Minutes of the Meeting of
the Management Committee of the
Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission

Wednesday, December 20, 2006
Conference Call

Management Committee Members in Attendance:
Commissioner Diane Koken (PA), Chair
Commissioner Jane Cline (WV), Vice-Chair
Commissioner Glenn Wilson (MN), Secretary-Treasurer
Margaret Witten (GA) as designated representative for Commissioner John Oxendine
Carol Mihalik (IN) as designated representative for Commissioner Jim Atterholt
Commissioner Jim Long (NC)
Peg Ising (OH) as designated representative for Director Ann Womer Benjamin
Commissioner Kim Holland (OK)
Sara Waitt as designated representative for Commissioner Mike Geeslin (TX)
Herb Olson (VT) as designated representative for Commissioner John Crowley
Don Beatty as designated representative for Commissioner Alfred W. Gross (VA)
Beth Berendt as designated representative for Commissioner Mike Kreidler (WA)

Interim Consumer Advisory Committee Members in Attendance:
Brendan Bridgeland (Center for Insurance Research)

Interim Industry Advisory Committee in Attendance:
Miriam Krol, as representative for Michael Lovendusky
Dennis Herchel (MassMutual Life Insurance Company)
Michael Gerber (National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors)

1. Consider Report and Adopt Recommendations of the Product Standards Committee

Commissioner Roger Sevigny (NH) provided the report of the Product Standards Committee. Using the standards drafted by the NAIC’s Interstate Compact National Standards Working Group, the committee has developed a series of proposed standards covering benefit features which may be added to policies by rider, endorsement, amendment, or incorporation in policy forms. This set of standards was designated as an early priority for the Commission so that companies would have more options in products filed for approval. These standards were the subject of public meetings of the Standards Committee on November 3, 2006 and December 1, 2006. These standards contain one set of generic rules applicable to all benefits added by rider, endorsement or amendment. There are also standards for benefits related to accelerated death, accidental death, accidental death and dismemberment, waiver of premium, waiver of monthly deductions and waiver of premium for child insurance. The application change form standards were developed for use when making changes to an applicant’s answers on an application and were designed to accompany the individual life insurance application standards, which have already been published for public comment. Commissioner Sevigny stated that the Product Standards Committee recommends to the Management Committee that it initiate the rulemaking process by issuing these nine standards for a 60-day public comment period.
Mr. Olson made a motion to publish the following standards for notice and comment in accordance with the Commission’s rulemaking rule: 1) Standards for Waiver of Premium Benefit; 2) Standards for Waiver of Monthly Deductions Benefit; 3) Standards for Waiver of Premium Benefit for Child Insurance in the Event of Payor’s Total Disability or Death; 4) Standards for Application Change Form. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion was passed by unanimous vote.

2. Discuss 2007 Management Committee Schedule

The Management Committee agreed to have a ninety (90) minute standing monthly meeting to occur on the fourth Monday of every month at 1:30 p.m. Eastern. The Management Committee asked Ms. Arricale (IIPRC) to investigate the possibility of holding a products standards meeting in Chicago in April 2007.

3. Other Business

Commissioner Koken announced the legislature in Michigan has passed the Compact legislation and the bill is waiting signature of Governor Granholm. Commissioner Koken stated Michigan would be one of the six largest states in the Compact and would have an automatic seat on the Management Committee and Georgia would move to the mid-tier category of the Management Committee, bringing the committee’s membership to its full complement of fourteen (14) members.

Having no further business, the Management Committee adjourned.