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TO: All Surplus Lines Agencies

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SUBJECT: Revised 1609-PR Form

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide advanced notice of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department's intent to implement an updated 1609-PR form to be used for surplus lines filings, where applicable, for placements made effective January 1, 2013 and thereafter. The revised 1609-PR form can be viewed on our website under Electronic Filing, Filing Forms or by clicking on the following revised 1609-PR link.

What will change with the revised 1609-PR form is that the writing producer, representing the insured in a given transaction, will no longer be required to list on the 1609-PR form the minimum of three licensed carriers who have declined the risk as defined. What WILL NOT change are the compliance requirements as stated in Section 1609 of the Pennsylvania Surplus Lines Law as amended July 1, 2011 and Section 124.5 of the Regulations that support the Law. Evidence of this process is still required to be documented in the writing producer's file in the event of future request. The risk is still required to be qualified for entrance into the surplus lines market and the 1609-PR form, as part of the total filing, will continue to be made available for public viewing as it has in the past.

All licensees are reminded that this form is not to be utilized before the January 1, 2013 transaction effective date.

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