# Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

Date: 10/12/2023

## **Subject Considered:**

Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. 400 Texas St Ste 100 Shreveport, Louisiana 71101

Consent Order
TDI Enforcement File No. 32857

#### General remarks and official action taken:

This is a consent order with Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. for failing to timely file surplus lines policies and related documents. Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. has agreed to pay an administrative penalty of \$2,150 for these violations.

#### Waiver

Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. acknowledges that the Texas Insurance Code and other applicable law provide certain rights. Risk Services of Louisiana 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. Risk Services of Louisiana Inc., license number 17768, holds a surplus lines license issued by the Texas Department of Insurance.
- 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

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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 60th day after the later of the effective date or the issue date of new or renewal surplus lines insurance.

3. In 2022, Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. filed surplus lines policies and related documents late.

### **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. Risk Services of Louisiana 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. Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. violated Tex. Ins. Code § 981.105(a) by failing to timely file new or renewal surplus lines policies and related documents.

#### Order

It is ordered that Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. must pay an administrative penalty of \$2,150 within 30 days from the date of this order. The administrative penalty must be paid as instructed in the invoice, which the department will send after entry of this order.

Cassie Brown
Commissioner of Insurance

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Recommended and reviewed by:

Leah Gillum, Deputy Commissioner Fraud and Enforcement Division

Stephanie Andrews, Attorney

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Affidavit	
THE STATE OF Louisiana	<b>3</b>
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Before me, the undersigned authority, persor duly sworn, deposed as follows:	nally appeared the affiant, who being by me
"My name is <u>Robert W. Eppers</u> . I statement, and have personal knowledge of t	
I hold the office of <u>COO</u> Risk Services of Louisiana Inc. I am duly autl statement.	and am the authorized representative of norized by the organization to execute this
Risk Services of Louisiana Inc has knowingly consent order and agrees with and consents the commissioner of insurance of the state of	to the issuance and service of the same by
Affiant	
SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on	<u>9/20</u> , 2023.
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