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J'ne Byckovski Chief Actuary Texas Department of Insurance 333 Guadalupe Street Austin, TX 78714-9104

RE: Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Annual Rate Filing

Dear J'ne:

Section 2210.352 of the Texas Insurance Code states that, not later than August 15 of each year, the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association shall file with the Department a proposed manual rate for all types and classes of risks written by the Association.

This filing is made pursuant to Section 2210.352 (a-1) and fulfills all the requirements of that subsection.

On August 8, 2023, the Board of Directors of the Association voted to file for uniform 0% changes in both its residential and commercial rates. The Board initially voted to accept the recommendation from its Actuarial & Underwriting Committee for +5% residential and +8% commercial. With five votes in favor and four votes against, the motion failed to achieve the two-thirds majority required by Section 2210.351 (f). A subsequent motion to file for a 0% rate change also failed with four votes in favor and five votes against. The Board ultimately reconsidered the motion to file for a 0% rate change in order to comply with Section 2210.352, which passed unanimously on a second vote.

The most current actuarial review results in indications of +20% and +22% for residential and commercial rates, respectively. The complete residential and commercial analyses are attached.

If you or your staff have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Respectfully,

James C. Murphy