Official Order of the Texas Commissioner of Insurance

Date: 11/04/2022

Subject Considered:

Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc. 200 Liberty Street New York, New York 10281

Consent Order
TDI Enforcement File No. 30639

General remarks and official action taken:

This is a consent order with Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc. Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., failed to timely file surplus lines policies and related documents. Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc. has agreed to pay an administrative penalty of \$2,425 for these violations.

Waiver

Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., acknowledges that the Texas Insurance Code and other applicable law provide certain rights. Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., waives all of these rights, and any other applicable procedural rights, in consideration of the entry of this consent order.

Findings of Fact

- 1. Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., firm identification number 16887, holds a surplus lines license issued by the Texas Department of Insurance.
- 2. Pursuant to Tex. Ins. Code § 981.105(a), a surplus lines insurance agent must file with the Surplus Lines Stamping Office of Texas either:
 - a. a copy of the policy issued or

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b. if the policy has not yet been issued, a copy of the certificate, cover note, or other confirmation of insurance delivered to the insured.

This information is due not later than the 60th day after the later of the effective date or the issue date of new or renewal surplus lines insurance.

3. In 2021, Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., filed surplus lines policies late.

Conclusions of Law

- 1. The commissioner of insurance has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Tex. INS. CODE §§ 82.051-82.055, 84.021-84.044, and 981.105.
- 2. The commissioner of insurance has authority to informally dispose of this matter under Tex. Ins. Code § 82.055, Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.056, and 28 Tex. Admin. Code § 1.47.
- 3. Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., has knowingly and voluntarily waived all procedural rights to which it may have been entitled regarding the entry of this order, including, but not limited to, issuance and service of notice of intention to institute disciplinary action, notice of hearing, a public hearing, a proposal for decision, rehearing by the commissioner, and judicial review.
- 4. Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., violated Tex. Ins. Code § 981.105(a) by failing to timely file new or renewal surplus lines policies and related documents.

Order

It is ordered that Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., must pay an administrative penalty of \$2,425 within 30 days from the date of this order. The administrative penalty must be paid as instructed in the invoice, which the department will send after entry of this order.

Cassie Brown

Commissioner of Insurance

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Recommended and reviewed by:

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THE STATE OF Tennessee § COUNTY OF Wilson §

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the affiant, who being by me duly sworn, deposed as follows:

"My name is <u>Poula Cropper</u>. I am of sound mind, capable of making this statement, and have personal knowledge of these facts which are true and correct.

I hold the office of Head of Billing + Suplus and am the authorized representative of Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc. I am duly authorized by the organization to execute this statement.

Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc., has knowingly and voluntarily entered into the foregoing consent order and agrees with and consents to the issuance and service of the same by the commissioner of insurance of the state of Texas."

Affiant

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on October 26, 2022.

(NOTARY SEAL)

Signature of Notary Public

Printed Name of Notary Public