January 16, 2019

Re: Survey of Marketing System Information from All California Licensed Property and Casualty Insurance Companies

To Whom It May Concern:

The Department of Insurance is updating the insurers’ marketing systems data. All California Licensed Property and Casualty Insurance Companies are hereby required to complete the attached survey regarding each company’s 2018 marketing system by June 30, 2019.

Please complete the attached survey. If your company writes a line of insurance consisting of both personal and commercial business, please provide the breakdown for personal vs. commercial data as requested for each category and for each applicable marketing system.

An "Insurance Marketing System" is a method of producing or selling insurance. For this survey, Marketing Systems are defined as follows:

1. Captive Agents – defined as policies sold through a company’s exclusive agents on a commission basis. These agents pay their own business expenses and represent only one company or group.

2. Direct Writers – defined as policies sold directly to the public by mail, telephone, or by the insurance company’s employees. Business generated through a website on the internet is also included.

3. Independent Agents/Brokers – defined as policies sold through independent agents/brokers who pay their own business expenses, own their renewal business, and represent several insurance companies.

If your company is licensed in California but is not currently writing any business, please mark the applicable box on the Signature Page of the survey and mail a copy of the page to the Department.

If your company is currently writing in California, please complete the Marketing System Survey. The survey can be downloaded from the Department’s internet site at: http://www.insurance.ca.gov/0250-insurers/0300-insurers/0100-applications/rsb-forms/index.cfm

Please submit the completed survey to the Rate Specialist Bureau by sending an electronic copy of the file by e-mail to: rsbmktsys@insurance.ca.gov.
Any questions or correspondence can be directed to:

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Attention: Rate Specialist Bureau  
300 South Spring Street, South Tower, 11th Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Fax #: (213) 897-6361  
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** The completed survey is due: June 30, 2019 **

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

GEORGE YEN  
Chief, Rate Specialist Bureau  
Rate Regulation Branch