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# Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

Date: FEB 2 6 2020

**Subject Considered:** 

Insgroup, Inc. 5151 San Felipe, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor Houston, TX 77056

Consent Order TDI Enforcement File No. 22520

### General remarks and official action taken:

This is a consent order with Insgroup, Inc. Insgroup, Inc. failed to timely file surplus lines policies and related documents. Insgroup, Inc. has agreed to pay a \$4,850 administrative penalty for these violations.

#### Waiver

Insgroup, Inc. acknowledges that the Texas Insurance Code and other applicable law provide certain rights. Insgroup, Inc. waives all of these rights, and any other applicable procedural rights, in consideration of the entry of this consent order.

#### **Findings of Fact**

1. Insgroup, Inc., organization identification number 13759, holds a surplus lines license issued by the Texas Department of Insurance.

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- 2. Pursuant to TEX. INS. CODE § 981.105(a), a surplus lines insurance agent must file with the Surplus Lines Stamping Office of Texas either:
  - a. a copy of the policy issued, or
  - b. if the policy has not yet been issued, a copy of the certificate, cover note, or other confirmation of insurance delivered to the insured.

This information is due not later than the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the later of the effective date or the issue date of new or renewal surplus lines insurance.

- 3. In 2018, Insgroup, Inc. filed surplus lines policies late.
- 4. The commissioner previously disciplined Insgroup, Inc. for violating TEX. INS. CODE § 981.105(a) in Official Order No. 2019-5857, entered on January 29, 2019.

## Conclusions of Law

- 1. The commissioner of insurance has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to TEX. INS. CODE §§ 82.051-82.055, 84.021-84.044, and 981.105.
- 2. The commissioner of insurance has authority to informally dispose of this matter under TEX. INS. CODE § 82.055, TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.056, and 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.47.
- 3. Insgroup, Inc. has knowingly and voluntarily waived all procedural rights to which it may have been entitled regarding the entry of this order, including, but not limited to, issuance and service of notice of intention to institute disciplinary action, notice of hearing, a public hearing, a proposal for decision, rehearing by the commissioner, and judicial review.
- 4. Insgroup, Inc. violated Tex. INS. CODE § 981.105(a) by failing to timely file new or renewal surplus lines policies and related documents.

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It is ordered that Insgroup, Inc. must pay an administrative penalty of \$4,850. The administrative penalty must be paid within 30 days from the date of this order. The administrative penalty must be paid by cashier's check or money order made payable to the "State of Texas." Mail the administrative penalty to the Texas Department of Insurance, Attn: Enforcement Division, Division 60851, MC 9999, P.O. Box 149104, Austin, Texas 78714-9104.

Kent C. Sullivan Commissioner of Insurance

By:

Doug Slape Chief Deputy Commissioner Commissioner's Order No. 2018-5528

Recommended and reviewed by:

Leah Gillum, Deputy Commissioner Enforcement Division

Nancy Williams, Attorney Enforcement Division

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## Affidavit

THE STATE OF Texas COUNTY OF Hannis § § §

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the affiant, who being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is **ADEEL RATHO** I am of sound mind, capable of making this statement, and have personal knowledge of these facts which are true and correct.

I hold the office of <u>CFO</u> and am the authorized representative of Insgroup, Inc. I am duly authorized by the organization to execute this statement.

Insgroup, Inc. has knowingly and voluntarily entered into the foregoing consent order and agrees with and consents to the issuance and service of the same by the commissioner of insurance of the state of Texas."

Affiant

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on \_

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(NOTARY SEAL)

EVELYN HOOVER SWEENEY Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 07-02-2022 Notary ID 5436334

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