

BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In Re: Declaration of Emergency Pursuant )  
to Section 6218 of the Oklahoma Insurance ) Case No. 12-0461-EMG  
Code )

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**EXTENSION OF  
DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY AND ORDER**

The State of Oklahoma, ex rel. John Doak, Insurance Commissioner, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012, 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 19, 2012 through May 20, 2012, 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 21, 2012, a Declaration of Emergency and Order was issued regarding the storms that occurred on May 19, 2012 through May 20, 2012.

3. On August 14, 2012, the Oklahoma Insurance Department received a request for an extension of the May 21, 2012 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 19, 2012 through May 20, 2012, 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 May 21, 2012 Order.

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 19, 2012 through May 20, 2012.



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