STATE OF ALASKA

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

In the Matter of:	
BELLINGHAM UNDERWRITERS, INC.	
Licensee)
)

Case No. D 14-09

STIPULATED AGREEMENT AND ORDER

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

I. BACKGROUND

- A. Bellingham holds insurance producer license number 50690.
- B. On or about June 18, 2013 the division sent a notice to Bellingham's designated responsible licensed producer (compliance officer) to remind him to renew his license.
- C. On or about September 6, 2013, the license of Bellingham's compliance officer lapsed for failure to renew.
- C. AS 21.27.020(c)(3) requires, as a general qualification for a license, that a firm insurance producer designate one or more compliance officers for the firm.

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D. On or about December 26, 2013, the division learned Bellingham did not have a licensed compliance officer and instructed Bellingham to designate a new compliance officer and to have the new compliance officer provide a notarized statement to the division indicating whether Bellingham transacted business as an insurance producer during the period in which the firm did not have a licensed compliance officer.

E. Bellingham's submitted statement indicated that multiple transactions occurred during the period September 6, 2013 through December 27, 2013 when the firm was without a licensed compliance officer, with \$17,544.60 earned in commissions. These transactions subject Bellingham to civil penalties under AS 21.27.440.

II. TERMS OF AGREEMENT

1. Bellingham agrees to pay a civil penalty under AS 21.27.440 in the amount of \$17,544.60 for the unlicensed activity that occurred from September 6, 2013 through December 27, 2013, with \$15,544.70 suspended. The unsuspended penalty of \$2,000.00 is payable at the time Bellingham has been notified that the director has signed the order adopting this agreement.

2. In the event that Bellingham violates Alaska insurance laws during the next two years, the suspended portion of the penalty referenced in paragraph one will be reinstated.
Bellingham also will be subject to any and all sanctions authorized by the insurance laws including imposition of additional penalties.

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3. By signing this agreement, Bellingham understands and agrees that any failure to comply with the conditions of this agreement will be grounds to revoke, suspend, or not

4. Bellingham understands that this agreement is not binding on the parties unless

DIVISION OF INSURANCE

BELLINGHAM UNDERWRITERS, INC.

Kenneth A. Robinette Compliance Officer

Bellingham Underwriters, Inc.

MICHAEL C. GERAGHTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Assistant Attorney General

IT IS ORDERED that this Stipulated Agreement and Order is adopted in full

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resolution of the issues in this case, and shall constitute the final order in this matter.

DATED this 19th day of May, 201

Lori K. Wing-Heier

Director

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