## APPLICATION TO AMEND TEXAS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

The following items are required to be filed prior to amending an insurer company's Certificate of Authority in Texas.

1. Filing Fee:

If not amending Articles of Incorporations, a filing fee of \$50 OR If Articles of Incorporation are to be amended: \$125 OR If Articles of Incorporation are to be restated: \$250.

- 2. A cover letter <u>must</u> accompany the application and specify how the Company wishes to amend its the Certificate of Authority. For example: addition of which lines and/or deletion of which lines.
- 3. A completed Application for Certificate of Authority. Property and casualty insurance companies <u>must</u> complete a Standard Coverages Page. Please note that reinsurance is <u>automatically</u> authorized for property and casualty companies for all lines authorized to be written on a direct basis, and it will appear on the amended Certificate of Authority even if not specifically requested.
- 4. Return the <u>original</u> Texas Certificate of Authority (with gold seal) for cancellation and re-issue.
- 5. Foreign Insurers:
  - a. If <u>adding</u> a line of insurance, provide a certified copy of the Certificate of Authority from the state of domicile, which must show like authority. Include a copy of the domiciliary state's statutes pertaining to the lines of insurance that are being added.
  - b. If amending or restating Articles of Incorporation: Provide amended Articles of Incorporation certified by state of domicile.
- 6. If deleting a line of insurance: A withdrawal plan must be submitted pursuant to Texas Insurance Code Article 21.49-2C and 28 TAC, §§7.1801-7.1808. Please contact Company Licensing & Registration for more information regarding the filing of a withdrawal plan.

If adding a line of insurance: Please indicate in the cover letter whether or not a withdrawal plan for that line of insurance has previously been filed with this Department.

- 7. If adding a line of insurance, submit a business plan including but not limited to the following information:
  - Types of business to be written and markets to be targeted;
  - Method of production of business and commission rates;
  - Who will establish the reserves and pay the claims?
  - The names of the reinsurers, the types of agreements, the commission rates, percent of business retained and settlement periods;
  - Financial projections, prepared on calendar quarters basis, covering a three (3) year period, detailing written, assumed, ceded, and earned premiums and expenses broken down, net underwriting gain/(loss), net income/(loss). Also, include admitted assets, liabilities, policyholder surplus and cash flow statements in the projections.
- 8. If adding a liability line of insurance, a Loss Control Package must be submitted to and approved by the Loss Control Division <u>prior</u> to amending the Certificate of Authority. If adding workers' compensation, an Accident Prevention Plan must be filed and approved by the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission <u>prior</u> to amending Certificate of Authority. Please refer to the attached instructions for these items. (Company Licensing & Registration will notify the Loss Control Division by e-mail, when the application is filed.)

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS IMPEDE TIMELY REVIEW BY THE DEPARTMENT, THEREFORE, IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT APPLICATIONS ARE COMPLETE. SUBMIT A COMPLETE FILING TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, COMPANY LICENSING & REGISTRATION DIVISION, MC 305-2C, P. O. BOX 149104, AUSTIN, TX 78714-9104. FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION, CALL (512) 322-4370.

THESE GUIDELINES ARE GENERAL IN NATURE AND DO NOT SUPERCEDE STATUTE OR REGULATION. THEY ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE ALL INCLUSIVE AND ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION MAY BE REQUESTED.

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