STATE OF CONNECTICUT

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

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IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET MC 17-35

AXIS Insurance Company

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STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

It is hereby stipulated and agreed between AXIS Insurance Company and the State of Connecticut Insurance Department by and through Katharine L. Wade, Insurance Commissioner to wit:

I

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Market Conduct investigation, the Commissioner alleges the following with respect to AXIS Insurance Company.

1. AXIS Insurance Company, hereinafter referred to as Respondent, is domiciled in the State of Illinois and is licensed to transact the business of an insurance company in the State of Connecticut under license number 37273 and is authorized to write accident and health and property and casualty insurance.

2. Information and exhibits received in this department pursuant to an investigation indicate that during the approximate time frame March 3, 2014 to October 1, 2016, Respondent failed to establish practices and procedures to ensure compliance with statutory requirements resulting in instances of :

   a. Use of unapproved Group Hospital Indemnity policy forms that failed to comply with Connecticut requirements.

3. The conduct as described above violates §38a-481 of the Connecticut General Statutes; and constitutes cause for the imposition of a fine or other administrative penalty under §§38a-2 and 38a-41 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

II

1. WHEREAS, Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations contained in paragraphs two and three of Article I of this Stipulation; and

2. WHEREAS, Respondent agrees to undertake a complete review of its practices and procedures to ensure compliance with Connecticut statutes in the areas of concern, as described in the Market Conduct Report and this Stipulation; and

3. WHEREAS, Respondent agrees to provide the Insurance Commissioner with a summary of actions taken to comply with the Recommendations in the Market Conduct Report within ninety (90) days of the date of this document; and

4. WHEREAS, Respondent agrees to undertake the following additional actions for the allegations contained in Paragraphs 2 and 3 of Article I:

   - Provide funding to the Department or an organization designated by the Department in the amount of $20,000 to support consumer outreach and education programs.

5. WHEREAS, Respondent, being desirous of terminating this proceeding without the necessity of a formal proceeding or further litigation, does consent to the making of this Consent Order and voluntarily waives:

   a. any right to a hearing; and

   b. any requirement that the Insurance Commissioner's decision contain a statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law; and

   c. any and all rights to object to or challenge before the Insurance Commissioner or in any judicial proceeding any aspect, provision or requirement of this Stipulation.

NOW THEREFORE, upon the consent of the parties, it is hereby ordered and adjudged:

1. That the Insurance Commissioner has jurisdiction of the subject matter of this administrative proceeding.

2. That AXIS Insurance Company will provide funding in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) and the other items as set forth in Article II, Paragraph 4 in full and final settlement of the claims, allegations and findings in this Stipulation and Consent Order as set forth herein and above.

By:_____
(Representative of Insurance Company)

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned deposes and says that he/she has duly executed this Stipulation and Consent Order on this 9TH day of APRIL 2017 for and on behalf of AXIS Insurance Company, that he/she is the GENERAL COUNSEL & SECRETARY of such company, and he/she has authority to execute and file such instrument.

By: _____

State of Georgia

County of Fulton

Personally appeared on this 9TH day of April 2017, Andrew M. Weissert signer and sealer of the foregoing Stipulation and Consent Order, acknowledged same to be his/her free act and deed before me.

Brenda Reese
Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

BRENDA REESE NOTARY PUBLIC FORSYTH COUNTY, GEORGIA MY Commission EXPIRES 04-12-2019

Section Below To Be Completed by State of Connecticut Insurance Department

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Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 18 day of April 2017.

Katharine L. Wade
Insurance Commissioner