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STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF INSURANCE

In the Matter of:

Cochrane Agency Inc

Licensee

Case No. D 24-19

STIPULATED AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Division of Insurance (division) and Cochrane Agency Inc, (Cochrane), the licensee in this case, stipulate and agree to the following:

I. BACKGROUND

- A. Cochrane holds surplus lines broker license number 55860.
- B. Under AS 21.06.120, the division performed a limited and targeted premium tax audit of Cochrane's surplus lines business for the period January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023.

 The audit was completed and a report and order approving the report were issued on May 16, 2024, under TA 24-02. Both were sent to Cochrane on May 16, 2024.
- C. Under four failed finding in the audit report, 75 violations of AS 21.34 were identified as being within the control of Cochrane to correct in order to comply with Alaska insurance laws.
- D. These 75 violations of AS 21.34 subjects Cochrane to civil penaltics under AS 21.34.230.

II. TERMS OF AGREEMENT

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1. The division agrees that the next audit performed on Cochrane related hereto will exclude any quarter ending before January 1, 2025.

- 2. For the TA 24-02 audit violations, Cochrane agrees to pay a civil penalty under AS 21.34.230 in the amount of \$40,000 with \$20,000 suspended. The unsuspended penalty of \$20,000 is payable within three months of the date Cochrane is notified the director has signed the order approving this agreement.
- 3. In the event Cochrane is found to have violated the Alaska insurance laws during the next audit resulting in failed findings, the suspended portion of the penalty referenced in paragraph 2 will be reinstated. Cochrane also will be subject to any and all sanctions authorized by the insurance laws including imposing additional penalties.
- 5. By signing this agreement, Cochrane understands and agrees that any failure to comply with the terms of this agreement may be grounds to revoke, suspend, or non-renew Alaska surplus lines broker license number 55860.
- 6. Cochrane understands that this agreement is not binding on the parties unless and until the director signs the order approving the agreement.

DATED: 6/18/2024

DIVISION OF INSURANCE

Rebecca Nesheim Tax Auditor

DATED: 6/18/24

COCHRANE ANGENCY INC

Thomas Cochrane Compliance Officer

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DATED: 6/18/24 TREGR. TAYLOR ATTORNEY GENERAL 2 Daniel Wilkerson 3 Assistant Attorney General 4 5 **ORDER** 6 IT IS ORDERED that this Stipulated Agreement and Order is adopted in full 7 resolution of the issues in this case, and shall constitute the final order in this matter. 8 DATED this 19th day of June , 2024. 9 Lori Wing-Heier

Lori Wing-Heier 10 11 Director 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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