to assume their statutory duties to protect policy claimants promptly upon liquidation. Another important goal of this early estate planning process is to facilitate the receiver's duties upon liquidation, which include transition of claims to the guaranty funds, marshalling the remaining company assets and resolving claims against the insurer.

This planning process necessarily involves the sharing of confidential information about the troubled company that is protected by statutory confidentiality and privilege provisions. The parties sharing such information intend that it stay confidential and privileged and that no such protection be waived. This MOU is intended to document an agreement to that effect. The parties are the (1) Commissioner, (2) the insurance receiver if appointed (and who may be added later) or a standing insurance receivership office, if applicable, (3) the potentially triggered guaranty funds, and (4) the National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds ("NCIGF"). If separate from a state's receivership office, the state's insurance financial regulatory office could also be a party to the MOU, as the MOU can be tailored to the specific state.

The MOU provides that all non-public planning information provided to the guaranty funds under it shall be kept confidential, with the protective mechanism to maintain confidentiality spelled out. Specifically, confidential information initially may only to be shared with NCIGF and guaranty fund staff, agents, and counsel and, importantly, may only be used for purposes of planning for liquidation of the troubled company. Confidential information will not be shared with industry representatives who sit on or participate in a guaranty fund's Board of Directors until such time as the information is necessary for the Board to discharge statutory duties or consider or take for official action. Confidential information received by the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to its examination authority, which based upon NAIC

¹ This model MOU is intended for use with only property and casualty receiverships. Life and health guaranty associations utilize confidentiality, and joint and common interest agreements, to gain access to information in the event of receivership, when necessary.

² See https://www.ncigf.org/. In general, the legal relationships between the troubled company and the regulatory authorities will be governed comprehensively by appropriate statutes and regulations in the state insurance code, thus generally there is no need for the troubled company be a party to the MOU. There may be, however, considerations in particular cases where it would be prudent to add the troubled company as a party, particularly if slow or incomplete compliance with disclosure and reporting requirements are an issue. For example, additional enforcement mechanisms could be added and troubled company cooperation with the prospective receiver and the guaranty funds could be spelled out in more detail.

Model 390 typically is "confidential by law and privileged, shall not be subject to [insert open records, freedom of information, sunshine or other appropriate phrase], shall not be subject to subpoena, and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action," is as shared agreed to retain such privileged status, particularly given the common interest of the parties in the MOU in facilitating the prospective liquidation proceedings and the insurance resolution mechanism. As further protection for the privileged status of such confidential information, the guaranty funds are obligated under the MOU to defend against any attempt to discover any confidential or privileged information shared with them and to notify the other parties to the MOU of discovery or disclosure request.

The proposed MOU is a template that contains the essential terms of a confidential information sharing agreement and can easily be customized to address specific issues that may arise in the course of addressing troubled company concerns and in planning for liquidation.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is among the [state] Department of Insurance ("DOI"), the [Receiver of the insolvent company – if appointed] and the [guaranty fund in the state of domicile of the troubled company, the other insurance guaranty funds which have executed this agreement (collectively "Guaranty Funds") and the National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds.(NCIGF)

Definitions:

- 1.1 "Agreement" or "MOU" refers to this Memorandum of Understanding;
- 1.2 "Confidential Information" refers to any:
 - a) documents, data or other information relating to any domestic insurance company in the State of [state] where the Commissioner has determined that the financial condition of such company creates a material risk of Liquidation that are not publicly available or public records, whether written or not, including but not limited to claims files and data; financial analyses, modeling and projections; trade secrets, technical processes and know-how; agency agreements, arrangements, accounts, proposals, lists, and other information; policyholder lists and information; costs and pricing information; internal procedures, strategies and plans; and computer programs;
 - work product or other information regarding any such Company that is confidential and/or privileged;
 - c) communications between the Parties regarding any potential or pending legal actions involving any such company that is a threat to such companies' solvency; and
 - d) specifically contemplates information received by the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to its examination authority [insert state adoption of NAIC Model Law 390], which is "confidential by law confidential by law and privileged, shall not be subject to [insert open records, freedom of information, sunshine or other appropriate phrase], shall not be subject to subpoena, and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action."
- "Evaluation Material" refers to all information, oral or written, including but not limited to Confidential Information as defined herein, that is furnished to Guaranty Funds or NCIGF under the terms of this Agreement, and all analyses, compilations, studies, or other materials prepared by Guaranty Funds or NCIGF containing or based in whole or in part upon such information. "Evaluation Material" includes but is not limited to information on the financial condition of the company, information data systems utilized and condition of the data, location of data files, involved third party administrators, UDS test files that may be created, policy forms especially those for unique or complex lines of business, company organization charts, claims counts and liability amounts by line and by state, and lists of cases in trial, attorney contacts and any other information appropriate to enable the Guaranty Funds to fulfill their statutory duties upon liquidation. This material shall be updated from time to time as appropriate.
- 1.4 "Company or Companies" refers to any domestic property and casualty insurance company in the

- State of [state]where the Commissioner has determined the financial condition of such company creates a material risk of Liquidation.
- 1.5 "Commissioner" refers to the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of [state].
- 1.6 "Party" and "Parties" refer to the Commissioner, the Receiver, if appointed, the signatory Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF.
- 1.7 "Receivership Court" refers to the [court with jurisdiction over the receivership]
- 1.8 "Receivership" refers to the rehabilitation or liquidation of any domestic insurance company in the State of [state].
- 1.9 "Receiver" refers to [name of deputy receiver if appointed] or any of his or her successors.
- 1.10 "Covered Claim" shall have the same meaning as contained in the applicable statutes of the Guaranty Funds.

II. Recitals

- 2.1 The Commissioner is responsible for the financial regulation of Companies. From time-to-time the financial condition of one or more of such Companies creates a material risk of Liquidation.
- 2.2 Should a Receivership occur of a Company, the Commissioner may appoint a special deputy receiver who will be responsible for the handling of such Receivership.
- 2.3 If the Receivership of a Company includes an order of liquidation with a finding of insolvency or if other statutory requirements are met, the Guaranty Funds will have the responsibility for the payment of "Covered Claims" arising from such Receivership.
- 2.4 The Parties agree that in order to properly prepare for any Receivership, to provide for a smooth transition to liquidation should it become required, and in order to avoid delay in the payment of "Covered Claims," it is essential to share Confidential Information among them with respect to any Company the Commissioner determines is at material risk of Liquidation.
- 2.5 It is agreed by the Parties that, subject to the Commissioner's discretion, the Commissioner can freely consult with the Receiver (if appointed), the Guaranty Funds, and NCIGF, with respect to any Company, including but not limited to, the dissemination of Confidential Information and Evaluation Material as defined herein. It is understood that such consultations are to be held in strictest confidence and the Commissioner may, in his or her discretion, withhold the name of the Company being discussed from the Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF.
- The Guaranty Funds have determined that in order to protect consumers and to better fulfill their mission (see cite to applicable Guaranty Funds' statutes) it is necessary and proper for them to enter into this Agreement and likewise it is necessary and proper for the NCIGF, as a membership organization that supports the Guaranty Funds in their mission, to enter into this Agreement. The DOI and Receiver have determined that this Agreement enables them to better serve the insurance consumers in [involved states] and to better protect them from the adverse consequences of a Company liquidation.

III. Use and Treatment of Evaluation Material

- 3.1 Subject to the terms of this Agreement, the Commissioner and Receiver will grant the Guaranty Funds and NCIGF access to Evaluation Material as they determine is appropriate. The Evaluation Material shall be used by the Guaranty Funds and NCIGF to determine potential obligations of the Guaranty Funds, prepare for the possible assumption of such obligations, and to perform such statutory obligations in the event they become obligated to pay "Covered Claims" under policies of insurance issued by a Company. The Guaranty Funds and NCIGF shall be allowed to copy such Evaluation Material for their own use consistent with the terms of this Agreement.
- 3.2 The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF agree to maintain the confidentiality of all Evaluation Material provided to them, and of any privileges with respect to such information. The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF agree not to disclose any Evaluation Material to any person or entity, except as expressly provided herein.
- 3.3 The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF may share Evaluation Material with their respective counsel, consultants or agents as they deem necessary, provided that such persons agree to comply with terms of this Agreement, including but not limited to the remedies provided under Part IV. In the event of a breach of this Agreement by any person to whom Evaluation Material has been provided, the Party or Parties providing such information shall also remain liable for the breach.
- 3.4 The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF agree that no Evaluation Material shall be provided to any insurance companies or the owners, directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, or affiliates of any insurance companies, except as necessary to discharge statutory duties, for official action or consideration by the Board of Directors.
- 3.5 In the event that the Guaranty Funds or the NCIGF are served with process seeking the production of Evaluation Material, including but not limited to a subpoena or order of a court of competent jurisdiction, an investigation by a government entity, or discovery demand issued in connection with any action, the Guaranty Funds and NCIGF, as appropriate, shall notify the Commissioner and Receiver in writing as promptly as practicable. The Guaranty Funds and NCIGF, as appropriate, shall take reasonable actions to protect the confidentiality and, if applicable, the privileged status of such information, unless otherwise requested by the Commissioner or the Receiver. If a protective order or other remedy is not obtained prior to the date that compliance with the request is legally required, the Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF, as appropriate, will furnish only that portion of the Evaluation Material or take only such action as is legally required.

IV. Remedies

- 4.1 The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF agree that money damages would not be a sufficient remedy for a breach of this Agreement, and that the Commissioner or Receiver shall be entitled to equitable relief, including injunctive relief, as a remedy for such breach. Such remedy shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity, and shall not be deemed the exclusive remedy for a breach of this Agreement. Any action to enforce this Agreement shall be brought in the [appropriate court for the proceeding].
- 4.2 In the event of an action alleging a breach of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reimbursement for its reasonable attorney's fees. Any attorney's fees awarded to the Guaranty

Funds or the NCIGF shall be handled as an administrative expense in the proceeding, subject to [cite to applicable law]. Any attorney's fees awarded to the Commissioner or Receiver shall be paid from the Guaranty funds and NCIGF's funds, and shall not be submitted as a claim in the proceeding.

- 4.3 No failure or delay by any Party in exercising any right, power or privilege shall operate as a waiver thereof. Any exercise of a right, power or privilege shall not be considered to preclude any other or further exercise thereof.
- There shall be no liability on the part of the Commissioner or Receiver or the Company(ies) to the Guaranty Funds or NCIGF relating to or arising from the Evaluation Material or any other documents, material, information or communications provided under this Agreement.

V. Warranties and Representations

- 5.1 The Commissioner, the Guaranty Funds, and the NCIGF to the extent consistent with their statutory and other obligations, shall in good faith cooperate and communicate promptly with each other with respect to the performance of their duties under this Agreement.
- 5.2 The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF represent that they have the authority to enter into this Agreement and fulfill their obligations under this Agreement.
- 5.3 Each undersigned person represents that he or she is authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of the Party he or she represents.
- 5.4 The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF understand and acknowledge that the Commissioner or Receiver makes no representations or warranties as to the accuracy or completeness of any Evaluation Material provided under this Agreement.
- 5.5 The Guaranty Funds and NCIGF understand and acknowledge that the Evaluation Material may include information furnished by consultants, access to which will require additional agreements with such consultants.

VI. Termination

- 6.1 This Agreement may be terminated at any time by agreement among the Parties or by any single Party in writing with 30 days' notice, provided that all Evaluation Material obtained prior to such termination shall remain confidential, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, and except as otherwise provided by law. Further, this Agreement shall be terminated upon a determination in writing by the Commissioner or the Receiver that the Company no longer presents a material risk of Liquidation.
- 6.2 The Guaranty Funds and the NCIGF are permitted to use Evaluation Material in the manner and for purposes described herein until delivery by the Receiver or Commissioner of a written notice specifying the date of termination of this Agreement. Upon a liquidation order wherein one or more Guaranty Funds are triggered this Agreement shall terminate in all respects without the obligation to destroy Evaluation material or maintain it as confidential.

6.3 Except as provided in Paragraph 6.2, in the event of a termination of this Agreement, the Guaranty Funds and NCIGF shall immediately undertake to destroy all Evaluation Materials, and all copies, summaries, analyses and notes of the contents or parts thereof, and shall provide an affidavit attesting to the destruction of all such Evaluation Materials being provided to the Receiver, if appointed, and the Commissioner within 30 days after termination, and no part thereof shall be retained by the Guaranty Funds or NCIGF in any form without the prior written consent of the Commissioner or Receiver.

VII. Miscellaneous Provisions

- 7.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to create an attorney-client relationship between any Party's counsel and any other Party.
- 7.2 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of [state of domicile of the insolvency].
- 7.3 This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original for all purposes, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 7.4 This Agreement shall be effective upon the date signed by each party and shall also apply to any and all Evaluation Material that has previously been shared between the Parties.
- 7.5 All communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be sent by email to the addresses specified below. A copy of any such notice shall also be personally delivered or sent by either first class registered or certified U.S. Mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or by a bonded mail delivery service, to the address set out below:

The Commissioner:

The Receiver:

[name, address, phone, email address]

[name, address, phone, email address]

Guaranty Funds:

[list of contact information for signatory funds]

7.6 The Parties agree to meet periodically, at least annually, to discuss issues arising under this Agreement and its implementation with respect to any specific Company.

[SIGNATURES OF PARTIES ON FOLLOWING PAGES]

Separate signature pages may be appropriate.

| | N WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement on this day of, 2019: |
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| Commiss | ioner |
| By: _ Its: _ Date: _ | |
| Receiver By: _ Its: _ Date: _ | (if appointed) |
| NCIGF: | |
| By: _ Its: _ Date: _ Guaranty | r Fund: |

Adopted by the Executive (EX) Committee and Plenary, _____, _____, Adopted by the Financial Condition (E) Committee, Nov. 15, 2022

2023 Proposed Charges

FINANCIAL CONDITION (E) COMMITTEE

The mission of the Financial Condition (E) Committee is to be the central forum and coordinator of solvency-related considerations of the NAIC relating to accounting practices and procedures; blanks; valuation of securities; financial analysis and solvency; multistate examinations and examiner and analysis training; and issues concerning insurer insolvencies and insolvency guarantees. In addition, the Committee interacts with the technical task forces.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Financial Condition (E) Committee will:

- A. Monitor all of the changes to the annual/quarterly financial statement blanks and instructions, risk-based capital (RBC) formulas, Financial Condition Examiners Handbook, Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual (AP&P Manual), Financial Analysis Handbook, Purposes and Procedures Manual of the NAIC Investment Analysis Office (P&P Manual), NAIC model laws, NAIC accreditation standards, and other NAIC publications.
- B. Appoint and oversee the activities of the following: Accounting Practices and Procedures (E) Task Force; Capital Adequacy (E) Task Force; Examination Oversight (E) Task Force; Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force; Reinsurance (E) Task Force; Risk Retention Group (E) Task Force; and Valuation of Securities (E) Task Force.
- C. Oversee a process to address financial issues that may compromise the consistency and uniformity of the U.S. solvency framework, referring valuation and other issues to the appropriate committees as needed.
- D. Use the Risk-Focused Surveillance (E) Working Group to address specific industry concerns regarding regulatory redundancy, and review any issues that industry subsequently escalates to the Committee.

2. The Financial Analysis (E) Working Group will:

- A. Analyze nationally significant insurers and groups that exhibit characteristics of trending toward or being financially troubled; determine if appropriate action is being taken.
- B. Interact with domiciliary regulators and lead states to assist and advise as to what might be the most appropriate regulatory strategies, methods, and action(s).
- C. Support, encourage, promote, and coordinate multistate efforts in addressing solvency problems, including identifying adverse industry trends.
- D. Increase information-sharing and coordination between state insurance regulators and federal authorities, including through representation of state insurance regulators in national bodies with responsibilities for system-wide oversight.

3. The Group Capital Calculation (E) Working Group will:

- A. Continually review and monitor the effectiveness of the group capital calculation (GCC), and consider revisions, as necessary, to maintain the effectiveness of its objective under the U.S. solvency system.
- B. Liaise, as necessary, with the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee on international group capital developments, and consider input from participation of U.S. state insurance regulators in the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) monitoring process.

FINANCIAL CONDITION (E) COMMITTEE (continued)

4. The Group Solvency Issues (E) Working Group will:

- A. Continue to develop potential enhancements to the current regulatory solvency system as it relates to group solvency-related issues.
- B. Critically review and provide input and drafting to the IAIS Insurance Groups Working Group on other IAIS material dealing with group supervision issues.
- C. Continually review and monitor the effectiveness of the *Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act* (#440) and the *Insurance Holding Company System Model Regulation with Reporting Forms and Instructions* (#450), and consider revisions, as necessary, to maintain effective oversight of insurance groups.
- 5. The **Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA) Implementation (E) Subgroup** of the Group Solvency Issues (E) Working Group will:
 - A. Continue to provide and enhance an enterprise risk management (ERM) education program for state insurance regulators in support of the ORSA implementation.
 - B. Continually review and monitor the effectiveness of the *Risk Management and Own Risk and Solvency Assessment Model Act* (#505) and its corresponding *NAIC Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA) Guidance Manual* (ORSA Guidance Manual); consider revisions as necessary.

6. The Mortgage Guaranty Insurance (E) Working Group will:

A. Develop changes to the *Mortgage Guaranty Insurance Model Act* (#630) and other areas of the solvency regulation of mortgage guaranty insurers, including, but not limited to, revisions to *Statement of Statutory Accounting Principles (SSAP) No. 58—Mortgage Guaranty Insurance,* and develop an extensive mortgage guaranty supplemental filing. Finalize Model #630 by the 20232022 Spring National Meeting.

7. The Mutual Recognition of Jurisdictions (E) Working Group will:

- A. Oversee the process for evaluating jurisdictions, and maintain a listing of jurisdictions that meet the NAIC requirements for recognizing and accepting the NAIC GCC.
- B. Maintain the NAIC List of Qualified Jurisdictions and the NAIC List of Reciprocal Jurisdictions in accordance with the Process for Evaluating Qualified and Reciprocal Jurisdictions.

8. The NAIC/American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) (E) Working Group will:

- A. Continually review the *Annual Financial Reporting Model Regulation* (#205) and its corresponding implementation guide; revise as appropriate.
- B. Address financial solvency issues by working with the AICPA and responding to AICPA exposure drafts.
- C. Monitor the federal Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) Act of 2002, as well as rules and regulations promulgated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB), and other financial services regulatory entities.
- D. Review annually the premium threshold amount included in Section 16 of Model #205, with the general intent that those insurers subject to the Section 16 requirements would capture at least approximately 90% of industry premium and/or in response to any future regulatory or market developments.

FINANCIAL CONDITION (E) COMMITTEE (continued)

9. The National Treatment and Coordination (E) Working Group will:

- A. Increase utilization and implementation of the Company Licensing Best Practices Handbook.
- B. Encourage synergies between corporate changes/amendments and rate and form filing review and approval to improve efficiency.
- C. Continue to monitor the usage and make necessary enhancements to the Form A Database.
- D. Maintain educational courses in the existing NAIC Insurance Regulator Professional Designation Program for company licensing regulators.
- E. Make necessary enhancements to promote electronic submission of all company licensing applications.

10. The Restructuring Mechanisms (E) Working Group will:

- A. Evaluate and prepare a white paper that:
 - Addresses the perceived need for restructuring statutes and the issues those statutes are designed to remedy. Also, consider alternatives that insurers are currently employing to achieve similar results.
 - ii. Summarizes the existing state restructuring statutes.
 - iii. Addresses the legal issues posed by an order of a court (or approval by an insurance department) in one state affecting the policyholders of other states.
 - iv. Considers the impact that a restructuring might have on guaranty associations and policyholders that had guaranty fund protection prior to the restructuring.
 - v. Identifies and addresses the legal issues associated with restructuring using a protected cell.
- B. Consider requesting approval from the Executive (EX) Committee on developing changes to specific NAIC models as a result of findings from the development of the white paper.

11. The Restructuring Mechanisms (E) Subgroup of the Restructuring Mechanisms (E) Working Group will:

- A. Develop best practices to be used in considering the approval of proposed restructuring transactions, including, among other things, the expected level of reserves and capital expected after the transfer, along with the adequacy of long-term liquidity needs. Also, develop best practices to be used in monitoring the companies after the transaction is completed. Once completed, recommend to the Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation (F) Committee for its consideration.
- B. Consider the need to make changes to the RBC formula to better assess the minimum surplus requirements for companies in runoff.
- C. Review the various restructuring mechanisms, and develop, if deemed needed, accounting and reporting requirements for referring to the Statutory Accounting Principles (E) Working Group.

12. The Risk-Focused Surveillance (E) Working Group will:

- A. Continually review the effectiveness of risk-focused surveillance, and develop enhancements to processes as necessary.
- B. Continually review regulatory redundancy issues identified by interested parties, and provide recommendations to other NAIC committee groups to address as needed.
- C. Oversee and monitor the Peer Review Program to encourage consistent and effective risk-focused surveillance processes.
- D. Continually maintain and update standardized job descriptions/requirements and salary range recommendations for common solvency monitoring positions to assist insurance departments in attracting and maintaining suitable staff.

FINANCIAL CONDITION (E) COMMITTEE (continued)

13. The Valuation Analysis (E) Working Group will:

- A. Respond to states in a confidential forum regarding questions and issues arising during the course of annual principle- based reserving (PBR) reviews or PBR examination, which also may include consideration of asset adequacy analysis questions and issues.
- B.A. Work with NAIC resources to assist in prioritizing and responding to issues and questions regarding principle-based reserves (PBR) and asset adequacy analysis, including actuarial guidelines or other requirements making use of or relating to PBR, such as Actuarial Guideline XXXVIII—The Application of the Valuation of Life Insurance Policies Model Regulation (AG 38), Actuarial Guideline XLVIII—Actuarial Opinion and Memorandum Requirements for the Reinsurance of Policies Required to be Valued Under Sections 6 and 7 of the NAIC Valuation of Life Insurance Policies Model Regulation (AG 48), and the Term and Universal Life Insurance Reserve Financing Model Regulation (#787).
- <u>B.</u> Develop and implement a plan with NAIC resources to identify outliers/concerns regarding PBR/asset adequacy analysis to coordinate PBR reviews/examinations, and provide a confidential forum to address questions and issues.
- C. Review, on a targeted basis, asset adequacy analysis filings for *Actuarial Guideline LIII—Application of the Valuation Manual for Testing the Adequacy of Life Insurer Reserves* (AG 53), and coordinate with states as appropriate.
- E.D. Review, on a targeted basis, long-term care (LTC) reserve adequacy filings for Actuarial Guideline

 LI—The Application of Asset Adequacy Testing to Long-Term Care Insurance Reserves (AG 51), and coordinate with states as appropriate.
- D.E. Refer questions/issues, as appropriate, to the Life Actuarial (A) Task Force that may require consideration of changes/interpretations to be provided in the *Valuation Manual* or related actuarial guidelines.
- E.F. Assist NAIC resources in the <u>development</u> <u>use</u> of a standard asset/liability model portfolio used to <u>calibrate company PBR models</u> models and other analytical tools to support the review of PBR/asset adequacy analysis.
- F.G. Make referrals, as appropriate, to the Financial Analysis (E) Working Group.
- G.H. Perform other work to carry out the Valuation Analysis (E) Working Group procedures.

NAIC Support Staff: Dan Daveline/Julie Gann/Bruce Jenson

Adopted by the Accounting Practices and Procedures (E) Task Force, Aug. 11, 2022

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ACCOUNTING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Accounting Practices and Procedures (E) Task Force is to identify, investigate, and develop solutions to accounting problems with the ultimate goal of guiding insurers in properly accounting for various aspects of their operations; modify the *Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual* (AP&P Manual) to reflect changes necessitated by Task Force action; and study innovative insurer accounting practices that affect the ability of state insurance regulators to determine the true financial condition of insurers.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Accounting Practices and Procedures (E) Task Force will:

A. Oversee the activities of the Blanks (E) Working Group and the Statutory Accounting Principles (E) Working Group.

2. The **Blanks (E) Working Group** will:

- A. Consider improvements and revisions to the various annual/quarterly statement blanks to:
 - i. Conform these blanks to changes made in other areas of the NAIC to promote uniformity in reporting of financial information by insurers.
 - ii. Develop reporting formats for other entities subject to the jurisdiction of state insurance departments.
 - iii. Conform the various NAIC blanks and instructions to adopted NAIC policy.
 - iv. Oversee the development of additional reporting formats within the existing annual financial statements as needs are identified.
- B. Continue to monitor state filing checklists to maintain current filing requirements.
- C. Continue to monitor and improve the quality of financial data filed by insurance companies by recommending improved or additional language for the *Annual Statement Instructions*.
- D. Continue to monitor and review all proposals necessary for the implementation of statutory accounting guidance to ensure proper implementation of any action taken by the Accounting Practices and Procedures (E) Task Force affecting annual financial statements and/or instructions.
- E. Continue to coordinate with other task forces of the NAIC to ensure proper implementation of reporting and instructions changes as proposed by these taskforces.
- <u>F.</u> Coordinate with the Life Actuarial (A) Task Force to use any special reports developed and avoid duplication of reporting. Coordinate with the applicable task forces and working groups as needed to avoid duplication of reporting.
- G. Consider proposals presented that would address duplication in reporting, and/or elimination of data elements no longer needed, coordinating with other NAIC working groups if applicable, to ensure revised reporting still meets the needs of regulators.
- F.H. Review requests for investment schedule blanks and instructions changes in connection with the work being performed by the Capital Adequacy (E) Task Force and its working groups.
- G.I. Review changes requested by the Valuation of Securities (E) Task Force relating to its work on other invested assets reporting for technical consistency within the investment reporting schedules and instructions.

ACCOUNTING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES (E) TASK FORCE (continued)

3. The Statutory Accounting Principles (E) Working Group will:

- A. Maintain codified statutory accounting principles by providing periodic updates to the guidance that address new statutory issues and new generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) pronouncements. Provide authoritative responses to questions of application and clarifications for existing statutory accounting principles. Report all actions and provide updates to the Accounting Practices and Procedures (E) Task Force.
- B. At the discretion of the Working Group chair, develop comments on exposed GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) pronouncements affecting financial accounting and reporting. Any comments are subject to review and approval by the chairs of the Accounting Practices and Procedures (E) Task Force and the Financial Condition (E) Committee.
- C. Coordinate with the Life Actuarial (A) Task Force on changes to the AP&P Manual related to the *Valuation Manual* VM-A, Requirements, and VM-C, Actuarial Guidelines, as well as other *Valuation Manual* requirements. This process will include the receipt of periodic reports on changes to the *Valuation Manual* on items that require coordination.
- D. Obtain, analyze, and review information on permitted practices, prescribed practices, or other accounting treatments suggesting that issues or trends occurring within the industry may compromise the consistency and uniformity of statutory accounting, including, but not limited to, activities conducted by insurers for which there is currently no statutory accounting guidance or where the states have prescribed statutory accounting that differs from the guidance issued by the NAIC. Use this information to consider possible changes to statutory accounting.

NAIC Support Staff: Robin Marcotte

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Adopted by the Capital Adequacy (E) Task Force, Sept. 21, 2022

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CAPITAL ADEQUACY (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Capital Adequacy (E) Task Force is to evaluate and recommend appropriate refinements to capital requirements for all types of insurers.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Capital Adequacy (E) Task Force will:

- A. Evaluate emerging "risk" issues for referral to the risk-based capital (RBC) working groups/subgroups for certain issues involving more than one RBC formula. Monitor emerging and existing risks relative to their consistent or divergent treatment in the three RBC formulas.
- B. Review and evaluate company submissions for the schedule and corresponding adjustment to total adjusted capital (TAC).
- C. Evaluate relevant historical data, and apply defined statistical safety levels over appropriate time horizons in developing recommendations for revisions to the current asset risk structure and factors in each of the RBC formulas.

2. The Health Risk-Based Capital (E) Working Group, Life Risk-Based Capital (E) Working Group, and Property and Casualty Risk-Based Capital (E) Working Group will:

- A. Evaluate refinements to the existing NAIC RBC formulas implemented in the prior year. Forward the final version of the structure of the current year life and fraternal, property/casualty (P/C), and health RBC formulas to the Financial Condition (E) Committee by June.
- B. Consider improvements and revisions to the various RBC blanks to: 1) conform the RBC blanks to changes made in other areas of the NAIC to promote uniformity; and 2) oversee the development of additional reporting formats within the existing RBC blanks as needs are identified. Any proposal that affects the RBC structure must be adopted no later than April 30 in the year of the change of the reporting year, and any proposal that affects the RBC factors and/or instructions must be adopted no later than June 30 of the reporting year. aAdopted changes will be forwarded to the Financial Condition (E) Committee by the next scheduled meeting or conference call. Any adoptions made to the annual financial statement blanks or statutory accounting principles that affect an RBC change adopted by April June 30 and results in an amended change may be considered by and adopted by July 30, for those exceptions where the Capital Adequacy (E) Task Force votes to pursue by super-majority (two-thirds) consent of members present no later than June 30 for the current reporting year.
- C. Monitor changes in accounting and reporting requirements resulting from the adoption and continuing maintenance of the revised Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual (AP&P Manual) to ensure that model laws, publications, formulas, analysis tools, etc., supported by the Task Force continue to meet regulatory objectives.
- D. Review the effectiveness of the NAIC's RBC policies and procedures as they affect the accuracy, audit ability, timeliness of reporting access to RBC results, and comparability between the RBC formulas. Report on data quality problems in the prior year RBC filings at the summer and fall national meetings.

CAPITAL ADEQUACY (E) TASK FORCE (continued)

- 3. The **Longevity Risk (E/A) Subgroup**, a joint subgroup of the Life Risk-Based Capital (E) Working Group and the Life Actuarial (A) Task Force, will:
 - A. Provide recommendations for the appropriate treatment of longevity risk transfers by the new longevity factors.
- 4. The Variable Annuities Capital and Reserve (E/A) Subgroup, a joint subgroup of the Life Risk-Based Capital (E) Working Group and the Life Actuarial (A) Task Force, will:
 - A. Monitor the impact of the changes to the variable annuities reserve framework and RBC calculation, and determine if additional revisions need to be made.
 - B. Develop and recommend appropriate changes, including those to improve accuracy and clarity of variable annuity (VA) capital and reserve requirements.
- 5. The Catastrophe Risk (E) Subgroup of the Property and Casualty Risk-Based Capital (E) Working Group will:
 - A. Recalculate the premium risk factors on an ex-catastrophe basis, if needed.
 - B. Continue to update the U.S. and non-U.S. catastrophe event list.
 - C. Continue to evaluate the need for exemption criteria for insurers with minimal risk.
 - D. Evaluate the RBC results inclusive of a catastrophe risk charge.
 - E. Refine instructions for the catastrophe risk charge.
 - F. Continue to evaluate any necessary refinements to the catastrophe risk formula.
 - G. Evaluate other catastrophe risks for possible inclusion in the charge.
- 6. The Risk-Based Capital (RBC)-Investment Risk and Evaluation (E) Working Group will:
 - A. Perform a comprehensive review of the RBC investment framework for all business types, which could include:
 - 1. Identifying and acknowledging uses that extend beyond the purpose of the *Risk-Based Capital (RBC)* for Insurers Model Act (#312).
 - 2. Assessing the impact and effectiveness of potential changes in contributing to the identification of weakly capitalized companies; i.e., those companies at action level.
 - 3. Documenting the modifications made over time to the formulas, including, but not limited to, an analysis of the costs in study and development, implementation (internal and external), assimilation, verification, analysis, and review of the desired change to the RBC formulas and facilitating the appropriate allocation of resources.

NAIC Support Staff: Eva Yeung

Adopted by the Executive (EX) Committee and Plenary, _____, _____, Adopted by the Financial Condition (E) Committee, Nov. 15, 2022

Adopted by the Examination Oversight (E) Task Force, Sept. 28, 2022

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EXAMINATION OVERSIGHT (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Examination Oversight (E) Task Force is to monitor, develop, and implement tools for the risk-focused surveillance process. For financial examinations and analysis, this includes maintenance of the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook* and the *Financial Analysis Handbook* to provide guidance to examiners and analysts using a risk-focused approach to solvency regulation and to encourage effective communication and coordination between examiners, analysts, and other regulators. In addition, the mission of the Task Force is to: monitor and refine regulatory tools of the risk-focused surveillance process, including Financial Analysis Solvency Tools (FAST) such as company profiles and the FAST ratio scoring system; oversee financial examiner and analyst use of electronic software tools; monitor the progress of coordination efforts among the states in conducting examinations and the sharing of information necessary to solvency monitoring; establish procedures for the flow of information between the states about troubled companies; maintain an effective approach to the review of information technology (IT) general controls; and monitor the timeliness of financial examinations.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Examination Oversight (E) Task Force will:

- A. Accomplish its mission using the following groups:
 - i. Electronic Workpaper (E) Working Group.
 - ii. Financial Analysis Solvency Tools (E) Working Group.
 - iii. Financial Examiners Coordination (E) Working Group.
 - iv. Financial Examiners Handbook (E) Technical Group.
 - v. Information Technology (IT) Examination (E) Working Group.

2. The **Electronic Workpaper (E) Working Group** will:

- A. Monitor and support the state insurance departments in using electronic workpaper software tools to conduct and document solvency monitoring activities.
- B. Provide ongoing oversight to the transition of electronic workpaper work to the TeamMate+ application.
- C. Monitor state insurance regulator use of TeamMate+ to proactively identify best practices and improvements to the application, as necessary.

3. The Financial Analysis Solvency Tools (E) Working Group will:

- A. Provide ongoing maintenance and enhancements to the *Financial Analysis Handbook* and related applications for changes to the NAIC annual/quarterly financial statement blanks, as well as enhancements developed to assist in the risk-focused analysis and monitoring of the financial condition of insurance companies and groups. Monitor the coordination of analysis activities of holding company groups, and coordinate and analyze input received from other state regulators.
- B. Provide ongoing development maintenance and enhancements to the automated financial solvency tools developed to assist in conducting risk-focused analysis and monitoring the financial condition of insurance companies and groups. Prioritize and perform analysis to ensure that the tools remain reliable and accurate.

EXAMINATION OVERSIGHT (E) TASK FORCE (continued)

- C. Coordinate with the Financial Examiners Handbook (E) Technical Group and the Risk-Focused Surveillance (E) Working Group, as appropriate, to develop and maintain guidance in order to provide effective solvency monitoring.
- D. Adjust the *Financial Analysis Handbook* and current financial analysis solvency tools for life insurance companies based on any recommendations as requested from the Life Actuarial (A) Task Force to incorporated principle-based reserving (PBR) changes.

4. The Financial Examiners Coordination (E) Working Group will:

- A. Develop enhancements that encourage the coordination of examination activities regarding holding company groups.
- B. Promote coordination by assisting and advising domiciliary regulators and exam coordinating states as to what might be the most appropriate regulatory strategies, methods, and actions regarding financial examinations of holding company groups.
- C. Facilitate communication among regulators regarding common practices and issues arising from coordinating examination efforts.
- D. Provide ongoing maintenance and enhancements to the Financial Examination Electronic Tracking System (FEETS).

5. The Financial Examiners Handbook (E) Technical Group will:

- A. Continually review the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook* and revise, as appropriate.
- B. Coordinate with the Risk-Focused Surveillance (E) Working Group to monitor the implementation of the risk- assessment process by developing additional guidance and exhibits within the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook*, including consideration of potential redundancies affected by the examination process, corporate governance, and other guidance as needed to assist examiners in completing financial condition examinations.
- C. Coordinate with the Financial Analysis Solvency Tools (E) Working Group and the Risk-Focused Surveillance (E) Working Group, as appropriate, to develop and maintain guidance in order to provide effective solvency monitoring.
- D. Coordinate with the IT Examination (E) Working Group and the Financial Examiners Coordination (E) Working Group to maintain specialized areas of guidance within the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook* related to the charges of these specific working groups.
- E. Adjust the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook* based upon any recommendations as requested from the Life Actuarial (A) Task Force to incorporate PBR changes.

6. The Information Technology (IT) Examination (E) Working Group will:

- A. Continually review and revise, as needed, the "General Information Technology Review" and "Exhibit C— Evaluation of Controls in Information Systems" sections of the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook*.
- B. <u>Coordinate with the Cybersecurity (H) Working Group to m</u>Monitor cybersecurity trends, including emerging and/or ongoing vulnerabilities, and develop guidance within the *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook* or other tools, if deemed necessary, to support IT examiners.

NAIC Support Staff: Bailey Henning

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Adopted by the Financial Stability (E) Task Force, Oct. 28, 2022

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FINANCIAL STABILITY (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Financial Stability (E) Task Force is to consider issues concerning domestic or global financial stability as they pertain to the role of state insurance regulators.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Program, Products, or Services

1. The Financial Stability (E) Task Force will:

- A. Manage the macroprudential supervisory component of the NAIC financial solvency framework.
 - i. Monitor the U.S. insurance industry's macroprudential risk levels.
 - ii. Maintain macroprudential regulatory tools.
 - iii. Identify data gaps and enhanced disclosure needs for the statutory financial statement and/or other reporting mechanisms.
 - iv. Propose enhancements and/or additional supervisory measures to the Financial Condition (E)

 Committee or other relevant committees, and consult with such committees on implementation.
- B. Monitor U.S. macroprudential policy issues, and respond as appropriate.
 - i. Support and work with the state insurance regulator representative to the Financial Stability Oversight Council (FSOC) to address confidential FSOC or other federal agency macroprudential work.
 - ii. Participate in public FSOC or other federal agency macroprudential work.
- C. Monitor international macroprudential policy issues, and participatinge/responding as appropriate.
 - i. Coordinate with the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee to address International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) or other international macroprudential work.

1.—The Financial Stability (E) Task Force will:

- A. Consider issues concerning domestic and global financial stability as they pertain to the role of state insurance regulators and make recommendations to the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee, the Government Relations (EX) Leadership Council and/or the Executive (EX) Committee, as appropriate.
 - 1. Analyze existing post-financial crisis regulatory reforms for their application in identifying macroeconomic trends, including identifying possible areas of improvement or gaps, and propose to the Financial Condition (E) Committee or other relevant committee enhancements and/or additions to further improve the ability of state insurance regulators and the industry to address macroprudential impacts; consult with such committees on implementation, as needed.
- A. Consider state insurance regulators' input to national and international discussions on macroeconomic vulnerabilities affecting the insurance sector.
 - 1. Monitor international macroprudential activities at forums like the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS).
 - 1. Implement the Macroprudential Initiative (MPI) domestically, which includes enhancements to the U.S. regulatory toolkit as part of the State Ahead initiative.
- A.—Serve as a forum to coordinate state insurance regulators' perspectives on a wide variety of issues arising from the designation of a U.S. insurance group as "systemically important" and "internationally active" both pre- and post- designation, including:
 - 1. Where appropriate, develop policy recommendations and/or guidance regarding the role,

- responsibilities and activities of state insurance regulators in the context of consolidated supervision resulting from designation.
- 1. Analyze proposed rules by the federal agencies that relate to financial stability.
- 1. Analyze proposed policy measures regarding supervisory standards for global systemically important insurers (G-SIIs) and internationally active insurance groups (IAIGs).
- 1. Develop comment letters on such analysis for further consideration by the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee, the Government Relations (EX) Leadership Council, and/or the Executive (EX) Committee, as appropriate.

2. The Macroprudential (E) Working Group will:

- B.A.Oversee the implementation and maintenance of the Liquidity Stress Ttesting Framework (LST Framework) for 2020 data as well as future iterations.
- B. Monitor domestic and global activities including those frequently associated with private equity (PE) ownership that may impactaffect the U.S. insurance industry.
- C. <u>Execute the original Assist with the remaining Macroprudential Initiative (MPI)</u> projects related to counterparty disclosures and capital stress testing as needed.
- D. Continue to develop and administer data collection tools as needed, leveraging existing data where feasible, to provide the Financial Stability (E) Task Force with meaningful macroprudential information regarding how the insurance sector is navigating the prevailing market conditions.
- E. Oversee the development, implementation, and maintenance process for a new Macroprudential Risk Assessment system (i.e., policies, procedures, and tools) to enhance regulators' ability to monitor industry trends from a macroprudential perspective.
- F. Oversee the documentation of the NAIC's macroprudential policies, procedures, and tools.
- G. Provide the Task Force with proposed responses updates to IAIS and other international initiatives as needed.

NAIC Support Staff: Todd Sells/Tim Nauheimer/Todd Sells

Date: 10/18/22

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Adopted by the Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force, Aug. 11, 2022

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RECEIVERSHIP AND INSOLVENCY (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force is to be administrative and substantive as it relates to issues concerning insurer insolvencies and insolvency guarantees. Such duties include, without limitation: 1) monitoring the effectiveness and performance of state administration of receiverships and the state guaranty fund system; 2) coordinating cooperation and communication among regulators, receivers, and guaranty funds; 3) monitoring ongoing receiverships and reporting on such receiverships to NAIC members; 4) developing and providing educational and training programs in the area of insurer insolvencies and insolvency guarantees to regulators, professionals, and consumers; 5) developing and monitoring relevant model laws, guidelines, and products; and 6) providing resources for regulators and professionals to promote efficient operations of receiverships and guaranty funds.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force will:

- A. Monitor and promote efficient operations of insurance receiverships and guaranty associations.
- B. Monitor and promote state adoption of insurance receivership and guaranty association model acts and regulations, and monitor other legislation related to insurance receiverships and guaranty associations.
- C. Provide input and comments to the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS), the Financial Stability Board (FSB), or other related groups on issues regarding international resolution authority.
- D. Monitor, review, and provide input on federal rulemaking and studies related to insurance receiverships.
- E. Provide ongoing review of the *Receiver's Handbook for Insurance Company Insolvencies* (Receiver's Handbook), other related NAIC publications, and the Global Receivership Information Database (GRID), and make any necessary updates.
- F. Monitor the work of other NAIC committees, task forces, and working groups to identify and address any issues that affect receivership law and/or regulatory guidance.
- G. Perform additional work as directed by the Financial Condition (E) Committee and/or received through referral by other groups.

2. The Receivership Financial Analysis (E) Working Group will:

- A. Monitor receiverships involving nationally significant insurers/groups to support, encourage, promote, and coordinate multistate efforts in addressing problems.
- B. Interact with the Financial Analysis (E) Working Group, domiciliary regulators, and lead states to assist and advise as to what might be the most appropriate regulatory strategies, methods, and/or action(s) regarding potential or pending receiverships.

3. The Receivership Law (E) Working Group will:

- A. Review and provide recommendations on any issues identified that may affect states' receivership and guaranty association laws (e.g., any issues that arise as a result of market conditions; insurer insolvencies; federal rulemaking and studies; international resolution initiatives; or as a result of the work performed by or referred from other NAIC committees, task forces, and/or working groups).
- B. Discuss significant cases that may impact affect the administration of receiverships.

RECEIVERSHIP AND INSOLVENCY (E) TASK FORCE (continued)

- 4. The Receiver's Handbook (E) Subgroup of the Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force will:
 - A. <u>Complete the rReview</u> the Receiver's Handbook to identify areas where information is outdated, updates are required, or additional guidance is needed. Based on this review, draft and propose recommended edits to the Receiver's Handbook. Complete by the 20223 Fall National Meeting.

NAIC Support Staff: Jane Koenigsman

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Adopted by the Reinsurance (E) Task Force, July 25, 2022

2023 Proposed Charges

REINSURANCE (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Reinsurance (E) Task Force is to monitor and coordinate activities and areas of interest that overlap to some extent the charges of other NAIC groups—specifically, the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Reinsurance (E) Task Force will:

- A. Provide a forum for the consideration of reinsurance-related issues of public policy.
- B. Oversee the activities of the Reinsurance Financial Analysis (E) Working Group.
- C. Monitor the implementation of the 2011, 2016, and 2019 revisions to the *Credit for Reinsurance Model Law* (#785); and the 2011 and 2019 revisions to the *Credit for Reinsurance Model Regulation* (#786) and the *Term and Universal Life Insurance Reserve Financing Model Regulation* (#787).
- D. Communicate and coordinate with the Federal Insurance Office (FIO), other federal authorities, and international regulators and authorities on matters pertaining to reinsurance.
- E. Consider any other issues related to the revised Model #785, Model #786, and Model #787.
- F. Monitor the development of international principles, standards, and guidance with respect to reinsurance. This includes, but is not limited to, monitoring the activities of various groups within the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS), including the Reinsurance and Other Forms of Risk Transfer Subcommittee, the Reinsurance Mutual Recognition Subgroup, and the Reinsurance Transparency Group.
- G. Consider the impact of reinsurance-related federal legislation, including, but not limited to, the federal Nonadmitted and Reinsurance Reform Act (NRRA) and the Federal Insurance Office Act, and coordinate any appropriate NAIC action.
- H. Continue to monitor the impact of reinsurance-related international agreements, including the "Bilateral Agreement Between the United States of America and the European Union on Prudential Measures Regarding Insurance and Reinsurance" (EU Covered Agreement) and the "Bilateral Agreement Between the United States of America and the United Kingdom on Prudential Measures Regarding Insurance and Reinsurance" (UK Covered Agreement).

2. The Reinsurance Financial Analysis (E) Working Group will:

- A. Operate in regulator-to-regulator session pursuant to paragraph 3 (specific companies, entities, or individuals) of the NAIC Policy Statement on Open Meetings, and operate in open session when discussing certified reinsurance topics and policy issues, such as amendments to the Uniform Application for Certified Reinsurers.
- B. Provide advisory support and assistance to states in the review of reinsurance collateral reduction applications. Such a process with respect to the review of applications for reinsurance collateral reduction and qualified jurisdictions should strengthen state regulation and prevent regulatory arbitrage.
- C. Provide a forum for discussion among NAIC jurisdictions of reinsurance issues related to specific companies, entities, or individuals.
- D. Support, encourage, promote, and coordinate multistate efforts in addressing issues related to certified reinsurers, including, but not limited to, multistate recognition of certified reinsurers.

REINSURANCE (E) TASK FORCE (continued)

- E. Provide analytical expertise and support to the states with respect to certified reinsurers and applicants for certification.
- F. Provide advisory support with respect to issues related to the determination of qualified jurisdictions.
- G. Ensure the public passporting website remains current.
- H. For reinsurers domiciled in Rreciprocal Jurisdictions, determine the best and most effective approaches for the financial solvency surveillance to assist the states in their work to protect the interests of policyholders.

NAIC Support Staff: Jake Stultz/Dan Schelp

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Adopted by the Risk Retention Group (E) Task Force, Oct. 5, 2022

2023 Proposed Charges

RISK RETENTION GROUP (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Risk Retention Group (E) Task Force is to stay apprised of the work of other NAIC groups as it relates to financial solvency regulation and the NAIC Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation Program. The Task Force may make referrals to the Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation (F) Committee and/or other NAIC groups, as deemed appropriate.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Risk Retention Group (E) Task Force will:

- A. Monitor and evaluate the work of other NAIC committees, task forces, and working groups related to risk retention groups (RRGs). Specifically, if any of these actions affect the NAIC Financial Regulation and Accreditation Standards Program, assess whether and/or how the changes should apply to RRGs and their affiliates
- B. Monitor and analyze federal actions, including any U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) reports. Consider any action necessary as a result of federal activity.
- C. Monitor the impacts of recent tools and resources made available to domiciliary and non-domiciliary state insurance regulators pertaining to RRGs. Consider whether additional action is necessary, including educational opportunities, updating resources and further clarifications.

NAIC Support Staff: Becky Meyer/Sara Franson

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2023 Proposed Charges

VALUATION OF SECURITIES (E) TASK FORCE

The mission of the Valuation of Securities (E) Task Force is to provide regulatory leadership and expertise to establish and maintain all aspects of the NAIC's credit assessment process for insurer-owned securities, as well as produce insightful and actionable research and analysis regarding insurer investments.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The Valuation€ Securities (E) Task Force will:

- A. Review and monitor the operations of the NAIC Securities Valuation Office (SVO) and the NAIC Structured Securities Group (SSG) to ensure they continue to reflect regulatory objectives.
- B. Maintain and revise the *Purposes and Procedures Manual of the NAIC Investment Analysis Office* (P&P Manual) to provide solutions to investment-related regulatory issues for existing or anticipated investments.
- C. Monitor changes in accounting and reporting requirements resulting from the continuing maintenance of the *Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual* (AP&P Manual), as well as financial statement blanks and instructions, to ensure that the P&P Manual continues to reflect regulatory needs and objectives.
- D. Consider whether improvements should be suggested to the measurement, reporting, and evaluation of invested assets by the NAIC as the result of: 1) newly identified types of invested assets; 2) newly identified investment risks within existing invested asset types; or 3) elevated concerns regarding previously identified investment risks.
- E. Identify potential improvements to the credit filing process, including formats and electronic system enhancements.
- F. Provide effective direction to the NAIC's mortgage-backed securities modeling firms and consultants.
- G. Coordinate with other NAIC working groups and task forces—including, but not limited to, the Capital Adequacy (E) Task Force, the Statutory Accounting Principles (E) Working Group, and the Blanks (E) Working Group, and the Risk-Based Capital Investment Risk & and Evaluation (E) Working Group—to formulate recommendations and to make referrals to such other NAIC regulator groups to ensure expertise relative to investments, or the purpose and objective of guidance in the P&P Manual, is reflective in the guidance of such other groups and that the expertise of such other NAIC regulatory groups and the objectives of their guidance is reflected in the P&P Manual.
- H. Identify potential improvements to the filing exempt (FE) process (the use of credit rating provider [CRP] ratings to determine an NAIC designation) to ensure greater consistency, uniformity, and appropriateness to achieve the NAIC's financial solvency objectives.
- J. Establish criteria to permit staff's discretion over the assignment of NAIC designations for securities subject to the filing exemptFE process (the use of credit rating providerCRP ratings to determine an NAIC designation) to ensure greater consistency, uniformity, and appropriateness to achieve the NAIC's financial solvency objectives.
- H.K. Implement additional and alternative ways to measure and report investment risk.

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November 10, 2022

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SUBJECT: 2023 Proposed E Committee Charges exposed via email on Wednesday, October 12, 2022

Dear Mr. Daveline:

The Blanks Working Group Interested Parties ("IP") appreciate the opportunity to comment on the 2023 Financial Condition (E) Committee Charges that were exposed for comment via email on Wednesday, October 12, 2022.

IPs have had the opportunity to discuss the proposed changes to the Blanks Working Group (BWG) 2023 Charges with state regulators and NAIC staff during the past few months. Concerns about the amount of data redundancy currently contained in the financial statutory statements drove those conversations. IPs are just as concerned with data redundancy that exists between those statements and across the numerous supplemental filings that are required by the various states. We support the general direction of the proposed changes to the 2023 Charges of the BWG; however, we have a few suggested revisions that we believe better reflect our discussions with regulators and staff.

- F. Coordinate with the applicable task forces and working groups as needed to avoid duplication of reporting within the annual and quarterly statement blanks.
- G. Consider proposals presented that would address duplication in reporting, and/or elimination of data elements no longer needed, coordinating identify opportunities for streamlining existing data, eliminate data elements, financial schedules and disclosures that are no longer needed, and coordinate with other NAIC task forces and working groups, if applicable, to ensure revised reporting still meets the needs of regulators.

Thank you for considering IP's comments. If you have any questions in the interim, please contact us.

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