

# MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTH CAROLINA REINSURANCE FACILITY HELD AT THE GRANDOVER RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER, GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA, OCTOBER 24, 2007

# MEMBERS PRESENTED BY

Alliance Mutual Insurance Company Kevin Riney

Mary Taylor Bob White Bob Blystone

Allstate Insurance Company

Allstate Indemnity Company

Allstate Property & Casualty Insurance Company

Encompass Indemnity Company Northbrook Indemnity Company

American Home Assurance Company

**AIG Casualty Company** 

AIG Centennial Insurance Company

**AIU Insurance Company** 

American International South Insurance Company

Commerce & Industry Insurance Company

Granite State Insurance Company

Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania

National Union Fire Insurance Company New Hampshire Insurance Company

Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company Coastal Casualty Insurance Company

Auto Owners Insurance Company

Owners Insurance Company

**Builders Mutual Insurance Company** 

Erie Insurance Company

Erie Insurance Exchange

Government Employees Insurance Company

Converium Insurance (North America), Inc.

Cornhusker Casualty Company

**GEICO General Insurance Company** 

**GEICO Indemnity Company** 

General Star National Insurance Company

Genesis Insurance Company

National Indemnity Company

National Liability & Fire Insurance Company

Republic Insurance Company

Kevin Steele

Paul Aycock Mark Caughron Richard Yarbrough

Mary Pierce

Jerry Visintine Chuck Liles

Kirk La

A. J. Zuvich

Hartford Fire Insurance Company

Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company

Hartford Casualty Insurance Company

Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest

Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company

Property & Casualty Insurance Company of Hartford

Sentinel Insurance Company, Ltd.

Trumbull Insurance Company

Twin City Fire Insurance Company

**Integon Indemnity Corporation** 

**CIM Insurance Corporation** 

**GMAC Direct Insurance Company** 

GMAC Insurance Company Online, Inc.

**Integon Casualty Insurance Company** 

Integon General Insurance Corporation

**Integon National Insurance Company** 

Integon Preferred Insurance Company

Integon Specialty Insurance Company

MIC Property & Casualty Insurance Corporation

National General Assurance Company

New South Insurance Company

Plaza Insurance Company

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

Colorado Casualty Insurance Company

Employers Insurance Company of Wausau

**Excelsior Insurance Company** 

First Liberty Insurance Corporation

Liberty Insurance Corporation

Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company

Liberty Mutual Mid-Atlantic Insurance Company

LM General Insurance Company

LM Insurance Corporation

LM Personal Insurance Company

LM Property & Casualty Insurance Company

Midwestern Indemnity Company

Montgomery Mutual Insurance Company

Netherlands Insurance Company

Peerless Indemnity Insurance Company

Peerless Insurance Company

Wausau Business Insurance Company

Wausau Underwriters Insurance Company

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company

Allied Property & Casualty Insurance Company

AMCO Insurance Company

Depositors Insurance Company

Farmland Mutual Insurance Company

National Casualty Company

Nationwide Affinity Insurance Company

Nationwide Agribusiness Insurance Company

Nationwide Insurance Company of America

Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company

Andrew Brown

Art Lyon

John Ittner

Kevin King Amy Powell Nationwide Property & Casualty Insurance Company

Scottsdale Indemnity Company

Titan Indemnity Company

North Carolina Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company

Farm Bureau Insurance Company of North Carolina

Progressive Casualty Insurance Company

National Continental Insurance Company

Progressive American Insurance Company

Progressive Direct Insurance Company

Progressive Max Insurance Company

Progressive Northern Insurance Company

Progressive Northwestern Insurance Company

Progressive Preferred Insurance Company

Progressive Premier Insurance Company of Illinois

Progressive Southeastern Insurance Company

Progressive Universal Insurance Company

United Financial Casualty Company

Sentry Casualty Company

Dairyland Insurance Company

Middlesex Insurance Company

Peak Property & Casualty Insurance Corporation

Sentry Insurance A Mutual Company

Sentry Select Insurance Company

Southern General Insurance Company

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company

The Members Insurance Company

Travelers Indemnity Company

Athena Assurance Company

**Atlantic Insurance Company** 

Automobile Insurance Company of Hartford

Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company

Commercial Guaranty Casualty Insurance Company

Commercial Guaranty Insurance Company

Discover Property & Casualty Insurance Company

Farmington Casualty Company

Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Company

Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc.

Mendakota Insurance Company

Northland Casualty Company

Northland Insurance Company

Phoenix Insurance Company

Select Insurance Company

St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company

St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company

St. Paul Medical Liability Insurance Company

St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company

St. Paul Protective Insurance Company

Standard Fire Insurance Company

Travco Insurance Company

Travelers Casualty & Surety Company

Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America

Roger Batdorff

Kate Terry

Tim Miller

Angela Haithcock Alan Bentley Jim McCafferty Jonathan Konrad Chad Mirock Benjy Seagle Travelers Casualty Company of Connecticut

Travelers Casualty Insurance Company of America

Travelers Commercial Insurance Company

Travelers Commercial Casualty Company

Travelers Home & Marine Insurance Company

Travelers Indemnity Company of America

Travelers Indemnity Company of Connecticut

Travelers Personal Security Insurance Company

Travelers Property Casualty Company of America

Travelers Property Casualty Insurance Company

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company

Universal Insurance Company

United Services Automobile Association USAA Casualty Insurance Company USAA General Indemnity Company Greg Spray Christine Wall Eric Vaith

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Auto Insurance Agents of NC Bagwell & Bagwell, Inc. Evergreen Investments

Green & Wooten Insurance

Greenville Casualty Insurance Company

Independent Insurance Agents of North Carolina

Insurance Services Office Senn, Dunn, Marsh & Roland

United Wisconsin Insurance Company

Wester Insurance Agency Young, Moore & Henderson

Staff

### REPRESENTED BY

Jeff Butler Steve Smith Rich Applebach Paige Henderson John Wooten Dean Kruger David Walker Patrick Woods Tim Ward Mike McKeon **Hutson Wester** Mickey Spivey Mike Strickland Jim Auman Jannet Barnes Adrienne Bizzell Tammy Choboy

Edith Davis
Ray Evans
Delisa Fairley
Vicki Godbold
Wayne Hinton
Fred Hoerl
Betty Hurst
Tim Lucas
Lois Murphey
Mike Newton
David Sink
Paula Stana
Amy Tart

Sue Taylor

132 other companies participated by proxy.

The meeting convened as scheduled, Mr. Yarbrough presiding. Mr. Evans announced that there was a quorum.

Reference was made to the Facility's Antitrust Compliance Policy and Conflicts of Interest Statement, copies of which were made available.

### 1. <u>Annual Report</u>

Copies of the Thirty-Fourth Annual Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2007 were distributed. Mr. Evans, Mr. Sink and Ms. Davis reviewed and commented on the Report, a copy of which is attached and forms a part of the record. The members were also advised that the Report was now available on the Facility website under its own link from the homepage.

Mr. Evans also introduced the new Manager of Quality Assurance, Tammy Choboy and the new Manager of Administrative Services, Amy Tart. Ms. Tart gave a presentation about this new role.

### 2. <u>Plan of Operation Amendments</u>

Ms. Davis reviewed proposed amendments to Article II of the Facility's Plan of Operation, to track the changes to N. C. G. S. 58-37-1 enacted by House Bill 729.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to adopt the amendment to Article II in the Facility's Plan of Operation.

#### 3. Chairman's Comments

Mr. Yarbrough reflected on the many changes the Facility had experienced since its inception and noted the current stability of the Facility's operating results and the health of the North Carolina auto insurance market. He commented on the recent and planned process improvements, like the development of the new information system, and expressed gratitude on behalf of the Board of Governors to the staff, members of the Facility committees and counsel for their efforts during the preceding year.

#### 4. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith T. Davis

Director, Reinsurance Facility

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Enclosure

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# 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

**North Carolina Reinsurance Facility** 



### COMMITMENT

raithfully and diligently fulfill the obligations of our Organizations as set forth in the statutes.

### **INTEGRITY**

perform each task as efficiently as possible with absolute honesty and integrity.

### RESPECT

treat your fellow associates and those you serve on behalf of the Organizations with dignity and respect.

# TALENTS

continually strive to improve the Organizations through the use of every associate's talents and creativity.

### OWNERSHIP

encourage participation and a sense of ownership from the members of our Organizations.

### CONSISTENCY

pemonstrate fairness and consistency among all associates and encourage personal development.



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# NORTH CAROLINA REINSURANCE FACILITY

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R. Mike Newton
David Sink
Vicki Godbold Director, Human Resources 919-645-3170 vcg@ncrb.org

### **ANNUAL MEETING**

The Annual Meeting for member companies of the North Carolina Reinsurance Facility will be held October 24, 2007 at the Grandover Resort and Conference Center, Greensboro, North Carolina.



# message from MESSAGE FROM

# THE CHAIRMAN

Serving on the Facility Board as an agent and a company representative, it is easy to understand that the Reinsurance Facility provides a great service to North Carolina insureds. Protecting the public from uninsured drivers at an affordable premium is a win-win proposition for all North Carolinians. Offering a reasonable cost alternative for risks that may not otherwise be insurable, it provides protection for our fellow citizens.

In 1984, when I served on the Board as an agent representative, the Facility had been in place for just over ten years, and it insured then, as now, about a quarter of the automobile liability insurance market. There is a still healthy competition among companies selling auto insurance; however, there have been some significant changes. The North Carolina auto liability market has grown from \$635 million to \$3.04 billion in annual premium. Internet access, electronic entry, and other technological innovations have kept automobile premiums affordable and competitive. Many more options are now available to insureds, including more local agents and direct access to many markets. There are now 291 insurance companies selling auto policies in North Carolina.

The Reinsurance Facility works well because of the efforts of so many. Industry representatives and agents serve on the Board, task forces, and committees that oversee the successful operation of the Facility. Various experts consult with these groups and offer important information and perspective. Last but certainly not least, dedicated staff manage the day-to-day activities and constantly look for ways to improve services and provide manageable data for more efficient operations. Many thanks to the professional staff of our Reinsurance Facility and to the former Board members and employees who laid the foundation for a precision operation.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Yarbrough CPCU, CIC Chair, NCRF Board of Governors

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# BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Responsibility for management is vested in a fifteen-member Board of Governors. There are twelve voting members; seven member insurance companies; five agents appointed by the Insurance Commissioner; two nonvoting public members appointed by the Governor; and the Insurance Commissioner who is a member of the Board ex-officio without vote. Five meetings of the Board were held during the year, including one telephone conference.

COMPANY MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Allstate Insurance Co	Bob Blystone
Atlantic Casualty Insurance Co	Richard Yarbrough*
Integon Indemnity Corporation	Art Lyon
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co	Amy Powell
New Hampshire Insurance Co	Gary T. Sanginario
Travelers Indemnity Co	Michael K. Fitzgerald
Universal Insurance Co	Greg Spray
	*chair
AGENT MEMBERS	
Auto Insurance Agents of North Carolin	a, Inc Jeffrey W. Butler
Independent Insurance Agents of NC, Ir	nc Steven D. Smith
Independent Insurance Agents of NC, Ir	ncTim Ward
Apptd. by the Commissioner of Insurance	ce W. Hutson Wester, II

PUBLIC MEMBERS	LOCATION
J. David Walker	Lumberton, NC
Steve J. Whitley	North Wilkesboro, NC

Apptd. by the Commissioner of Insurance ...... John E. Wooten, III

#### EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

James E. Long ......Commissioner of Insurance

# STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Plan of Operation establishes a number of advisory committees. These committees oversee the activities of the Facility and formulate recommendations for presentation to the Board of Governors. The Accounting and Statistical Committee is a joint AIPSO and NCRF committee and is chaired by New Hampshire Insurance Company. In addition, there are several additional specialty advisory groups who perform similar tasks for the Facility throughout the year.

The following committees met during the report period:

# AUDIT COMMITTEE

MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Liberty Mutual Insurance CoRonald H. I	Robertson, Jr., CPA*
NC Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co	Brian Top
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co	Kathy Southern
Pennsylvania Nat. Mut. Casualty Ins Co	Charles J. Uckele
State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co	Alan Bentley
Travelers Indemnity Co.	B.F. Seagle
Agent	Steven D. Smith
	*chair

# CLAIMS COMMITTEE

MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Allstate Insurance Co	Todd Lonker
Hartford Accident & Indemnity Co	Lorraine Karas
Nationwide Mutual Automobile Insurance Co	Bob Kistner
State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co	Tom Huels*
Travelers Indemnity Co.	B.F. Seagle
United Services Automobile Association	Michael Cox
AgentV	V. Hutson Wester, II
Agent	John E. Wooten, III
	*chair

# COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Integon Indemnity Corp	Seth Kernodle
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co	Kathy Southern
Universal Insurance Co	Gregory L. Spray *
Agent	W. Hutson Wester, II
	*chair

# INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Allstate Insurance Co	Douglas Dupont
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co	J. Kevin King*
State Farm Mutual Automobile Ins. Co	Alan Bentley
	*chair

# RATING COMMITTEE

MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Atlantic Casualty Insurance Co	Mark Caughron*
Liberty Mutual Insurance Co	Cheryl B. Watts
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co	Mike Barnes
NC Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co	Roger N. Batdorff
Travelers Indemnity Co	Todd Hoivik
Agent	Tim Ward
	*chair

# TASK FORCE ON EXPENSE ALLOWANCES

MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Allstate Insurance Co	Bob Blystone
American International South Insurance Co.	Gary T. Sanginario
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co	Isaac Adams*
Sentry Insurance Co	Tim Miller
State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co	Alan Bentley
Agent	Tim Ward
	*chair

# TASK FORCE ON RECOUPMENT

MEMBERS	REPRESENTATIVE
General Casualty Insurance Co	Stephen H. Cone
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co	Isaac Adams
NC Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co	Roger N. Batdorff
Progressive Casualty Insurance Co	Chris Skorcz
Southern Guaranty Insurance Co	Stephen H. Cone
State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co	Alan Bentley*
Travelers Indemnity Co.	B.F. Seagle
Agent	Steven D. Smith
	*chair

# TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP

WEWRERS	REPRESENTATIVE
Allstate Insurance Co	Essie Williams
Atlantic Casualty Insurance Group	Greg Ricker
Discovery Insurance Co	Denise Jefferson
Guaranty National Insurance Co	Diane Wirkus
Integon Indemnity Corporation	Mary Anne Peele
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Group	Larry Donaldson
New Hampshire Insurance Co	Pete Cotton
NC Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co	Brian Top
Safeco Insurance Co.	Jeff Castle
Southern General Insurance Co	Marguerite Clark
State Farm Mutual Insurance Co	Paula Harlow
Travelers Indemnity Co.	Annette Whitaker
Universal Insurance Co	Lisa Stafford



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# GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Another year, another set of challenges. With the North Carolina Legislature in its long session, I believe we spent more time in 2007 educating and explaining the operations of the Facility – participating in dozens of interviews, meetings and bill analysis sessions – than we did dealing with our usual concerns.

We don't know if this is the good news or the bad news, but the end result was that virtually nothing changed. On the decidedly positive side, we heard from many sources that the process enhanced the Facility's reputation for honesty, integrity, accessibility and helpfulness.

In spite of the legislatively induced distraction, we made considerable progress in improving our routine functions of complying with the statute, getting the right premium and paying the right amount for claims.

Insuring that premium and loss transactions are accurate falls to the Compliance folks and they steadily increased their effectiveness this past year. We believe we are doing a more comprehensive job of reviewing premium and loss data, being less intrusive to member companies in the process, and becoming more confident in the accuracy of our numbers.

Work on the replacement operating system is continuing with an anticipated go-live date in early 2008; developers here and offshore are working nearly around the clock to help the Facility and our IT department bring it all together.

One thing that has struck me this year is the important role the Facility plays in our state's auto insurance market. Because of that, our job here continues to be to do the best we can in the most efficient way possible. I think the work of our associates, with the support of counsel and help from the Board and Committees, is a big part of why the whole market works. Thanks to everyone.



Edith T. Davis

# MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANAL

#### Mission:

- > Ensure availability of auto liability insurance to all eligible risks
- > Collect the right premiums
- > Pay the right losses
- > Minimize the impact on policyholders and companies in North Carolina

#### so·lu·tion:

Pronunciation: s<sup>ə</sup>-'lü-sh<sup>ə</sup>n

Function: noun

Definition: a: an action or process of solving a problem; b: an answer to a problem

The Facility was created in 1973 by legislators in the General Assembly as their solution to ensure that all eligible risks could purchase auto liability insurance. We still serve that purpose today.

The following pages of financial information reflect a very stable and financially sound Reinsurance Facility. The Facility operations have generated notable net operating gains and, as a result, the Clean Risk recoupment surcharge will be reduced from 8.82% to 2.48% effective October, 2007. This is very different from two years ago when the Facility's equity position was negative \$112 million. Several factors contributed to this turnaround, as follows.

# FINANCIAL POSITION

#### RATE CHANGES

The Facility experienced the effect of rate increases for private passenger non-fleet vehicles.

Ceded "clean risks" comprised approximately 69% of the total ceded exposures. Two voluntary liability rate increases—5.1% overall effective May 2006 and 4.0% overall effective November 2006 — were applied. (By law, this group may only be charged the voluntary manual rate; however, this is not a self supporting rate for these risks.)

Ceded private passenger "other-than-clean" risks comprised about 27% of total ceded exposures; the overall rate increase of 2.9% for this group took effect in October 2006.

There was no rate change for the remaining 4% of exposures in the commercial line of business for the report period.

In 2007, no changes were filed for the voluntary private passenger rates, and the Facility filed a base rate change to the "other-than-clean risks" ceded to the Facility. The filed rates decreased 4.6%, split among a decrease of 9.3% for bodily injury, an increase of 2.4% for property damage, and a decrease of 3.3% for medical payments coverage. The revision also included a decrease of 5.2% for motorcycle liability insurance. This filing was effective on or after October 1, 2007.

#### CLEAN RISK RECOUPMENT

North Carolina law requires carriers to "take all comers" and the risks for whom the voluntary rates are inadequate are often ceded to the Facility. Even in the Facility the rates for "clean risks" are capped at the voluntary rate level. The difference between what this group pays and what they should pay is made up through the statutorily authorized "clean risk" recoupment surcharge applied to the liability premiums of private passenger non-fleet policies. Effective October 2006, this surcharge was 8.82% (before agent compensation); through June 2007, it generated approximately \$188.8 million.

#### OPERATING RESULTS

Last year, we noted that positive equity had been restored and the loss recoupment surcharge had expired for policies effective after March 31, 2006, as planned.

The North Carolina automobile market saw improvement in loss experience, and coupled with the liability rate increases and clean risk recoupment, the Facility began to see operating gains without any increase in market share.

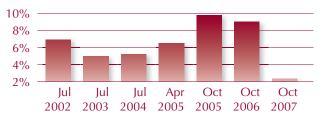
#### INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment income contributed \$31 million due in part to higher returns on the portfolio from the operating gains and some improvement on investment yields. There were also some minor revisions during this fiscal year to the portfolio's Investment Policy to improve performance with continued low risk.

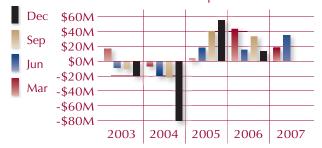
#### MEMBER'S EQUITY

The Facility is required to operate at neither a profit nor loss. As part of this balancing act, the recoupment surcharges are reviewed at least annually and adjusted as appropriate. In July 2007, the Board of Governors, as authorized by statute, approved that the otherwise applicable clean risk recoupment be reduced to reflect credit for the entire balance of Member's Equity surplus generated by the Private Passenger line of business as of March 31, 2007, the most recent period available. The Clean Risk Recoupment surcharge will be reduced from 8.82% (before inclusion of agent compensation) to 2.48% (before inclusion of agent compensation) effective October 2007.

Clean Risk Recoupment Surcharges



**Net Results of Operations** 



# OPPERATIONS ACTIVITY

During this report period, we were the largest residual market mechanism by total written premium volume in the United States. There were 1.04 million policies in force as of June 2007, consisting of 96% Private Passenger non-fleet policies and 4% All Other policies, generating more than 27 million transactions. Cession notice volume was flat over the prior year and written premium for the fiscal year ending September 2007 was estimated to exceed \$760 million – a slight increase over the prior fiscal year attributable to liability rate increases in both voluntary and ceded base rates which became effective in 2006.

# COMPLIANCE ACTIVITY

As part of our responsibility to ensure that the Facility collects the right premium and pays the right losses, regular and special audits are performed on all member companies. This is no small effort as there are over 100 member company groups reporting to the Facility. We continue to emphasize compliance with statutes, rules and regulations, and eligibility for ceded coverage and reimbursement. During this report period almost 6000 premium and claim files were reviewed and approximately \$4.5 million in rating or reporting errors were identified. These audits often identify system problems which enable a company to correct them sooner and minimize the impact.

# LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

The Facility was created by the Legislature in 1973 with N.C.G.S. §58-37 and replaced an Assigned Risk Auto Plan. At that time there was a perceived stigma of being in a bad risk pool, and this new mechanism enabled drivers to select the company of their choice. Since then the legislature has made alterations to address changing conditions in the marketplace.

One such change was House Bill 729, which became law in North Carolina on August 23, 2007. A portion of this legislation was effective on ratification; however, most of the bill's provisions become effective on January 1, 2008. This legislation amends several statutes dealing with the eligibility of risks that can be ceded to the Facility. One of the major changes was in the eligibility for cession of nonfleet private passenger motor vehicles owned by nonresidents.

Prior to this change, N.C.G.S. §58-37-1 provided that nonfleet private passenger motor vehicles owned by nonresidents were eligible risks if they were registered <u>or</u> principally garaged in North Carolina. As amended by House Bill 729, N.C.G.S. §58-37-1 now will provide that such vehicles are eligible risks only if they are registered <u>and</u> principally garaged in North Carolina and supplies a definition of "principally garaged." The

legislation also contains a new section, N.C.G.S. §58-2-164, to address rate evasion fraud and prevention programs that will require consideration by the companies.

# EDGE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

The development of our new Electronic Data Gathering Enterprise (EDGE) system is nearing completion and we are entering the testing phase. This web-based system will allow companies to interface with the Facility like never before, providing them access to the nearly 300 million records of their own reported data.

As some functionality is being phased in, benefits are already being realized. The deadline for reporting accounting data was shortened in early 2007 from 45 days to 25 days – and 100% of member companies achieved the target implementation date! The result is that member companies now receive monthly settlements approximately one month earlier.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) submission of data will be a requirement for EDGE and companies have already begun the transition from reporting to AIPSO via magnetic media to reporting directly to the Facility via FTP. A number of major carriers are already in full production. Special thanks to the migration coordinators at the member companies who are facilitating this progress.

This is the largest development project this organization has ever taken on. The efforts of many dedicated project team members and subject matter experts at the Facility, AIPSO and member companies will be realized when this system goes live. A heartfelt thanks goes out to the project team and especially to the member companies and our Board of Governors who have been so supportive during this effort. It will change the way companies do business with the Facility and offer features such as single sign-on access to the NCRF, NCRB, and NCIGA; real-time ceding of risks; online edits; email alerts; and new online consolidated billing with EFT payment options among others.

# CONCLUSION

It has been a whirlwind of a year. We have managed a lot of ceded business and audited a lot of files all the while attending endless meetings for the EDGE project and supplying lots of information to outside parties about the Facility and how it works. That's our job. And we will continue to try to improve our processes and do it even better. So next year the Facility will still be here, stable as ever, to ensure the availability of auto insurance for all eligible risks

Edith T. Davis

Edith T. Davis, CPA Director, NCRF

# NORTH CAROLINA REINSURANCE FACILITY reinsurance facility

SSETS	June 30, 2006	June 30, 2007
Cash (Checking Account)	\$(80,582)	\$488,997
Investments	757,547,666	848,658,137
Accounts Receivable	42,508,789	38,199,344
Accrued Interest Receivable	7,241,560	7,944,782
Other Assets	61,275	22,784
Total Assets	\$807,278,708	\$895,314,044
IABILITIES & MEMBERS' EQUITY		
Accounts Payable	\$34,526,221	\$27,360,085
Loss Reserves	501,638,712	493,915,306
Unearned Premium Reserves	223,886,672	229,556,308
Other Liabilities	279,069	236,024
Total Liabilities	\$760,330,674	\$751,067,723
Members' Equity	46,948,034	144,246,321
Total Liabilities & Members' Equity	\$807,278,708	\$895,314,044

INCOME	Fiscal Year Thru June 30, 2006	Fiscal Year Thru June 30, 2007
Earned Premiums	\$554,758,981	\$583,740,330
Clean Risk Recoupment	182,867,644	186,848,060
Investment Income	18,661,479	30,899,452
Membership Fee Income	46,950	48,800
Other Income	555,341	411,368
Total Income	\$756,890,395	\$801,948,010
EXPENSES		
Losses Incurred	\$478,293,182	\$495,961,374
Ceding & Claims Expenses	215,247,671	228,940,917
Salaries & Administration Expenses	1,029,784	1,112,401
Outside Services Expenses	1,723,403	2,600,834
Other Operating Expenses	780,105	1,272,469
Total Expenses	\$697,074,145	\$729,887,995
Net Income Before Loss Recoupments	\$59,816,250	\$72,060,015
Loss Recoupments	51,825,962	(1,560,779)
Net Income After Loss Recoupments	\$111,642,212	\$70,499,236

### SHARED RESOURCES



R. MIKE NEWTON

manager, claims

TIM LUCAS

manager, automobile JIM AUMAN

pirector, information technology

AM9 TART

manager, administrative services ТАММЯ СНОВОЯ

manager, quality assurance VICKI GODBOLD

Director, Human Resources

DAVID SINK

pirector,
rinance

### NORF MANAGEMENT STAFF



JANNET BARNES

manager,
compliance

VALERIE PEARSON

supervisor, operations

UNDERWRITING INCOME & EXPENSES Years Ended !	September 30, 2006	September 30, 2005
Premiums Earned	\$743,119,401	\$742,061,858
Clean Risk Recoupment	249,253,969	150,582,254
Total Underwriting Income	\$992,373,370	\$892,644,112
Losses Incurred	\$635,769,818	\$637,647,285
Ceding Expense Allowances	199,881,841	199,256,687
Claims Expense Allowances	93,051,730	91,005,200
Total Underwriting Expenses	\$928,703,389	\$927,909,172
Net Underwriting (Loss) or Gain	\$63,669,981	\$(35,265,060
OTHER INCOME (Expense)		
Net Investment Income	\$31,920,109	\$24,694,189
Net Realized Capital Gains (Losses)	(4,672,275)	528,290
Late Premium Charges and Penalties	465,872	523,989
Membership Fees	47,350	50,550
Cession Notice Charges	21,690	26,159
General and Administrative Expense	(4,880,691)	(3,668,034
Provision for Premium Refunds, Including Interest	-	5,705,552
Other Miscellaneous Income	(4,653)	216,674
Total Other Income (Expense) - Net	\$22,897,402	\$28,077,369
Net Operating (Loss) or Gain	\$86,567,383	\$(7,187,691



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ASSETS YE	ears Ended September 30, 2006	September 30, 2005
Cash and short-term investments	\$83,466,602	\$28,259,744
Long-term investments, at amortized cost	690,122,248	603,487,957
Accrued interest receivable	6,640,099	5,241,584
Receivables from member companies:		
Settlements	53,434,675	59,064,984
Late premium charges and penalties	31,578	43,241
	\$53,466,253	\$59,108,225
Earned but unbilled premiums	_	\$35,357
Total assets	\$833,695,202	\$696,132,867
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Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves:		
In course of settlement	\$390,158,556	\$393,371,809
Incurred but not reported	112,335,543	110,999,151
Total loss and loss adjustment expense reser	ves \$502,494,099	\$504,370,960
Unearned premium reserves	\$232,696,618	\$232,617,782
Settlements payable to member companies	24,465,895	23,432,045
Other liabilities	291,505	406,258
Total liabilities	\$759,948,117	\$760,827,045
Commitments and contingencies		
Members' equity (deficit)	\$73,747,085	\$(64,694,178)
Total liabilities and members' equity (deficit		\$696,132,867





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# Report of Independent Auditors

The Board of Governors North Carolina Reinsurance Facility

We have audited the accompanying special-purpose balance sheets of the North Carolina Reinsurance Facility (the Facility, a partnership) as of September 30, 2006 and 2005, and the related special-purpose statements of operations, members' equity (deficit) and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Facility's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these special-purpose financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Facility's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the accompanying special-purpose financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of complying with, and on the basis of accounting practices specified in the "Standard Practice Manual," which were approved for use by and within the authority of the Chair of the Facility's Board of Governors and are not intended to be a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In our opinion, the special-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the North Carolina Reinsurance Facility at September 30, 2006 and 2005, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting practices prescribed by the Facility's Standard Practice Manual.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Governors, the member companies and the North Carolina Department of Insurance and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

February 9, 2007

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