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Teresa Miller named Insurance Division administrator

(Salem) — Teresa Miller has been appointed administrator of the Department of Consumer and Business Services Insurance Division, Director Cory Streisinger announced today. Miller joined the Insurance Division in July 2008 and has been serving as acting administrator since November.

"Throughout her career and her time at the Insurance Division, Teresa has shown strong leadership skills and an ability to bring parties together to address complex issues," Streisinger said. "We are fortunate to have her in this key role at DCBS."

An Oregon native, Miller has a strong background in legislative and policy issues, serving as legislative director for Governor Ted Kulongoski, a lobbyist for several businesses and organizations, and an attorney for the Oregon Department of Justice. Miller has a law degree from Willamette University College of Law and a bachelor's degree in political science and psychology from Pacific Lutheran University.

At DCBS, Miller leads the 90-employee Insurance Division, which helps ensure the financial soundness of insurers, the fair treatment of consumers, and the affordability and availability of insurance products in Oregon. The division accomplishes this by licensing insurance companies and producers, reviewing insurance products and premium rates, monitoring insurer solvency, enforcing insurance laws, helping resolve consumer complaints, advocating for reform to address consumer problems, and educating the public about insurance issues.

"I look forward to continuing to work with Insurance Division staff and our stakeholders on the many diverse issues affecting the insurance industry in Oregon," Miller said.

For more information about the Insurance Division, visit <u>www.insurance.oregon.gov</u>. The Department of Consumer and Business Services is Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. For more information, visit <u>www.dcbs.oregon.gov</u>.

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