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TO: ALL LICENSED DOMESTIC STOCK AND MUTUAL INSURERS, INSURER TRADE ASSOCIATIONS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: REPEAL AND RESCISSION OF RULE AND REGULATION 8, “RESUBMISSION OF OVERWRITING, MANAGEMENT AND EXCLUSIVE AGENCY CONTRACTS” – EFFECTIVE 4-1-2004

The Department (DOI) has repealed and rescinded Rule and Regulation 8, effective April 1, 2004. See a copy of the one-page repealed Rule 8 attached to this Bulletin.

Domestic stock and mutual insurers who secure DOI approval of an overwrite contract, management or exclusive agency contract under Ark. Code Ann. §23-69-137 or other applicable laws recited in that repealed rule thereafter will no longer have to re-file that unchanged and previously-approved contract annually with the Department.

CAVEAT – New, substantially amended or revised, or restated service or agency contracts may require a one-time DOI filing and approval under Section 23-69-137, or under more modern but unrelated laws, such as holding company filings of affiliate contracts pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§23-63-514 and 515 and companion DOI Rule 15; or under Ark. Code Ann. §23-63-105 as to service contracts for out-sourcing all or most of the domestic insurer’s administrative functions; or Managing General Agent/Agency contracts governing licensees operating in Arkansas under Ark. Code Ann. §§23-64-401, et seq.

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