REPORT OF EXAMINATION OF THE 21st CENTURY SUPERIOR INSURANCE COMPANY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

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Los Angeles, California May 16, 2019

Honorable Ricardo Lara Insurance Commissioner California Department of Insurance Sacramento, California

Dear Commissioner:

Pursuant to your instructions, an examination was made of the

21st CENTURY SUPERIOR INSURANCE COMPANY

(hereinafter also referred to as the Company) at the primary location of its books and records, 3 Beaver Valley Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19803. The Company's statutory home office is located at 2710 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 150N, Sacramento, California 95833.

SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

We have performed our multi-state examination of the Company. The previous examination of the Company was made as of December 31, 2013. This examination covers the period from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2017.

The examination was conducted in accordance with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook (Handbook)*. The Handbook requires the planning and performance of the examination to evaluate the Company's financial condition, assess corporate governance, identify current and prospective risks, and evaluate system controls and procedures used to mitigate those risks. An examination also includes identifying and evaluating significant risks that could cause an insurer's surplus to be materially misstated, both currently and prospectively. All accounts and activities of the Company were considered in accordance with the riskfocused examination process. This may include assessing significant estimates made by management and evaluating management's compliance with Statutory Accounting Principles. The examination does not attest to the fair presentation of the financial statements included herein. If, during the course of the examination, an adjustment is identified, the impact of such adjustment will be documented separately following the Company's financial statements.

This examination report includes findings of fact and general information about the Company and its financial condition. There might be other items identified during the examination that, due to their nature (e.g., subjective conclusions, proprietary information, etc.), were not included within the examination report, but separately communicated to other regulators and/or the Company.

This was a coordinated examination with California as the lead state of the Farmers Insurance Group. The states of Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania participated on the examination, and it was conducted concurrently with the examinations of the following insurance entities in the holding company group:

Group/Company	NAIC CoCode	Domiciled State
FARMERS INSURANCE EXCHANGE GROUP		
Farmers Insurance Company of Arizona	21598	AZ
Farmers Insurance Exchange (the Exchange)	21652	CA
Truck Insurance Exchange	21709	CA
Fire Insurance Exchange	21660	CA
Civic Property and Casualty Company	10315	CA
Neighborhood Spirit Property and Casualty Company	10317	CA
Exact Property and Casualty Company	10318	CA
Mid-Century Insurance Company	21687	CA
Farmers Insurance Company of Idaho	21601	ID
Farmers New Century Insurance Company	10806	IL
Illinois Farmers Insurance Company	21679	IL
Farmers Insurance Company Inc.	21628	KS
Farmers Insurance of Columbus, Inc.	36889	ОН

Group/Company	NAIC CoCode	Domiciled State
FARMERS INSURANCE EXCHANGE GROUP (continued)		
Farmers Insurance Company of Oregon	21636	OR
Texas Farmers Insurance Company	21695	ТХ
Farmers Texas County Mutual Insurance Company	24392	ТХ
Mid Century Insurance Company of Texas	28673	ТХ
Farmers Insurance Company of Washington	21644	WA

Group/Company	NAIC CoCode	Domiciled State
COAST NATIONAL/BRISTOL WEST GROUP		
Coast National Insurance Company Security National Insurance Company Bristol West Preferred Insurance Company Bristol West Casualty Insurance Company Bristol West Insurance Company	25089 33120 12774 11034 19658	CA FL MI OH OH

Group/Company	NAIC CoCode	Domiciled State
FOREMOST GROUP		
Foremost Insurance Company Grand Rapids, Michigan Foremost Property and Casualty Insurance Company	11185 11800	MI MI
Foremost Signature Insurance Company Farmers Specialty Insurance Company Foremost County Mutual Insurance Company	41513 43699 29254	MI MI TX
Foremost Lloyds of Texas	41688	ТХ

Group/Company	NAIC CoCode	Domiciled State
21st CENTURY INSURANCE GROUP		
21st Century Casualty Company	36404	CA
21st Century Insurance Company	12963	CA
21st Century Superior Insurance Company	43761	CA
21st Century Pacific Insurance Company	23795	CO
21st Century Assurance Company	44245	DE
American Pacific Insurance Company, Inc.	10805	HI
Farmers Insurance Hawaii, Inc.	28487	HI
21st Century Advantage Insurance Company	25232	MN

Group/Company	NAIC CoCode	Domiciled State				
21st CENTURY INSURANCE GROUP (continued)						
21st Century Auto Insurance Company of New Jersey	10184	NJ				
21st Century Pinnacle Insurance Company	10710	NJ				
21st Century National Insurance Company ^(a)	36587	NY				
21st Century North America Insurance Company	32220	NY				
21st Century Centennial Insurance Company	34789	PA				
21st Century Indemnity Insurance Company	43974	PA				
21st Century Preferred Insurance Company	22225	PA				
21st Century Premier Insurance Company	20796	PA				
21st Century Security Insurance Company ^(b)	23833	PA				
21st Century Insurance Company of the Southwest	10245	ТХ				

 (a) 21st Century National Insurance Company was sold to Plymouth Rock Assurance Corporation (Plymouth), effective April 1, 2018.

(b) 21st Century Security Insurance Company (Security) was sold to Plymouth, which assigned its right to acquire Security to High Point Preferred Insurance Company, effective August 1, 2018.

Group/Company	NAIC CoCode	Domiciled State
ZURI	CH GROUP	
Farmers Reinsurance Company	10873	CA

Except for the Farmers Reinsurance Company, which is part of the Zurich Group, all the above companies are part of the Farmers Insurance Group of companies.

COMPANY HISTORY

On July 1, 2009, Farmers Group, Inc. (FGI), a Nevada corporation that is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Zurich Financial Services, Ltd., purchased the 21st Century Personal Auto Group (21st Century PAG) companies which included the Company's parent, 21st Century Insurance Group, from American International Group (AIG). Subsequently, on July 1, 2009, FGI sold 80% of the shares of the 21st Century PAG entities to Farmers Insurance Exchange (Exchange), and 10% of the shares each to Fire Insurance Exchange (Fire), and Truck Insurance Exchange (Truck). FGI, doing business as Farmers Underwriters Association, is the Attorney-in-Fact for the

Exchange; Fire Underwriters Association is Attorney-in-Fact for Fire; and Truck Underwriters Association is the Attorney-in-Fact for Truck. FGI owns 100% of the Fire Underwriters Association and Truck Underwriters Association. The California Department of Insurance approved FGI's acquisition and subsequent sale, as described above, of the 21st Century PAG companies from AIG, effective July 1, 2009. Effective April 1, 2010, the Company changed its name from American International Insurance Company of California, Inc. to 21st Century Superior Insurance Company.

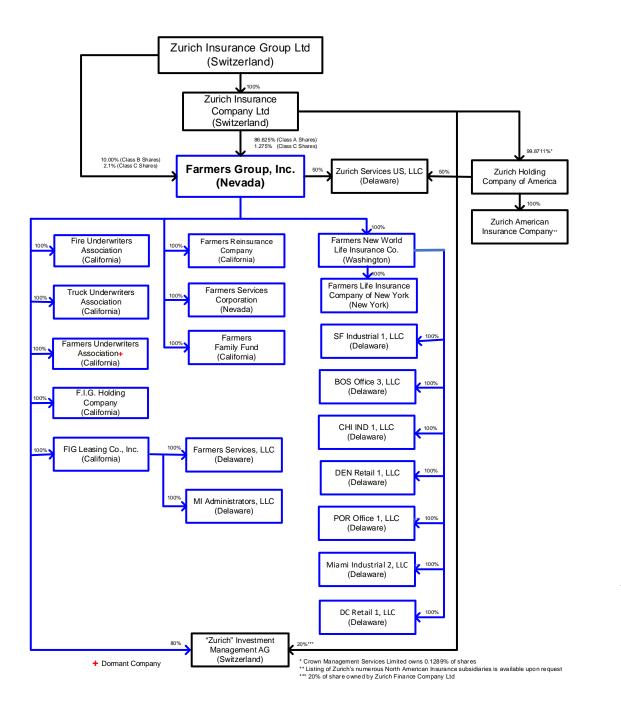
Capitalization

The Company is authorized to issue 100,000 shares of common stock with a par value of \$32.50 per share. As of December 31, 2017, there were 80,000 shares issued and outstanding.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

The Company is a member of an insurance holding company system. The following organizational chart shows the interrelationship of the Company with its ultimate parents, along with its subsidiaries within the holding company system. All ownership is 100% unless denoted otherwise:

ZURICH ORGANIZATION (NAIC GROUP CODE 0212)



FARMERS EXCHANGES ORGANIZATION (NAIC GROUP CODE 0069)

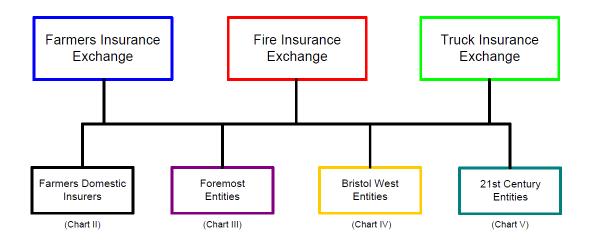


CHART II: EXCHANGES/FARMERS ENTITIES ORGANIZATION

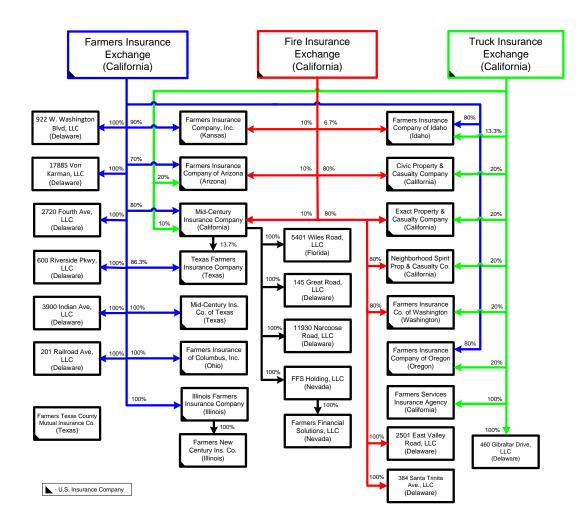
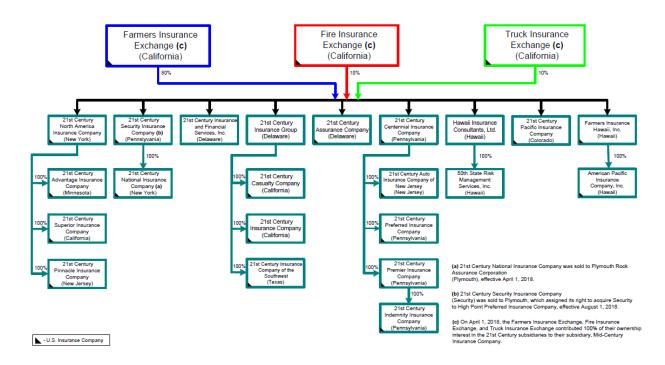


CHART V: EXCHANGES/21st CENTURY ORGANIZATION



Management of the Company is vested in a board of directors of not less than five but not more than twenty members, who are elected annually. Following are members of the board and principal officers of the Company serving at December 31, 2017:

Directors

Name and Location

Richard M. Ferraro ^(a) Thousand Oaks, California

Scott W. Hood ^(b) Leawood, Kansas

Gail N. Jackson Playa del Rey, California

Sherman L. Lewis, III Pearland, Texas

Gerald A. McElroy ^(f) La Quinta, California

Principal Business Affiliation

West Region Director Private Equity Consulting

Senior Consultant Rockdale Group

Physician

President The Lewis Group

Board Member Real Benefits Group

Directors

Name and Location

Thomas S. Noh ^(g) Thousand Oaks, California

Glenn A. Pfeil ^(c) Wilmington, Delaware

Principal Business Affiliation

Head, Claims Finance & Exchange Strategy Farmers Insurance Group, Inc.

President 21st CA and HI Farmers Insurance Group, Inc.

Principal Officers

<u>Name</u>

Title

Glenn A. Pfeil ^(c) Keith G. Daly ^(d) Ronald G. Myhan ^(e) James L. Nutting Theresa L. Harm Maura C. Popp Jeffrey L. Pepper President Vice President Vice President Actuary Treasurer Secretary Assistant Treasurer

- ^(a) Guy M. Hanson was elected to the board of directors, replacing Richard M. Ferraro, effective March 20, 2018.
- ^(b) On June 6, 2018, the sole shareholder of the Company conducted an election of directors, via unanimous written consent, at which time Scott W. Hood departed the board of directors.
- ^(c) William D. Loucks, Jr. was elected to the board of directors and as President, replacing Glenn A. Pfeil, effective October 1, 2018.
- ^(d) Robert P. Howard was elected as Vice President, replacing Keith G. Daly, effective June 11, 2018.
- ^(e) Thomas S. Noh was elected as Vice President and Assistant Treasurer, replacing Ronald G. Myhan, effective June 1, 2019.
- ^(f) On March 20, 2018 the sole shareholder of the Company conducted an election of directors, via unanimous written consent, at which time Gerald A. McElroy departed the board of directors.
- ^(g) Timothy J. Murray was elected to the board of directors, replacing Thomas S. Noh, effective March 19, 2019

Management Agreements

Investment Management Agreement: Farmers Group, Inc. (FGI), acting on behalf of the Exchanges (Farmers Insurance Exchange, Fire Insurance Exchange, Truck Insurance Exchange, and the subsidiaries of these Exchanges), entered into an Investment Management Agreement with the following third-party advisor to act as the investment manager:

- DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc.: FGI entered into an Investment Management Agreement dated July 1, 1998, amended January 31, 2009, and April 12, 2011, with its affiliate, Scudder Kemper Investments Inc. (Scudder). In 2002, Scudder was acquired and replaced by Deutsche Asset Management, and the name changed to Deutsche Investment Management Americas, Inc. In March of 2018, the name changed to DWS Investment Americas, Inc. (Deutsche). Deutsche, a non-affiliate, manages the fixed income and equity asset portfolios. Fees are based on a sliding scale percentage of the value of the portfolio being managed.
- Wells Capital Management, Inc.: FGI entered into an Investment Management Agreement, dated March 6, 2015, with Wells Capital Management, Inc., a nonaffiliate, to manage the municipal and tax-exempt securities portfolio. Fees are based on a sliding scale percentage of the value of the portfolio being managed.

Tax Sharing Agreement: Effective September 1, 2013, the Company entered into a Tax Sharing Agreement with the Exchange, and its various insurance and non-insurance affiliates and subsidiaries. The Exchange is the party primarily responsible for filing and making all tax payments on behalf of the parties to this agreement. Allocation of taxes is based upon separate return calculations, with intercompany tax balances payable or receivable being settled in amounts equal to the amounts if separate returns were filed. Intercompany balances are settled monthly with the final settlement made within 30 days after the final filing date of the consolidated return. This agreement was approved by the California Department of Insurance (CDI) on February 18, 2014, pursuant to

California Insurance Code (CIC) Section 1215.5(b)(4), as well as by the regulators of the domiciliary states of the Exchange's affiliates outside of California.

The Company's portion of the federal income taxes paid under the Tax Sharing Agreement for 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017 was \$44,835, \$93,819, \$65,407, and \$117,380 respectively.

TERRITORY AND PLAN OF OPERATION

The Company is currently dormant with no in-force policies. It is anticipated that the Company will be merged out of existence. As of December 31, 2017, the Company was licensed to write property and casualty lines of business only in California.

LOSS EXPERIENCE

The following schedule reflects the net underwriting and net investment results along with the net income and losses as reported by the Company in its financial statements for the years under examination, and through December 31, 2018:

<u>Year</u>	Net Premiums <u>Written</u>	Net derwriting <u>s/(Losses)</u>	-	t Investment ins/(Losses)	Inc	Net come/(Losses)
2014	\$	\$ (81,259)	\$	804,463	\$	678,369
2015		68,046		557,880		540,629
2016		(10,099)		375,456		299,951
2017				399,501		282,121
Sub-totals	\$	\$ (23,312)	\$	2,137,300	\$	1,801,070
2018				467,065		375,574
Totals	<u>\$</u>	\$ (23,312)	\$	2,604,365	\$	2,176,644

Given the changes to the intercompany reinsurance and pooling arrangement in 2016 described in the "REINSURANCE" section, the Company's 2017 and forward net

underwriting losses will be zero. Moving forward, the Company's only source of income or loss will be the result of investment-related activities.

REINSURANCE

Amended and Restated Intercompany Pooling Agreement

The Company is a party to the Amended and Restated Intercompany Pooling Agreement (Amended Agreement). In accordance with the terms of the Amended Agreement, 100% of the net business written by each of the participants is ceded to 21st Century North America Insurance Company (21st CNAIC), the lead company in the 21st Century Personal Lines Intercompany Pool (Pool).

Under the terms of the Amended Agreement, liabilities relating to losses with a date of loss prior to July 1, 2009, are ceded to the pool members by 21st CNAIC, based on each pool member's fixed pooling participation percentage. Losses which have a date of loss on and after July 1, 2009 are ceded to Farmers Insurance Exchange (Exchange) by 21st CNAIC, under a 100% quota share reinsurance agreement. The Amended Agreement also provides for 21st CNAIC to assume the responsibility and expense to provide for the management of the other members in the Pool, for which the Exchange will provide or arrange for these services.

Pursuant to Amendment No. 1 of the Amended Agreement (Amendment No. 1), effective June 1, 2016, 21st Century Auto Insurance Company of New Jersey, 21st Century Insurance Company of the Southwest, and the Company (collectively referred to as Novated Companies) were removed as pool participants; however, each has:

- Assigned, transferred and conveyed to 21st CNAIC, and 21st CNAIC accepted and assumed from each of these companies:
 - 1. Each of these companies' rights, title, and interest in the pooling agreement;

- 2. Each of the insurance policies to which each of these companies is a party to, and all of their duties, obligations, and liabilities under the pooling agreement and each insurance policy to which these companies are a party to; and
- The parties agreed that 21st CNAIC would replace these companies under the pooling agreement, such that these companies would no longer be a party to the pooling agreement.

The assignment and transfer by these Novated Companies to 21st CNAIC are also subject to three separate companion Assignment, Transfer, and Assumption and Novation Agreements (Novation Agreements) for each of these Novated Companies. The Company signed each of these Novation Agreements as a consenting party.

In addition, Amendment No. 1 removed Article IV: "Cessions to Pool Members from the Amended and Restated Pooling Agreement," the effect of which shall be to cease all pre-Effective Date retrocessions from 21st CNAIC to the pool participants.

The following is a list of remaining member companies in the Pool subject to this Amended Agreement as of December 31, 2017:

Pool Participant	Pool Share (%)
21st Century North America Insurance Company (Lead Company)	100.00
21st Century Casualty Company	0.00
21st Century Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Pacific Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Assurance Company	0.00
American Pacific Insurance Company, Inc.	0.00
Farmers Insurance Hawaii, Inc.	0.00
21st Century Advantage Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Pinnacle Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century National Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Centennial Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Indemnity Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Preferred Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Premier Insurance Company	0.00
21st Century Security Insurance Company	0.00
Total	<u>100.00</u>

Amendment No.1 and the separate Novation Agreements were non-disapproved by the New York Department of Financial Services (NYDFS) on January 11, 2017. The California Department of Insurance (CDI) accepted NYDFS's approval of Amendment No. 1, since it is the regulator of 21st CNAIC, the lead company in the Pool, and since these agreements were required to include CDI's specific regulatory requirements before they were non-disapproved by the NYDFS. The CDI also separately approved the Novation agreement for 21st Century Superior Insurance Company, under California Insurance Code Section 1011(c). Each of the other respective regulators of the domiciliary states of the Pool members have also approved these agreements.

Assumed

Other than a participation in the aforementioned Amended Agreement, the Company has no reinsurance assumed.

<u>Ceded</u>

Other than a participation in the aforementioned Amended Agreement, the Company has no reinsurance ceded.

ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

California Insurance Code (CIC) Section 734 requires that every company or person from whom information is sought, and its officers, directors, employees, and agents, shall provide to the examiners appointed pursuant to this article, timely, convenient, and free access at all reasonable hours at its offices to all books, records, accounts, papers, documents, and any or all computer or other recordings relating to the property, assets, business, and affairs of the company being examined. During the course of this examination, the examiners were not provided full access to all of the information requested from the Company. It is recommended that the Company adhere to CIC Section 734 by providing full access to all books, records, accounts, papers, documents, and any or all computer or other recordings relating to the property, assets, business, and affairs of the companies being examined and implement procedures to ensure future compliance with CIC Section 734.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following financial statements are based on the statutory financial statements filed by the Company with the California Department of Insurance, and present the financial condition of the Company for the period ending December 31, 2017. The accompanying comments to the amounts reported in the annual statements should be considered an integral part of the financial statements. There were no examination adjustments made to surplus as a result of the examination.

Statement of Financial Condition as of December 31, 2017

Underwriting and Investment Exhibit for the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Reconciliation of Surplus as Regards Policyholders from December 31, 2013 through December 31, 2017

Statement of Financial Condition as of December 31, 2017

Assets	Ledger and Nonledger Assets			et Admitted Assets	<u>Notes</u>
Bonds Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments Investment income due and accrued Receivable from parent, subsidiaries and affiliates	\$29,446,198 1,455,259 96,279 331		\$	29,446,198 1,455,259 96,279 <u>331</u>	
Total assets	<u>\$ </u>		<u>\$</u>	30,998,067	
Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds					
Losses and loss adjustment expenses Reinsurance payable on paid loss and loss adjust. Expe Net deferred tax liability	enses		\$	0 0 <u>6,882</u>	(1) (2)
Total liabilities				6,882	
Common capital stock Gross paid in and contributed surplus Unassigned funds (surplus)	-	2,600,000 9,678,380 <u>18,712,805</u>			
Surplus as regards policyholders				30,991,185	
Total liabilities, surplus and other funds			<u>\$</u>	30,998,067	

Underwriting and Investment Exhibit for the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Statement of Income

Underwriting	Income
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Premiums earned			\$	0	
Deductions:					
Losses incurred Loss adjustment expenses incurred Other underwriting expenses incurred Aggregate write-ins for underwriting deductions	\$	0 0 0 0			
Total underwriting deductions				0	
Net underwriting gain or loss				0	
Investment Income					
Net investment income earned Net realized capital gains	\$	399,967 (466)			
Net investment gain				399,501	
Net income before federal and foreign income taxes				399,501	
Federal and foreign income taxes incurred				117,380	
Net income			<u>\$</u>	282,121	
Capital and Surplus Account					
Surplus as regards policyholders, December 31, 2016			\$	30,697,179	
Net income Change in net deferred income tax	\$	282,121 <u>11,885</u>			
Change in surplus as regards policyholders for the year				294,006	
Surplus as regards policyholders, December 31, 2017			<u>\$</u>	30,991,185	

Reconciliation of Surplus as Regards Policyholders from December 31, 2013 through December 31, 2017

Surplus as regards policyholders, December 31, 2013 per Examination			\$ 29,213,100
	Gain in Surplus	Loss in Surplus	
Net income Change in net deferred income tax Change in nonadmitted assets	\$ 1,801,070 9,655	\$32,640	
Total gains and losses	<u>\$ 1,810,725</u>	<u>\$ 32,640</u>	
Net increase in surplus as regards policyholders			1,778,085

Surplus as regards policyholders, December 31, 2017, per Examination

<u>\$ 30,991,185</u>

COMMENTS ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT ITEMS

(1) Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses

Since the business of the Farmers Insurance Group was pooled, it was necessary to review the losses and loss adjustment expenses on a group-wide basis. Based on an analysis by a Senior Casualty Actuary from the California Department of Insurance, the Farmers Insurance Group's losses and loss adjustment expense reserves as of December 31, 2017, were found to be reasonably stated, and have been accepted for purposes of this examination.

(2) Net Deferred Tax Liabilities

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (H.R.1) was enacted into law on December 22, 2017. The Company re-valued the deferred tax assets and liabilities from a 35% corporate tax rate to the enacted 21% corporate tax rate at December 31, 2017. The re-valuation resulted in an immaterial decrease in net admitted deferred tax liabilities and is reflected as a direct charge to surplus in the appropriate categories in the accompanying financial statements.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On April 1, 2018, the Farmers Insurance Exchange, Fire Insurance Exchange, and Truck Insurance Exchange contributed 100% of their ownership interest in the 21st Century subsidiaries to their subsidiary, Mid-Century Insurance Company. This non-cash transaction was accounted for as a reorganization and change in ownership interest in all of the 21st Century subsidiaries.

The restructuring transaction qualified for an exemption to the Form A requirements under California Insurance Code Section 1215.2(g), and the exemption was granted by the California Department of Insurance on February 27, 2018. The following is a summary of the transfer/cost of the acquired equity for each of the acquired entities:

Acquired Entity	Transfer/Cost of Acquired Equity	
21st Century North America Insurance Company and its subsidiaries	\$	364,934,606
21st Century Assurance Company		49,764,837
21st Century Pacific Insurance Company		33,846,757
21st Centennial Insurance Company and its subsidiaries		303,797,480
Farmers Insurance of Hawaii, Inc. and its subsidiaries		61,674,560
21st Century Insurance Group and its subsidiaries		771,815,822
Totals	<u>\$</u>	1,585,834,062

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Current Report of Examination

Accounts and Records (Page 14): It is recommended that the Company adhere to California Insurance Code (CIC) Section 734 by providing full access to all books, records, accounts, papers, documents, and any or all computer or other recordings relating to the property, assets, business, and affairs of the companies being examined and implement procedures to ensure future compliance with CIC Section 734.

Previous Report of Examination

Accounts and Records (Page 10): It was recommended that the Company continue to address the recommendations made regarding its information systems controls. The Company continues to address these recommendations.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Acknowledgment is made of the assistance extended by the Company's officers and employees during the course of this examination.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Joseph G. Jacobs, CFE Examiner-In-Charge Contract Insurance Examiner Department of Insurance State of California

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