

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE FORM A STATEMENT REGARDING THE ACQUISITION OF CONTROL OF OR MERGER WITH A DOMESTIC INSURER

TITLE PAGE

Prepare the Form A Statement Regarding the Acquisition of Control of or Merger with a Domestic Insurer with a proper title page as follows:

FORM A

STATEMENT REGARDING THE ACQUISITION OF CONTROL OF OR MERGER

WITH A DOMESTIC INSURER

[Name of Domestic Insurer]

[NAIC No.]

By

[Name of Acquiring Person (Applicant)]

[NAIC No. or Federal I.D. No.]

Filed with the Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions

Dated:	20

Name, title, address and telephone number of individual to whom notices and correspondence concerning this statement should be addressed:

ITEM 1 METHOD OF ACQUISITION

State the name and address of the domestic insurer to which this application relates and a brief description of how control is to be acquired. State the federal identification number and the NAIC number of the domestic insurer.

ITEM 2 IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND OF THE APPLICANT

- a State the name and address of the applicant seeking to acquire control over the insurer.
- b. If the applicant is not an individual, state the nature of its business operations for the past 5 years or for such lesser period as such person and any predecessors thereof shall have been in existence. Briefly describe the business intended to be done by the applicant and the applicant's subsidiaries.

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c. Furnish a chart or listing clearly presenting the identities of the inter-relationships among the applicant and all affiliates of the applicant, including NAIC numbers for all insurers. No affiliate need be identified if its total assets are equal to or less than 1/2 of 1% of the total assets of the ultimate controlling person affiliated with the applicant. Indicate in such chart or listing the percentage of voting securities of each such person which is owned or controlled by the applicant or by any such person. If control of any person is maintained other than by the ownership or control of voting securities, indicate the basis of such control. As to each person specified in such chart or listing indicate the type of organization (e.g. corporation, trust, partnership) and the state or other jurisdiction of domicile. If court proceedings involving a reorganization or liquidation are pending with respect to any such person, indicate which person, and set forth the title of the court, nature of proceedings and the date when commenced.

ITEM 3 IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND OF INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE APPLICANT

On the biographical affidavit, include a third party background check, and state the following with respect to (1) the applicant if (s)he is an individual, or (2) all persons who are directors, executive officers or owners of 10% or more of the voting securities of the applicant if the applicant is not an individual.

- a. Name and business address;
- b. Present principal business activity, occupation or employment including positions and office held and the name, principal business address of any corporation or other organization in which such employment is carried on;
- c. Material occupations, positions, office or employment during the last five years, giving the starting and ending dates of each and the name, principal business and address of any business corporation or other organization in which each such occupation, position, office or employment was carried on: if any such occupation, position, office, or employment required licensing by or registration with any federal, state, or municipal governmental agency, indicate such fact, the current status of such licensing or registration, and an explanation of any surrender, revocation, suspension or disciplinary proceedings in connection therewith;
- d. Whether or not such person has ever been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding minor traffic violations) during the last 10 years and, if so, give the date, nature of conviction, name and location of court, and penalty imposed or other disposition of the case;

Such persons may also submit fingerprints and the fingerprint processing fee in accordance with A.R.S. § 20-481.03(B). USE ONLY BLUE AND WHITE F.B.I. FINGERPRINT CARDS.

ITEM 4 NATURE, SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF CONSIDERATION

- a. Describe the nature, source and amount of funds or other considerations used or to be used in effecting the merger or other acquisition of control. If any part of the same is represented or is to be represented by funds or other consideration borrowed or otherwise obtained for the purpose of acquiring, holding or trading securities, furnish a description of the transaction, the names of the parties thereto, the relationship, if any, between the borrower and the lender, the amounts borrowed or to be borrowed, and copies of all agreements, promissory notes and security arrangements relating thereto.
- b. Explain the criteria used in determining the nature and amount of such consideration.
- c. If the source of the consideration is a loan made in the lender's ordinary course of business and if the applicant wishes the identity of the lender to remain confidential, he must specifically request that the identity be kept confidential.

ITEM 5 FUTURE PLANS OF INSURER

Describe any plans or proposals which the applicant may have to declare an extraordinary dividend, to liquidate such insurer, to sell its assets to or merge it with any person or persons or to make any other material change in its business operations of corporate structure of management.

ITEM 6 VOTING SECURITIES TO BE ACQUIRED

State the number of shares of the insurer's voting securities which the applicant, its affiliates and any person listed in Item 3 plan to acquire, and the terms of the offer, request, invitation, agreement or acquisition, and a statement as to the method by which the fairness of the proposal was arrived at.

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ITEM 7 OWNERSHIP OF VOTING SECURITIES

State the amount of each class of any voting security of the insurer which is beneficially owned or concerning which there is a right to acquire beneficial ownership by the applicant, its affiliates or any person listed in Item 3.

ITEM 8 CONTRACTS, ARRANGEMENTS, OR UNDERSTANDINGS WITH RESPECT TO VOTING SECURITIES OF THE INSURER

Give a full description of any contracts, arrangements or understandings with respect to any voting security of the insurer in which the applicant, its affiliates or any person listed in Item 3 is involved, including but not limited to transfer of any of the securities, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of loans, guarantees against loss or guarantees of profits, division of losses or profits, or the giving or withholding of proxies. Such description shall identify the persons with whom the contracts, arrangements or understandings have been entered into.

ITEM 9 RECENT PURCHASES OF VOTING SECURITIES

Describe any purchases of any voting securities of the insurer by the applicant, its affiliates or any person listed in Item 3 during the 12 calendar months preceding the filing of this statement. Include in the description the dates of purchase, the names of the purchasers, and the consideration paid or agreed to be paid therefore. State whether any such shares so purchased are hypothecated.

ITEM 10 RECENT RECOMMENDATIONS TO PURCHASE

Describe any recommendations to purchase any voting security of the insurer made by the applicant, its affiliates or any person listed in Item 3, or by anyone based upon interviews or at the suggestion of the applicant, its affiliates or any person listed in Item 3 during the 12 calendar months preceding the filing of this statement.

ITEM 11 AGREEMENTS WITH BROKER-DEALERS

Describe the terms of any agreement, contract or understanding made with any broker-dealer as to solicitation of voting securities of the insurer for tender and the amount of any fees, commissions or other compensation to be paid to broker-dealers with regard thereto.

ITEM 12 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- Financial statements, exhibits, and three-year financial projections of the insurer(s) shall be attached to this statement as an appendix, but list under this item the financial statements and exhibits so attached.
- b. The financial statements shall include the annual financial statements of the persons identified in Item 2(c) for the preceding five fiscal years (or for such lesser period as such applicant and its affiliates and any predecessors thereof shall have been in existence), and similar information covering the period from the end of such person's last fiscal year, if such information is available. The statements may be prepared on either an individual basis, or, unless the Director otherwise requires, on a consolidated basis if consolidated statements are prepared in the usual course of business.
 - The annual financial statements of the applicant shall be accompanied by the certificate of an independent public accountant to the effect that such statements present fairly the financial position of the applicant and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles or with requirements of insurance or other accounting principles prescribed or permitted under law. If the applicant is an insurer which is actively engaged in the business of insurance, the financial statements need not be certified, provided they are based on the Annual Statement of the person filed with the insurance department of the person's domiciliary state and are in accordance with the requirements of insurance or other accounting principles prescribed or permitted under the law and regulations of the state.
- c. File as exhibits copies of all tender offers for, requests or invitations for, tenders of, exchange offers for, and agreements to acquire or exchange any voting securities of the insurer and (if distributed) of additional soliciting material relating thereto, any proposed employment, consultation, advisory or management contracts concerning the insurer, annual reports to the stockholders of the insurer and the applicant for the last two fiscal years, and any additional documents or papers required by Form A or Appendix G.

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ITEM 13 ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT

Applicant agrees to provide, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the information required by Form F within 15 days after the end of the month in which the acquisition of control occurs.

SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION **ITEM 14** Signature and certification required as follows: **SIGNATURE** Pursuant to the requirements of A.R.S. § 20-481.02, ______ has caused (Name of Applicant) this application to be duly signed on its behalf in the City of _____ and State of ____ on the ______ day of _______, <u>20</u> _____. (SEAL) [Name of Applicant] (Name) (Title) Attest: (Signature of Officer) (Title) **CERTIFICATION** The undersigned deposes and says that (s)he has duly executed the attached application dated ______, 20 _____, for and on the behalf of _____ (Name of Applicant) of such company and that (s)he is that (s)he is the (Title of Officer) authorized to execute and file such instrument. Deponent further says that (s)he is familiar with the instrument and the contents thereof, and that the facts therein set forth are true to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief. (Signature)

(Type or print name)