BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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In Re: Declaration of Emergency Pursuant to Section 6218 of the Oklahoma Insurance)	Case No. 11	1-0600-EMG	NOV	17	2011
Code)		II	NSURANCE OKL		MISSIONER

EXTENSION OF DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY AND ORDER

The State of Oklahoma, ex rel. John Doak, Insurance Commissioner, on this day of November, 2011, issues this order based upon the following findings and conclusions of law, to wit:

JURISDICTION

- 1. That John Doak is the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oklahoma and as such is charged with the duty of administering and enforcing all provisions of the Oklahoma Insurance Code, 36 O.S. §§ 101-7004.
- 2. That pursuant to 36 O.S. § 6218, in the event of a catastrophe, the Insurance Commissioner may declare an emergency to exist, and in the event of such declaration, the Commissioner may issue a license as an emergency adjuster to any resident or nonresident applicant.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. That on or about May 21, 2011 through May 25, 2011, a severe outbreak of spring storms caused widespread damage to people and property in the State of Oklahoma, resulting in a catastrophe and that as a result of this catastrophe, an emergency exists.
- 2. On May 25, 2011, a Declaration of Emergency and Order was issued regarding the storms that occurred on May 21, 2011 through May 25, 2011.

- 3. On August 22, 2011, an Extension of Declaration of Emergency and Order was issued that extended the May 25, 2011 Order for an additional ninety (90) days, to November 20, 2011.
- 4. On November 14, 2011, the Oklahoma Insurance Department received a request for an extension of the August 22, 2011 Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. That, pursuant to 36 O.S. § 6218, in the event of a catastrophe, the Insurance Commissioner may declare an emergency to exist, and in the event of such a declaration, the Commissioner may issue a license as an emergency adjuster to any resident or nonresident applicant.
- 2. That, pursuant to 36 O.S. § 6218, an individual licensed as an emergency adjuster pursuant to that section may only adjust claims related to that catastrophe.
- 3. That, pursuant 36 O.S. § 6218, a license as an emergency adjuster shall remain in force for not more than ninety (90) days from the date of issue, unless extended for an additional ninety (90) days by the Commissioner.
- 4. That, pursuant to 36 O.S. § 6218, the Insurance Commissioner should declare that an emergency exists.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE DECLARED AND ORDERED by the Insurance Commissioner that an emergency exists due to a catastrophe caused by a severe outbreak of spring storms on or about May 21, 2011 through May 25, 2011, causing widespread damage to the people and property of the State of Oklahoma.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the request for extension is granted for ninety (90) days from the expiration of the August 22, 2011 Order, or February 21, 2011.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that emergency licenses may hereby be issued to those adjusters who are currently duly licensed and in good standing in another State of the United States of America, to serve as emergency adjusters pursuant to 36 O.S. § 6218 only to adjust losses occurring as a result of the catastrophe due to a severe outbreak of spring storms on or around May 21, 2011 through May 25, 2011.



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