

No. 08-0184

Official Order  
of the  
Commissioner of Insurance  
of the  
State of Texas  
Austin, Texas

Date: MAR 05 2008

**Subject Considered:**

**ADDITIONAL INCREASE TO THE MAXIMUM LIMITS OF LIABILITY  
FOR A COMMERCIAL OR GOVERNMENT BUILDING INSURED BY  
THE TEXAS WINDSTORM INSURANCE ASSOCIATION**

**Docket No. 2682**

**General remarks and official action taken:**

On this day came on for consideration by the Commissioner of Insurance (Commissioner) a proposal by the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) to increase the maximum limits of liability for a structure other than a dwelling or a public building and the corporeal movable property located in that structure, and as an extension of coverage, away from those premises, as provided under the policy (commercial building), and for a building, and the corporeal movable property located in that building, if the building is owned by and at least 75 percent occupied by a governmental entity, or not owned by, but wholly and exclusively occupied by a governmental entity (government building), insured by TWIA, from \$3,390,000 to \$4,000,000. TWIA is composed of all insurers authorized to transact property insurance in this state and operates pursuant to the Insurance Code Chapter 2210 to provide windstorm and hail insurance to certain designated areas of the state.

The Insurance Code §2210.502(c) provides that the TWIA board of directors may propose additional increases in the maximum liability limits as the board determines necessary to implement the purposes of the Insurance Code Chapter 2210.

On January 17, 2008, TWIA filed a petition (Reference No. P-0108-02) with the Department proposing that, pursuant to the Insurance Code §2210.502(c), the

maximum liability limits of \$3,390,000 for a commercial building and the corporeal movable property located in that structure, and as an extension of coverage, away from those premises, as provided under the policy, and for a government building and the corporeal movable property located in that building, insured by TWIA, be increased to \$4,000,000.


The public hearing on the proposed adjustment was held on January 29, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 100 of the William P. Hobby, Jr. State Office Building, 333 Guadalupe Street in Austin, Texas.

The Commissioner, based upon the TWIA filing and the hearing, has determined that TWIA's proposed adjustment to the maximum limits of liability from \$3,390,000 to \$4,000,000 for a commercial building and the corporeal movable property located in that structure, and as an extension of coverage, away from those premises, as provided under the policy, and for a government building and the corporeal movable property located in that building, insured by TWIA, is necessary to implement the purposes of the Insurance Code Chapter 2210 and should be approved.

**IT IS THEREFORE THE ORDER** of the Commissioner of Insurance that TWIA's proposed maximum limits of liability of \$4,000,000 for a structure other than a dwelling or a public building and the corporeal movable property located in that structure, and as an extension of coverage, away from those premises, as provided under the policy, and for a building, and the corporeal movable property located in that building, if the building is owned by and at least 75 percent occupied by a governmental entity, or not owned by, but wholly and exclusively occupied by a governmental entity, insured by TWIA, is approved to be effective for windstorm and hail policies delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after April 1, 2008.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

  
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MIKE GEESLIN  
COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE