FILING INSTRUCTIONS

**for use only if filing zero tax due**

All Surplus Line Brokers and Special Lines Surplus Line Brokers, who held a license during the reporting year and has no taxable pemiums transacted, must complete this form. Fill out all items. A return is to be completed for each surplus line license. No group filings are accepted.

Any questions regarding the completion of the Annual Statement and Tax Return please contact the California Department of Insurance, Premium Tax Audit Bureau by e-mail at premiumtaxaudit@insurance.ca.gov

**DUE ON MARCH 1st 2016**

The Annual Statement and Tax Return for the calendar year 2015 - Send original to the California Department of Insurance, Tax Accounting/EFT Unit. The postmark date or the express mail date will determine if the return was mailed in a timely manner.

First Class or Express Delivery

Department of Insurance

Tax Accounting/EFT Unit

300 Capitol Mall, Suite 14000

Sacramento, CA 95814

**The Annual Statement and Tax Return must be postmarked on or before March 1 following the end of the calendar year. When the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or State or Federal legal holiday, the statement and tax return are considered timely if postmarked on the next business day.**

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**Complete the tax form by filling all the required information. Do not write in the column labeled “CDI use only”.**

Check all boxes that apply: Brokers submitting a final return (license has expired and no further business will be transacted), must indicate the effective date of the final transaction. Brokers submitting an amended return, must write the word **“Amended”** on Page 1 at the center space just above the Broker’s name.

Line 1

If no taxable premium is transacted during the reporting year, continue to the next line.

Line 2

This is the Statement of Trust Assets and Liabilities as of December 31, 2015 for California Surplus Line

Business only. If using fiscal year basis, state the year-end date on the line provided (month/day/year).

This is a quick test of the accumulation totals of the California Surplus Line Trust Fund. See the sample below:

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| Description of Trust Assets: Cash Trust Premiums ReceivableAny securities held in this account | Description of Trust Liabilities: Premiums PayableSurplus Line Tax PayableStamping Fees Payable |

**Line 3:**

This is the Statement of Nontaxable Business written pursuant to the California Insurance Code Section 1760.5. All Special Lines Surplus Line Brokers are required to complete this Section even if the business transacted was nontaxable for the calendar year 2015 pursuant to the California Insurance Code Section 1760.5(4)(d).

**Line 4:**

Provide the name, title, phone number and e-mail address of the contact person should there be any questions regarding this annual statement and tax return

**Surplus Line Broker’s Certification**

Surplus Line Broker’s Certification is to be completed by the broker declaring under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of California that the annual statement and tax return, including any accompanying schedules or statements, has been examined by the broker, and is true, correct, and complete. The certification may be signed in blue or black ink.