

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE JAMES J. DONELON COMMISSIONER

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF A RISK PURCHASING GROUP IN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

This packet is designed to assist the individual preparing this application in complying with the statutory and administrative requirements and to facilitate review of the application by the LDI. Therefore, it is extremely important that all applicants comply fully with the instructions and requirements set forth in this packet.

All communication should be directed to:

Louisiana Department of Insurance Company Licensing P.O. Box 94214 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9214 OR 1702 N. 3rd St. Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Phone: (225) 219-0565 Fax: (225) 219-9322

E-Mail Address: companyapps@ldi.la.gov

While our Department will be happy to assist you and answer any questions you may have, we ask that you thoroughly review all instructions and forms before contacting us.

- 1) The Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI) accepts electronic submission of the application via email. An application submitted in this manner must be submitted to companyapps@ldi.la.gov to assure receipt and prompt processing by the LDI. After submission of the application electronically, the payment of the fees must be submitted hard copy to address above. All payments must be made payable to the Louisiana Department of Insurance.
- 2) If the application is submitted hard copy, all submittals in association with this application must reach the LDI via the United States Postal Service or a carrier with interstate business. Hand delivery is not acceptable and any information arriving in this manner will be returned without review. In addition, all correspondence must be sent to the attention of Company Licensing to assure prompt receipt and handling.
- 3) Submit only a fully completed application. Submittal of a partially completed application will cause processing delays and may result in disapproval.
- 4) <u>Do not alter</u> the forms contained in this packet. If you feel the requirements do not apply to your company, notify us. We will supply the proper form, if appropriate, and/or answer any questions you have about the forms.
- 5) All original items submitted become the property of the LDI and will not be returned.

- 6) All certified documents required in the application must be dated within six (6) months of submittal of the application. If an application is submitted hard copy rather than electronically, all certifications must be original.
- 7) All entries in the application forms must be typed or printed. Illegible entries or responses will be considered incomplete and may result in the disapproval of the application.
- 8) When designating a contact person for the application process, please remember that our staff will communicate only with this individual. The application process is considered confidential and will not be discussed with any person other than the named contact person. The applicant must notify the LDI in writing of any change in contact person.
- 9) The applicant must notify the LDI of any changes in the company or the information submitted in association with this application which occur while the application is under review. This includes changes in officers and directors; changes in address or domicile; and changes to the financial statements submitted in support of this application. Failure to notify the LDI of such changes may result in disapproval of the application.

FILING OF RATES AND FORMS

If the applicant group will be purchasing insurance from an insurance company admitted in Louisiana, the rates and forms must be filed with the appropriate divisions of this Department before the group begins doing business. Use of rates and forms which have not been approved by this Department is a violation of the Insurance Code and will be treated as such.

NOTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION

This Department will notify the applicant when the registration process is complete. Until the company receives this notification, it is not registered in this state and may not transact business in this state.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTESTATION PAGE

The Attestation Page of this application must be completed by an officer or other authorized representative of the applicant. The signature must be witnessed by two individuals and notarized.

COMMON QUESTIONS

The following are some of the most commonly asked questions regarding the application package and process.

- Q: Where can I find the laws and regulations governing insurance in Louisiana?
- A: Title 22 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes is the Louisiana Insurance Code and most laws enacted by the Louisiana Legislature which affect insurers and insurance can be found in that Title. Copies of the Louisiana Insurance Code can be obtained from private printing companies which specialize in statutory printing. In addition to the statutes, the Commissioner of Insurance has issued many regulations, rules and directives. Copies of these items may also be obtained from publishers specializing in printing legal and regulatory documents. One such company is given below.

National Insurance Law Service P.O. Box 2507 Chatsworth, CA 91313 1-800-423-5910

COMMON QUESTIONS - Continued

- Q: What is the time-frame for the review of an application?
- A: This Department makes every effort to review all applications as soon after submittal as possible. The review process can be expected to take from thirty (30) to sixty (60) days <u>from receipt of a complete application</u>. Please take this time-frame into account when considering deadlines and operation schedules for the applicant.
- Q: We began filing an application previously but never completed the registration process. Can we use any of the documentation submitted in association with that application again?
- A: No. Once an application is disapproved, for any reason, the file is closed and the information submitted cannot be used in subsequent applications.
- Q: Can the forms in the application packet be recreated on a word processor for completion by the applicant?
- A: No. The forms in this packet are designed for ease of recognition by our staff and, in many cases, in strict compliance with statutory wording requirements. Therefore, any changes in the format or wording of the forms will cause delays in the review and may lead to the disapproval of the application. HOWEVER, Upon request the Department can make arrangements to send the forms via e-mail in Microsoft Word ® format. ANY changes to the content of the form will result in the immediate disapproval of the application and forfeiture of all fees.
- Q: Can we meet with the Department for a preliminary review of our application prior to submission?
- A: Yes. Our staff will be happy to meet with representatives of the applicant to review the application before it is actually submitted. It should be noted, however, that this courtesy review is to help assure completeness only and our Division will not issue a preliminary approval or disapproval of the application prior to submission. Any application sent to this Office via U.S. Mail will be considered submitted for review and will not be eligible for a pre-review. You may make an appointment for preliminary review by contacting the Company Licensing Division of the Louisiana Department of Insurance. Preliminary reviews will be performed only with an appointment.



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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF A RISK PURCHASING GROUP IN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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ADDRESS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

| DOMICILE ADDRESS: Below give the domiciliary address of the | e applicant. | |
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| MAILING ADDRESS: Below give the mailing address of the appl | icant. | |
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| ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE ADDRESS: Below give the physica | l address of the main admini | istrative office of the applicant. |
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| PRIMARY CONTACT: Below give the name, address, phone nun | | |
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GENERAL INFORMATION

| Below provide the name and NAIC number of each insurer from which the | applicant will b | oe purchasing. | |
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INTERROGATORIES

All of the following questions must be answered for every applicant.

| 1) Has the applicant ever had an application denied by any insurance regulatory authority? (If yes, attach an explanation.) | ☐ YES | □NO |
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| 2) Has the applicant ever been subject to any regulatory action including cease and desist orders or similar actions? (If yes, attach an explanation.) | □ YES | □NO |
| 3) Has the applicant ever changed its name? (If yes, attach an explanation.) | ☐ YES | □NO |
| 4) Has any person who is presently an officer, director or owner of 10% or more of the applicant ever been convicted or pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or found liable of indictment or information in any jurisdiction charging a felony or misdemeanor other than minor traffic violations? (If yes, attach an explanation.) | □ YES | □NO |
| 5) Does the group have as one of its purposes the purchase of liability insurance on a group basis? | ☐ YES | □NO |
| 6) Will the group be purchasing such liability insurance only for its members and only to cover their similar or related liability exposure as described in this application? | □ YES | □NO |
| 7) Is the applicant presently licensed as an insurance agent or broker in any state or jurisdiction? (If yes, attach an explanation.) | ☐ YES | □NO |

LIST OF MANAGEMENT AND OWNERS

Below give the full legal name (no initials), social security number, resident address, position with the applicant and the percentage of ownership (if applicable) of all natural persons responsible for the conduct of affairs of the applicant. This list should include all officers, all directors, all partners (in the case of a partnership), all trustees, all executive committee members and every natural person owning, directly or indirectly, 10 percent or more of the applicant and any other natural person who exercises control or influence over the affairs of the applicant.

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EXHIBITS

- EXHIBIT A Letter of Good Standing from the proper official of the domiciliary state confirming registration of the applicant as a <u>purchasing group</u> in that state. This letter, certificate or other confirmation must be dated within ninety (90) days of submission to this Department.
- EXHIBIT B Appointment of Agent for Service form properly completed.
- EXHIBIT C- A detailed description of the corporate organizational/ownership structure of the applicant, its parent company and all affiliates. This description should include a chart showing the ownership percentages for any persons owning 10 percent or more of the applicant and all affiliated entities up to and including the ultimate controlling person. The chart must include the state of domicile and the Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) for each person. For a sample chart please go to our web site at http://www.ldi.la.gov/docs/default-source/documents/licensing/companies/sample-ownership-chart.pdf?sfvrsn=0. If there is no person who owns, directly or indirectly, 10 percent or more of the applicant then you must provide a statement to that effect in lieu of this exhibit.
- EXHIBIT D If the applicant is using a trade name in Louisiana, a certificate from the Louisiana Secretary of State confirming registration of that name in Louisiana.

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE PROVIDED BY LOUISIANA DOMICILED APLICANTS ONLY

- EXHIBIT E Completed biographical affidavits for all persons responsible for the conduct of affairs of the applicant. This should include all officers, all directors, all partners (in the case of a partnership), all trustees, all executive committee members and all person(s) owning, directly or indirectly, 10 percent or more of the applicant and any other person who exercises control or influence over the affairs of the applicant. Only the most recent version of the affidavit adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners is acceptable. This form can be obtained from the NAIC web site (http://naic.org/documents/industry_ucaa_form11.pdf).
- EXHIBIT F A copy of the acceptance of trust executed by each director of the company. You may find a sample Director's Acceptance of Trust form at http://www.ldi.la.gov/docs/default-source/documents/licensing/companies/directors-acceptance-of-trust.pdf?sfvrsn=0 but the applicant is free to develop its own form.
- EXHIBIT G A copy of the oath of officer executed by each officer of the company. You may find a sample form of the Oath of Officer at http://www.ldi.la.gov/docs/default-source/documents/licensing/companies/oath-of-officer.pdf?sfvrsn=0 but the applicant is free to develop its own form.
- EXHIBIT H A Conflict of Interest Statement completed and signed by every officer and director. You may find a copy of the Conflict of Interest Statement at http://www.ldi.la.gov/docs/default-source/documents/licensing/companies/conflict-of-interest-statement-for-reg-66. A copy of the Conflict of Interest policy of the applicant must be supplied with the statement.
- EXHIBIT I Written confirmation from the applicant that the fingerprints have been submitted as indicated in the special instructions in this application.
- EXHIBIT J Written confirmation from the applicant that third party verification reports have been requested as indicated in the special instructions in this application. Include the name of the firm from which the requests were made and the date

ATTESTATION

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APPOINTMENT OF AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS

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| County of | |
| Purchasing Group Name : | |
| a risk purchasing group, pursuant to a resolution adopted by its bethe Louisiana Commissioner of Insurance and his successors in of pleading as required by law in any action or proceeding against it or proceeding against it may be commenced in any court of company lawful process against it which is served under this appointmedirectly. This appointment shall be binding upon any successor to liabilities by merger, consolidation or otherwise; and shall be binding to a change in any of the information amended designation form upon a change in any of the information. | , having applied for registration in Louisiana as pard of directors or other governing body, hereby irrevocably appoints ffice as the agent upon whom may be served any notice, process or in the state of Louisiana; and does hereby consent that any lawful action retent jurisdiction and proper venue within Louisiana; and agrees that ent shall be of the same legal force and validity as if served on the entity to the above named entity that acquires the entity's assets or assumes its ding as long as the entity is registerd as a risk purchasing group in the by reason of such service. The entity named above agrees to submit an on provided herein. as |
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| | ned above and do further certify under penalty of perjury that all of the |
| forgoing is true and correct. | |
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