LA WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECOND INJURY BOARD

Meeting of April 3, 2014

The regular meeting of the Second Injury Board convened at 2:02 p.m.

The following were present:

- 1. Mr. Charles Hansberry, Chairman, representing Commissioner of Insurance
- 2. Mr. Steve Hawkland, representing Secretary of State
- 3. Ms. Lynette Mack, representing State Treasurer
- 4. Ms. Pauline Williams, SIB Director
- 5. Michelle Sumrall, Compliance Supervisor
- 6. Meridith Trahant, General Counsel
- 7. Karl Scott, General Counsel
- 8. Shaneka Davis, Recording Secretary

Mr. Hansberry, Chairman, called the meeting to order and began with *Item 1* on the agenda, being the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Hawkland moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes as printed and distributed. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mack and passed unanimously.

The Chairman moved to *Item 2* on the agenda, no hearing schedule so Mr. Hansberry moved to *Item 3* on the agenda.

Next the Chairman moved to *Item 3* on the agenda, being the recommendation of staff to approve reimbursement on the following (9) claims; beginning with Claim #12-0865 and ending with Claim #13-0946. The motion was made by Ms. Mack and seconded by Mr. Hawland and passed unanimously.

| 1. | 12-0865 | Starnet Insurance Company | 104 week deductible |
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| 2. | 13-0103 | Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corp | 104 week deductible |
| 3. | 13-0253 | Louisiana Safety Association of Timbermen | 104 week deductible |
| 4. | 13-0434 | Arch Insurance Company | 104 week deductible |
| 5. | 13-0584 | Hartford Accident & Indemnity | 104 week deductible |
| 6. | 13-0807 | Zurich American Insurance Company | 104 week deductible |
| 7. | 13-0881 | LEMIC Insurance Company | 104 week deductible |
| 8. | 13-0931 | St. Landry School Board | 104 week deductible |
| 9. | 13-0946 | LUBA Casualty Insurance Company | 104 week deductible |

Mr. Hansberry asked for a motion to accept the recommendation of staff and approve reimbursement of these claims. The motion was made by Ms. Mack, seconded by Mr. Hawkland, and passed unanimously.

The Chairman moved to *Item 4* on the agenda, being the recommendation of staff to deny reimbursement for the following (22) claims; number #4 under Item 4 Claim #13-0042, has been postponed. The other (21) items have been recommended for denial beginning with Claim #12-1015 and ending with Claim #14-0102.

| 12-1015 | Argonaut Insurance Group |
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| 13-0023 | Louisiana Commerce and Trade Association |
| 13-0034 | Louisiana Safety Association of Timbermen |
| 13-0042 | Louisiana Health Care SIF- Postponed |
| 13-0093 | Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporation |
| 13-0207 | Louisiana Health Care SIF |
| 13-0500 | LEMIC Insurance Company |
| 13-0509 | Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company |
| 13-0605 | Louisiana Auto Dealers Association |
| 13-0614 | Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company |
| 13-0777 | Insurance Company of the State of PA |
| 13-0782 | Louisiana Restaurant Association |
| 13-0795 | American Casualty of Reading, PA |
| 13-0801 | None Documented |
| 13-0810 | Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company |
| 13-0813 | Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporation |
| 13-0825 | Diocese of Alexandria |
| 13-0861 | Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporation |
| 13-0895 | LUBA Casualty Insurance Company |
| 13-0933 | New Hampshire Insurance Company |
| 14-0026 | LUBA Casualty Insurance Company |
| 14-0102 | Caddo Parish School Board |
| | 13-0023 13-0034 13-0093 13-0207 13-0500 13-0509 13-0605 13-0614 13-0777 13-0782 13-0795 13-0801 13-0810 13-0813 13-0825 13-0861 13-0895 13-0933 14-0026 |

Mr. Hawkland moved to accept the recommendation of staff to deny these claims. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mack and passed unanimously.

The Chairman moved to *Item 5* on the agenda, being the recommendation to approve reimbursement of (204) partial payments beginning with Claim #80-0247 and ending with Claim #12-0262. Mr. Hansberry asked for a motion to accept the recommendation and approve reimbursement of the partial payments as submitted on the agenda of April 3, 2014. The motion was made by Mr. Hawkland, seconded by Ms. Mack, and passed unanimously.

The Chairman moved to *Item 6* on the agenda, being the recommendation to approve (94) quarterly payments due beginning with Claim #87-0341 and ending with Claim #12-0789. Mr. Hawkland moved to accept the recommendation of the Director and approve reimbursement of quarterly payments as submitted on the agenda of April 3, 2014. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mack and passed unanimously.

The Chairman moved to *Item 7*, Public Comment. No one from the public was present therefore, the Chairman moved to *Item 8* on the agenda. Mr. Hawkland made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Second Injury Board litigation and settlements. Ms. Mack seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

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Upon returning from Executive Session, the Chairman moved to *Item 8a* of the agenda, being settlement recommendations. It's been recommended by staff that (14) items be paid on a quarterly bases, (see attached). The Chairman requested a motion to approve the recommendations of the Director regarding settlement authority as discussed in Executive Session and to extend settlement authority to be reimbursed on quarterly basis for the following claims:

- 1. 99-0456
- 2. 99-0811
- 3. 01-0774
- 4. 02-0181
- 5. 04-0878
- 6. 09-0734
- 7. 10-0174
- 8. 10-1016
- 9. 11-0225
- 10. 11-0315
- 11. 11-0366
- 12. 12-0246
- 13. 12-0446 Indemnity only
- 14. 12-0577
- 15. 12-0908
- 16. 13-0072
- 17. 13-0092

Ms. Mack moved to accept the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hawkland and passed unanimously.

There's (3) times were recommended to be denied for settlement and be paid on an on-going basis:

- 1. 01-0774
- 2. 09-0734
- 3. 13-0072

Mr. Hawkland moved to accept the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mack and passed unanimously.

The Chairman moved to *Item 8b* of the agenda, being Second Injury Board litigation. The Chairman asked for a motion to grant authority to legal counsel as discussed in Executive Session, to represent the Board in the following manner:

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- 1. Claim #11-0544 settlement authority
- 2. Claim #12-0493 settlement authority
- 3. Claim #12-0771 settlement authority
- 4. Claim #11-0094 settlement authority
- 5. Claim #12-0482 settlement authority
- 6. Claim #10-0929 settlement authority

Ms. Mack moved to accept the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hawkland and passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hawkland made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Mack and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

Recording Secretary: Shaneka Davis