No. 2020-6578

Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

Date: <u>11/30/2020</u>

Subject Considered:

Slavonic Insurance Company of Texas P.O. Box 1386 Rosenberg, Texas 77471

Consent Order TDI Enforcement File No. 24875

General remarks and official action taken:

This is a consent order with Slavonic Insurance Company of Texas (Slavonic). The department alleges that Slavonic began withdrawing from the Texas market prior to filing and receiving approval for a withdrawal plan.

Waiver

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

Findings of Fact

- 1. Slavonic, company license number 93814, is a fire and casualty insurance company holding a certificate of authority issued by the Texas Department of Insurance to transact the business of insurance in the State of Texas.
- 2. On or about May 1, 2019, Slavonic non-renewed 197 of its Personal Theft and Farmer's Comprehensive Personal Liability policies. These policies represented nearly 75% of Slavonic's active policies.

- 3. Slavonic failed to file a withdrawal plan with the department prior to beginning the withdrawal.
- 4. On or about April 28, 2020, Slavonic filed a completed proposed withdrawal plan with the department for commissioner approval. On July 27, 2020, the department approved Slavonic's withdrawal plan.
- 5. Slavonic has an additional 51 policies that will expire in April 2021. The policies will not be renewed.
- 6. Slavonic is dissolving itself and the parent company, Slavonic Mutual.

Conclusions of Law

- 1. The commissioner has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to TEX. INS. CODE §§ 82.051-82.055, 84.021-84.044, 827.001-827.011; 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 7.1801-7.1808; and TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.051-2001.178.
- 2. The commissioner has the authority to informally dispose of this matter as set forth in TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.056; TEX. INS. CODE § 36.104 and 82.055; and 28 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.47.
- 3. Slavonic 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. Slavonic failed to file a withdrawal plan for approval by the commissioner, in violation of Tex. INS. CODE § 827.003 and 28 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 7.1804.

Order

It is ordered that Slavonic pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000 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" and transmitted to the Texas Department of Insurance, Attn: Enforcement Division 60851, MC 9999, P.O. Box 149104, Austin, Texas 78714-9104.

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Commissioner of Insurance

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Doug Slape Chief Deputy Commissioner TEX. GOV'T CODE § 601.002 Commissioner's Order No. 2018-5528

Recommended and reviewed by:

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Leah Gillum, Deputy Commissioner Enforcement Division

Stephanie Andrews, Staff Attorney Enforcement Division

Approved as to form and content:

Burnie Burner Counsel for Respondent

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Affidavit

STATE OF Texas § COUNTY OF Fort Bend §

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Jed M. Walzel who being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is <u>Jed M. Walzel</u>. I am of sound mind, capable of making this statement, and have personal knowledge of these facts which are true and correct.

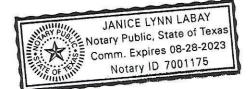
I hold the office of <u>Secretary-Treasurer</u> and am the authorized representative of Slavonic Insurance Company of Texas. I am duly authorized by said organization to execute this statement.

Slavonic Insurance Company of Texas 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."

ed M. Walgel

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on November 9 2020.

(NOTARY SEAL)



Signature of Notary Public

Janice Lynn Labay Printed Name of Notary Public