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The Honorable Cassie Brown
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Re: 2023 TAIPA Private Passenger and Commercial Auto Rate Filing

Dear Commissioner Brown and Ms. Byckovski:

We make this rate filing on behalf of the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association (TAIPA) pursuant to Chapter 2151 of the Texas Insurance Code. This filing is subject to approval by the Commissioner of Insurance, and provides for private passenger automobile and commercial automobile rates that are to be charged for insurance written through TAIPA.

This filing is supported by the Explanatory Memorandum and actuarial report prepared by TAIPA's consulting actuary, Michael J. Miller, FCAS, of Epic Consulting, LLC, attached hereto.

Private Passenger.

The current private passenger TAIPA rates were last adjusted and became effective March 1, 2020. Under Mr. Miller's report, the indicated average rate adjustments to the current rates for private passenger automobile insurance (by coverage) written through TAIPA are as follows:

Bodily Injury Liability	+5.0%
Property Damage Liability	+5.0%

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Personal Injury Protection	+5.0%
Uninsured Motorists - BI	+5.0%
<u>Uninsured Motorists – PD</u>	<u>+5.0%</u>
Overall average	+5.0%

Commercial Auto

The current commercial auto TAIPA rates were last adjusted and became effective March 1, 2021. As set out in Mr. Miller’s report, this filing will generate estimated changes by coverage as follows:

Bodily Injury Liability	+5.0%
Personal Damage Liability	+5.0%
Personal Injury Protection	+5.0%
Uninsured Motorists - BI	+5.0%
<u>Uninsured Motorists – PD</u>	<u>+5.0%</u>
Overall average	+5.0%

Effective Date.

TAIPA requests that rate changes and new approved rates become effective June 1, 2023. This effective date assumes that the filing is approved in sufficient time so the rate bulletin and machine letters issued by the Department can be delivered to the affected insurance companies to program their systems in time to implement the new rates, particularly for renewal policies.

Procedure Under Insurance Code Chapter 2151, Subchapter E.

None of the proposed average rate changes for each coverage in this filing exceed 105% of the current rate. Accordingly, a hearing is not required as Insurance Code Section 2151.2041 only requires that the Commissioner conduct a hearing under Section 2151.206 in the event TAIPA files a rate “... that exceeds 105 percent of the current average rate for each coverage written through the association on the date of the filing...” This filing is to be considered under Sections 2151.2021 and 2151.2022, as well as the other applicable sections of Subchapter E.

Amendment to the TAIPA Manual.

In addition to the rate changes, TAIPA requests approval of changes to its Rules and Rating Manual. A member company raised a question as to the history and purpose of the addition of \$1 to the uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage rates on pages R-10, CR-1 and CR-3 of the manual as shown on these attached manual pages. No one could provide an answer and TAIPA now wants to amend the manual to delete these charges. Attached are these pages with this language stricken out.

Respectfully submitted,



By: _____

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Enclosures:

TDI Transmittal Forms PC358
Explanatory Memorandum and Filing Exhibits
Rules and Rating manual pages

cc: Ms. Stacy Dutton, Manager, TAIPA (via email, w/enc.)
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