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**Meeting of the Actuarial Committee (WebEx and Teleconference)**  
**Actuarial Research**  
**Tuesday, April 28, 2020**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Jeremy Attie presided

**Members**

Arch Insurance Company  
Continental Casualty Company  
Greater New York Mutual Insurance Company  
Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company  
New York State Insurance Fund  
Public Member  
QBE Insurance Corporation  
Technology Insurance Company  
Travelers Indemnity Company  
XL Catlin  
Zurich North American Insurance Company

**Represented by**

Scott Burke  
Julia Stenberg  
Timothy Wang  
Sandra Kipust  
Timothy Koester  
Mark Priven  
John Celidonio  
Bryan Ware  
Brian Clancy  
Christopher Graham\*  
Mauro Garcia

**Non-Voting Attendees**

American Home Assurance Company  
Federal Insurance Company  
Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company  
North American Specialty Insurance Corporation  
Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Assoc. Ins. Co.

Jose Couret / Marc Fournier  
Ju-Young Suh\*  
Nicholas Papacoda  
Dmitri Papush  
Scott Curlee

**Others Present**

Bickmore Actuarial

Daniel Shaw

New York Compensation Insurance Rating Board

Jeremy Attie / Ziv Kimmel  
Brett King / Guo Harrison  
Ben Witkowski / Robert Fogelson  
CJ Mohin / Peter Zhou  
Yan Lin / Taylor Boudwin-Jones  
Ivy Zhu / Amy Chen  
Thomas Nowak / Rose Barrett

\* Not present for the meeting

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Prior to the consideration of the agenda, Mr. Jeremy Attie read the anti-trust compliance policy statement, which is annexed to these meeting minutes for reference.

### Loss Development Research

Mr. Brett King, the Rating Board's Director of Actuarial Research, presented the Committee with an update on loss development groupings. Specifically, he described the allocation of the tail factor among the new development groups and the allocation of incurred but not yet reported ("IBNYR") claims' dollars to be used in the proposed loss development groupings for classification pure premium calculations. The presentation was attached as Exhibit A to the agenda.

A Committee member asked which tail allocation method is expected to have greater variability. Mr. King responded that most variability would be evident in the development up to 10<sup>th</sup> report, while the tail is expected to remain relatively stable. He added that the financial data tail factor beyond 20<sup>th</sup> report is based on a 10-year average, contributing to stability.

Another Committee member asked whether averaging the different allocation methods each year would be too cumbersome. Mr. King responded that the tail allocation proportions are stable and would not be revised annually.

The Committee agreed with the proposed tail and IBNYR allocation methodologies. Mr. King told the Committee that the next steps would include incorporating a limited tail including the recommended allocation procedures and examining the impact of the final loss development groupings on classification pure premiums.

### Experience Rating Research

Mr. King presented the Committee with an update on experience rating plan research. He informed the Committee that the Actuarial Research Subcommittee met on March 12, 2020 and on April 14, 2020 and reviewed various experience rating methodologies, which were optimized after applying a new capping procedure and including all risks in the analyses. The Subcommittee recommended that several methodologies be presented to the full Committee for its review. The minutes of the two subcommittee meetings were attached as Exhibits B and C to the agenda.

Mr. King presented the alternative methodologies to the Actuarial Committee, which reflected a loss limit and capping procedures which were applied consistently to all methods, along with various measures and statistics for evaluation purposes. The presentation was included as Exhibit D to the agenda.

A Committee member inquired about the derivation of the claim count caps. Mr. King described the derivation, explaining that the claim count caps were determined based on the average and maximum mods observed across several methods for different risk sizes, and analyzed separately for risks that experienced the specified number of claims.

A Committee member asked whether there should be different claim count caps for medical only claims vs. lost time claims. Mr. King responded that this possibility was considered but was ruled out due to poor results.

A Committee member observed that the quintile results for small risk sizes did not appear to have flat standard loss ratios. Mr. King responded that this is primarily because a large majority of these risks did not experience a claim, and only risks in the fifth quintile experienced claims, resulting in volatility in the standard loss ratios.

A Committee member asked how merit rated risks were treated in the testing of the different methods. Mr. King responded that risks that are currently merit rated were not segregated, but included with all risks, as the proposed plan would be a single plan that would apply to all risks.

Another Committee member questioned whether stability can be improved by capping changes in the mod. Mr. King responded that this creates regulatory concerns such as unfair discrimination.

The Actuarial Committee discussed the implications of leaving the interstate system. Committee members asked whether the New York State Department of Financial Services (“DFS”) has expressed concern with leaving the interstate system. Mr. Kimmel responded that DFS has not expressed any concern but will confirm out of an excess of caution. A Committee member indicated that leaving the interstate system may present some challenges, and that carriers, in addition to other stakeholders, should be involved in the discussion. Mr. Kimmel responded that the Rating Board will communicate any decision associated with changes to the experience rating plan with its member carriers and stakeholders. Mr. King reminded the Committee that there are other jurisdictions that do not participate in the interstate system.

Further, Mr. King indicated that it is still unclear which methodology NCCI will pursue, and that NCCI has indicated that New York data will not be included in the optimization of their methodology. He added that there are concerns combining credibility parameters across states.

A Committee member asked how different the tested California plan is from the actual plan in use in California. Mr. King responded that the plan in place in California has a feature that caps the mod swing of risks with only one claim, and that this feature was not included in the

plan tested by the Rating Board. In addition, the actual California plan excludes small claims, which was not reflected in the plan tested and presented by the Rating Board.

A Committee member commented that claim caps are very innovative and work very well and added that any of the alternative methods presented would be a great improvement over the current method. Other committee members agreed and expressed preference to the California Cubic method.

A motion was made to have the Rating Board complete its research with the California Cubic plan only, present this preferred methodology it to the system stakeholders, discuss it with regulators, communicate it with member insurers, and take any other necessary steps to advance implementation of the new methodology. The Committee approved the motion unanimously.

It was suggested that a plan for a transition from the current plan to the revised plan be discussed with the Research Subcommittee. Mr. Kimmel indicated that it would be done, and a complete implementation plan and timeline would be presented to the full Committee at the October 2020 meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and the motion was approved.

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