

ITEM 8. NOTICES TO THE **COMPANY**:

(a) All notices of occurrence, claim, suit, or proceeding: ALLIED WORLD NATIONAL ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC.
ATTN: CLAIMS DEPARTMENT
199 WATER STREET, 29TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10038

FACSIMILE: 646-794-0811
E-MAIL: AWACUS.GeneralCasualtyClaims@awac.com

(b) All other notices: ALLIED WORLD NATIONAL ASSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.) INC.
ATTN: GENERAL CASUALTY
199 WATER STREET, 24TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10038

FACSIMILE: 646-794-0611

ITEM 9. (a) Representative of **Insured**: AmWINS Insurance Brokerage of California, LLC
(b) Address: 21550 Oxnard Street, Suite 1100
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

In Witness Whereof, the Insurer has caused this policy to be executed and attested, but this policy shall not be valid unless countersigned by a duly authorized representative of the Insurer.



President



Asst. Secretary



AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

California Premium:	<u>\$4,550,000.00</u>
Non-Taxable Fees:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Taxable Fees:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Surplus Lines Tax:	<u>\$136,500.00</u>
Stamping Fee:	<u>\$11,375.00</u>

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

- 1. The insurance policy that you have purchased is being issued by an insurer that is not licensed by the State of California. These companies are called “nonadmitted” or “surplus line” insurers.**
- 2. The insurer is not subject to the financial solvency regulation and enforcement that apply to California licensed insurers.**
- 3. The insurer does not participate in any of the insurance guarantee funds created by California law. Therefore, these funds will not pay your claims or protect your assets if the insurer becomes insolvent and is unable to make payments as promised.**
- 4. The insurer should be licensed either as a foreign insurer in another state in the United States or as a non-United States (alien) insurer. You should ask questions of your insurance agent, broker, or “surplus line” broker or contact the California Department of Insurance at the toll-free number 1-800-927-4357 or internet website www.insurance.ca.gov. Ask whether or not the insurer is licensed as a foreign or non-United States (alien) insurer and for additional information about the insurer. You may also visit the NAIC’s internet website at www.naic.org. The NAIC—the National Association of Insurance Commissioners—is the regulatory support organization created and governed by the chief insurance regulators in the United States.**
- 5. Foreign insurers should be licensed by a state in the United States and you may contact that state’s department of insurance to obtain more information about that insurer. You can find a link to each state from this NAIC internet website: https://naic.org/state_web_map.htm.**
- 6. For non-United States (alien) insurers, the insurer should be licensed by a country outside of the United States and should be on**

the NAIC's International Insurers Department (IID) listing of approved nonadmitted non-United States insurers. Ask your agent, broker, or "surplus line" broker to obtain more information about that insurer.

7. California maintains a "List of Approved Surplus Line Insurers (LASLI)." Ask your agent or broker if the insurer is on that list, or view that list at the internet website of the California Department of Insurance: www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/120-company/07-lasli/lasli.cfm.

8. If you, as the applicant, required that the insurance policy you have purchased be effective immediately, either because existing coverage was going to lapse within two business days or because you were required to have coverage within two business days, and you did not receive this disclosure form and a request for your signature until after coverage became effective, you have the right to cancel this policy within five days of receiving this disclosure. If you cancel coverage, the premium will be prorated and any broker's fee charged for this insurance will be returned to you.

Policy Number: 0312-4087

Named Insured: Authority for California Cities Excess Liability (ACCEL)

Effective Date: July 1, 2022

12:01 A.M., Standard Time

SCHEDULE OF FORMS AND ENDORSEMENT

The following forms and endorsements are made a part of this Policy:

<u>Endorsement Number</u>	<u>Form # / Edition</u>	<u>Title</u>
	GL 00140 00 (12/11)	Declarations
1	GL 00323 00 (05/09)	Schedule of Underlying Insurance
2	00136 (11/05)	U.S. Treasury Department's Office Of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") Advisory Notice To Policyholders
3	00241 (11/05)	Asbestos Exclusion
4	00275 (03/12)	Service of Suit
5	GL 00267 00 (01/15)	Exclusion of Certified Acts of Terrorism and Other Acts of Terrorism
6	GL 00390 00 (07/13)	Claims Reporting Amendment (Amendment of Condition F. Duties in the Event of Occurrence, Claim or Suit)
7	GL 00621 00 (07/20)	Communicable Disease And Infectious Agent Exclusion
8	Z-XSFF 00307 00 (02/22)	No Drop Down (Deletion of Paragraph F. of Section IV - Limits of Insurance)
	GL 00127 00 (09/07)	Policy Form

CALIFORNIA – SUITS INVOLVING A SURPLUS LINES BROKER - REMEDIES

- A. A surplus lines insurer may be sued upon any cause of action arising in this state under any surplus lines insurance contract made by it, or any evidence of insurance issued or delivered by the surplus lines broker, pursuant to the procedure set forth in Sections 1610 to 1620, inclusive. Any policy or evidence of insurance issued by the surplus lines insurer or the surplus lines broker shall contain a provision stating the substance of this section, and designating the person to whom the Commissioner shall mail process.
- B. Every surplus lines insurer assuming a surplus lines insurance shall be deemed thereby to have subjected itself to this chapter.
- C. The remedies provided by this section shall be in addition to any other methods provided by law for service of process.

Endorsement No.: 1

This Endorsement, effective: July 1, 2022
(at 12:01 A.M. prevailing time at the address stated in Item 1. (b) of the Declarations)
forms a part of Policy No.: 0312-4087
Issued to: Authority for California Cities Excess Liability (ACCEL)
By: Allied World National Assurance Company

SCHEDULE OF UNDERLYING INSURANCE

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Insurer</u> <u>Policy Number</u> <u>Policy Period</u>	<u>Limits of Insurance</u>	
MOC	Authority for California Cities Excess Liability – Memorandum of Coverage MOC 2022-2023 July 1, 2022 - July 1, 2023	US\$10,000,000	Each Occurrence

Defense costs:

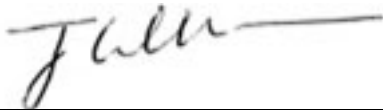
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The Limits of Insurance listed in the policy above.

All other terms and conditions of this **policy** remain unchanged.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

Title: President, North American Casualty Division

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

Endorsement No.: 2

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**U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN
ASSETS CONTROL ("OFAC")
ADVISORY NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS**

No coverage is provided by this Policyholder Notice nor can it be construed to replace any provisions of this **policy**.

This Notice provides information concerning the possible impact on this **policy's** coverage due to directives issued by OFAC. **Please read this Notice carefully.**

The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) administers and enforces sanctions, based on Presidential declarations of "national emergency". OFAC has identified and listed numerous:

- Foreign agents;
- Front organizations;
- Terrorists;
- Terrorist organizations; and
- Narcotics traffickers;

as "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons". This list can be located on the United States Treasury's web site – <http://www.treas.gov/ofac>.

In accordance with OFAC regulations, if it is determined that the Named **Insured** or any other **insured**, or any person or entity claiming the benefits of this **policy** has violated U.S. sanctions law or is a Specially Designated National and Blocked Person, as identified by OFAC, this **policy** will be considered a blocked or frozen contract and all provisions of this **policy** are immediately subject to OFAC. When an insurance policy is considered to be such a blocked or frozen contract, no payments or premium refunds may be made without authorization from OFAC. Other limitations on the premiums and payments also apply.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

Title: President, North American Casualty Division

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

Endorsement No.: 3

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ASBESTOS EXCLUSION

It is agreed that this **policy** does not provide coverage for:

- A. Any liability, **loss**, cost or expense based upon, resulting directly, or indirectly, from, arising in whole, or in part, out of or in any way involving the mining, manufacture, distribution, sale, installation, removal, utilization, ingestion, inhalation or existence of, or exposure to, asbestos in any form or any products or materials containing asbestos; or
- B. Any **loss**, cost or expense arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralizing, remediating or disposing of, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, asbestos in any form or any products or materials containing asbestos, by any **insured** or by any other person or organization.

All other terms and conditions of this **policy** remain unchanged.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

Title: President, North American Casualty Division

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

Endorsement No.: 4

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SERVICE OF SUIT

It is agreed that the following condition is added to Section V – Conditions of this **policy**:

Service Of Suit

In the event of failure of the **company** to pay any amount claimed to be due hereunder, the **company**, at the request of the **insured**, will submit to the jurisdiction of a court of competent jurisdiction within the United States. Nothing in this condition constitutes or should be understood to constitute a waiver of the **company's** rights to commence an action in any court of competent jurisdiction in the United States, to remove an action to a United States District Court, or to seek transfer of a case to another court as permitted by the laws of the United States or of any state in the United States. It is further agreed that service of process in such suit may be made upon counsel, Legal Department, Allied World Assurance Company, 199 Water Street, 24th Floor, New York, NY 10038 or his or her representative, and that in any suit instituted against the **company** upon this **policy**, the **company** will abide by the final decision of such court or of any appellate court in the event of an appeal.

Further, pursuant to any statute of any state, territory, or district of the United States which makes provision therefor, the **company** hereby designates the Superintendent, Commissioner or Director of Insurance, or other officer specified for that purpose in the statute, or his or her successors in office, as its true and lawful agent upon whom may be served any lawful process in any action, suit, or proceeding instituted by or on behalf of the **insured** or any beneficiary hereunder arising out of this **policy** of insurance and hereby designates the above named as the person to whom the said officer is authorized to mail such process or a true copy thereof.

All other terms and conditions of this **policy** remain unchanged.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

Title: **President, North American Casualty Division**

Date of Issuance: **August 10, 2022**

Endorsement No.: 5

This Endorsement, effective: July 1, 2022

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By: Allied World National Assurance Company

EXCLUSION OF CERTIFIED ACTS OF TERRORISM AND OTHER ACTS OF TERRORISM

It is agreed that this **policy** does not provide coverage for any liability, **loss**, cost or expense resulting directly, or indirectly, from or arising in whole, or in part, out of a **certified act of terrorism** or an **other act of terrorism**.

Certified act of terrorism means an act that is certified by the Secretary of the Treasury, in accordance with the provisions of the federal Terrorism Risk Insurance Act, to be an act of terrorism pursuant to such Act. The criteria contained in the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act for a **certified act of terrorism** include the following:

- a. The act resulted in insured losses in excess of \$5 million in the aggregate, attributable to all types of insurance subject to the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act; and
- b. The act is a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure and is committed by an individual or individuals as part of an effort to coerce the civilian population of the United States or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of the United States Government by coercion.

Other act of terrorism means a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure that is committed by an individual or individuals outside of the United States (including its territories and possessions and Puerto Rico) that appears to be part of an effort to coerce a civilian population or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of any government by coercion, and the act is not certified as a terrorist act pursuant to the federal Terrorism Risk Insurance Act, as now constituted or hereafter amended.

With respect to an **other act of terrorism**, this exclusion applies only when one or more of the following are attributed to such act:

- a. The total of insured damage to all types of property exceeds \$25,000,000. In determining whether the \$25,000,000 threshold is exceeded, the **company** will include all insured damage sustained by property of all persons and entities affected by the terrorism and business interruption losses sustained by owners or occupants of the damaged property. For the purpose of this provision, insured damage means damage that is covered by any insurance plus damage that would be covered by any insurance but for the application of any terrorism exclusions;
- b. Fifty (50) or more persons sustain death or serious physical injury. For the purposes of this provision, serious physical injury means:
 1. Physical injury that involves a substantial risk of death;
 2. Protracted and obvious physical disfigurement; or
 3. Protracted loss of or impairment of the function of a bodily member or organ;

- c. The terrorism involves the use, release or escape of nuclear materials, or directly or indirectly results in nuclear reaction or radiation or radioactive contamination;
- d. The terrorism is carried out by means of the dispersal or application of pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials; or
- e. Pathogenic or poisonous biological or chemical materials are released, and it appears that one purpose of the terrorism was to release such materials.

With respect to this exclusion, Paragraphs a. and b. describe the thresholds used to measure the magnitude of an incident of an **other act of terrorism** and the circumstances in which the threshold will apply for the purpose of determining whether this exclusion will apply to that incident.

All other terms and conditions of this **policy** remain unchanged.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

**Title: President, North American Casualty
Division**

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

Endorsement No.: 6

This endorsement, effective: July 1, 2022

(at 12:01 A.M. standard time at the address of the Named **Insured** as shown in Item 1. (b) of the Declarations)

forms a part of Policy No.: 0312-4087

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By: Allied World National Assurance Company

**CLAIMS REPORTING AMENDMENT
(AMENDMENT OF CONDITION F. DUTIES IN THE EVENT OF
OCCURRENCE, CLAIM OR SUIT)**

It is agreed that this **policy** is amended as follows:

SECTION V – CONDITIONS, Paragraph F. Duties In The Event Of Occurrence, Claim Or Suit is amended to include the following additional provisions:

The **insured** must provide the **company** with immediate written notice of any claim, either paid or reserved, for twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the applicable limits of **underlying excess insurance**.

The **insured** must also give the **company** immediate written notice of any injury of the following types:

- a. a fatality;
- b. severe burns;
- c. traumatic brain injury;
- d. dismemberment or amputation;
- e. paralysis;
- f. loss or impairment of eyesight or hearing; or
- g. severe scarring.
- h. a sexual assault or battery, including, but not limited to, rape, molestation or sexual abuse.

All other terms and conditions of this **policy** remain unchanged.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

Title: President, North American Casualty Division

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

Endorsement No.: 7

This Endorsement, effective: July 1, 2022

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By: Allied World National Assurance Company

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE AND INFECTIOUS AGENT EXCLUSION

Notwithstanding any other provision of this **policy**, it is agreed that this **policy** does not provide coverage for any liability, **loss**, injury, damage, cost or expense resulting directly, or indirectly, from or arising in whole, or in part, out of, or relating in any way to:

1. any **Communicable Disease** or **Infectious Agent**; or
2. any loss, cost or expense relating to the testing, monitoring, sanitizing, clean-up, removal, containment, treatment, disposal, replacement, rehabilitation of, or responding in any way to, real or personal property due to actual or suspected contamination by a **Communicable Disease** or **Infectious Agent**.

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any **insured** allege negligence or other wrongdoing, breach of duty or violation of law in:

- a. supervising, hiring, employing, training or monitoring of others that may be a host or carrier of an **Infectious Agent** or infected with a **Communicable Disease**;
- b. testing or failure to test for an **Infectious Agent** or **Communicable Disease**;
- c. failure to prevent or limit the spread of an **Infectious Agent** or **Communicable Disease**;
- d. failure to warn or inadequacy of any warnings or instructions related to the actual or potential presence of an **Infectious Agent** or **Communicable Disease**;
- e. failure to report the presence of a known or suspected **Infectious Agent** or **Communicable Disease** to a governing authority or organization; or
- f. any other measures taken in response to the actual or suspected presence of an **Infectious Agent** or **Communicable Disease**.

Solely for the purpose of this endorsement, SECTION VI - DEFINITIONS is amended to include the following additional definitions:

Communicable Disease means any disease, illness or bodily condition caused by the direct or indirect transmission by any means of or exposure to an **Infectious Agent**.

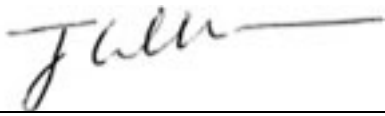
Infectious Agent means any bacteria, virus, toxin, parasite or other organism or biological entity capable of causing a **Communicable Disease** or exacerbating or accelerating an existing bodily condition or illness.

It is understood that to the extent any coverage may otherwise be provided under this **policy** and its endorsements, the provisions of this exclusion shall be applicable and shall supersede any such other provisions.

All other terms and conditions of this **policy** remain unchanged.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

**Title: President, North American Casualty
Division**

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

Endorsement No.: 8

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**NO DROP DOWN
(DELETION OF PARAGRAPH F. OF SECTION IV –
LIMITS OF INSURANCE)**

It is agreed that this **policy** is amended as follow:

SECTION IV – LIMITS OF INSURANCE, Paragraph F. is deleted in its entirety.

All other terms and conditions of this **policy** remain unchanged.

Allied World National Assurance Company

By:



Joseph Cellura

Title: President, North American Casualty Division

Date of Issuance: August 10, 2022

**POLICYHOLDER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER THE
TERRORISM RISK INSURANCE ACT**

The **insured** is hereby notified that under the federal Terrorism Risk Insurance Act, as amended, (the "Act"), the **insured** has a right to purchase insurance coverage for **losses** arising out of an Act of Terrorism, as defined in Section 102(1) of the Act. The term "act of terrorism" means any act certified by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Attorney General of the United States to be an act of terrorism; to be a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property, or infrastructure; to have resulted in damage within the United States, or outside of the United States in case of certain air carriers or vessels or the premises of a United States mission; and to have been committed by an individual or individuals as part of an effort to coerce the civilian population of the United States or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of the United States Government by coercion. The **insured** should read the Act for a complete description of its coverage. The Secretary's decision to certify or not to certify an event as an Act of Terrorism covered by the Act is final and not subject to review.

Coverage provided by this **policy** for **losses** caused by a Certified Act of Terrorism may be partially reimbursed by the United States Government under a formula established by federal law. However, the **insured's policy** may contain other exclusions that might affect coverage, such as an exclusion for nuclear events. Under the formula, the United States Government will generally reimburse 85% through 2015; 84% beginning on January 1, 2016; 83% beginning on January 1, 2017; 82% beginning on January 1, 2018; 81% beginning on January 1, 2019; and 80% beginning on January 1, 2020, of covered terrorism **losses** exceeding a statutorily established deductible that must be met by the **company**, and which deductible is based on a percentage of the **company's** direct earned premiums for the year preceding the Certified Act of Terrorism.

Be advised that the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act, as amended, contains a \$100 billion cap on all losses resulting from Certified Acts of Terrorism. If aggregate insured losses attributable to Certified Acts of Terrorism exceed \$100 billion in a calendar year, the United States Government shall not make any payment for any portion of the amount of such loss that exceeds \$100 billion. If aggregate insured losses attributable to Certified Acts of Terrorism exceed \$100 billion in a calendar year and the **company** has met its deductible under the Act, the **company** shall not be liable for payment of any portion of the losses that exceeds \$100 billion, and in such case, insured losses up to that amount are subject to pro rata allocation in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Coverage for "insured losses" as defined in the Act is subject to the coverage terms, conditions, amounts and limits in this **policy** applicable to **losses** arising from events other than Certified Acts of Terrorism.

The **insured** should know that under federal law, the **insured** is not required to purchase coverage for **losses** caused by Certified Acts of Terrorism.

Please indicate the selection of the **insured** below.

The **insured** hereby elects to purchase coverage in accordance with the Act for a premium of \$45,500.00.

The **insured** hereby rejects coverage and accepts reinstatement of the exclusion in accordance with the Act.

Signature of **insured**

Authority for California Cities Excess Liability
(ACCEL)

Print/Title

0312-4087

Date

ALLIED WORLD NATIONAL ASSURANCE COMPANY

FOLLOWING FORM EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICY

Words and phrases that appear in **bold** print have special meanings that are defined under Section VI – Definitions of this **policy**. If the Followed Policy listed in Item 6. of the Declarations has defined a word or phrase, this **policy** will follow that definition unless this **policy** expressly defines such word or phrase, in which case the meaning given to such word or phrase in this **policy** will apply. Please read the entire **policy** and the Followed Policy listed in Item 6. of the Declarations carefully.

SECTION I - INSURING AGREEMENT

- A. Subject to all the warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations applicable to this **policy**, the **company** shall pay, on behalf of the **insured**, that part of **loss**, to which this **policy** applies, which exceeds the applicable **underlying limits**. This **policy** does not provide coverage for any part of **loss** within **underlying limits**, or any related cost or expenses.
- B. This **policy** only applies if the **triggering event** that must happen during the policy period of the Followed Policy happens during the Policy Period, as stated in Item 2. of the Declarations, of this **policy**.
- C. This **policy** does not provide coverage for any:
1. Injury or damage that occurs;
 2. Accident that occurs;
 3. Offense that was committed; or
 4. Act, error or omission that occurs;

Before the Retroactive Date, if any, stated in Item 3. of the Declarations of this **policy**.

- D. This **policy** will follow the warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations that are contained in the Followed Policy listed in Item 6. of the Declarations unless a warranty,

term, condition, exclusion or limitation contained in this **policy**:

1. Differs from a warranty, term, condition, exclusion or limitation of the Followed Policy; or
 2. Is not contained in the Followed Policy; In which case, such warranty, term, condition, exclusion or limitation of this **policy** will apply, to the extent that it provides less coverage than the Followed Policy.
- E. Regardless of any other warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions or limitations of this **policy**, if any policy of **underlying excess insurance** does not cover **loss** for reasons other than exhaustion of its applicable limit of liability by payment of claims, then this **policy** will not cover such **loss**.
- F. The **company** has no obligation under this **policy** with respect to any claim, suit or proceeding settled without its prior written consent.
- G. If the **company** is prevented by law from paying on behalf of the **insured** for coverage provided under this **policy**, then the **company** will indemnify the **insured**.
- H. Other than as provided under Section II - Defense And Supplementary Payments of this **policy**, the **company** will have no other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services under this **policy**.

SECTION II - DEFENSE AND SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS

Subject to all the warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations applicable to this **policy**:

- A. The **company** shall have the right, but not the duty, to assume charge of the investigation, settlement or defense of any claim made, suit brought, or proceeding instituted against any **insured** upon exhaustion of the applicable **underlying limits**. If the **company** has exercised such right, it will not investigate,

settle or defend any claim, suit or proceeding after it has exhausted the applicable Limit Of Insurance of this **policy** as stated in Item 4. of the Declarations. If the **company** does not exercise such right, or if the applicable **underlying limits** are not exhausted, the **company** will have the right, and will be given the opportunity, to associate effectively with the **insured** or any underlying insurer, or both, in the investigation, settlement or defense of any claim, suit or proceeding that is likely to involve this **policy**. In such event, the **insured**, the underlying insurer, and the **company** shall cooperate in the investigation, settlement or defense of such claim, suit or proceeding.

B. The **company** will only pay the following defense and supplementary expenses:

1. Interest that accrues on a judgment after entry of the judgment and before the **company** has paid, offered to pay, or deposited in court the part of the judgment that is within the applicable Limit Of Insurance of this **policy**;
2. Reasonable attorney fees and other reasonable investigation, loss-adjustment or litigation expenses incurred directly by the **company** or by the **insured**, with the **company's** consent;
3. The cost of bonds required to:
 - i. Appeal judgments (in connection with the initiation and continuation of any appeal agreed to by the **company**); or
 - ii. Release attachments;
But only for bond amounts within the applicable Limit Of Insurance of this **policy**; and
4. Pre-judgment interest on that part of a judgment within the applicable Limit Of Insurance of this **policy**; however, if the **company** makes an offer to pay the applicable Limit Of Insurance prior to judgment, it will not pay any pre-

judgment interest that accrues after its offer.

C. When defense or supplementary payments do not reduce any of the **underlying limits** provided by **underlying excess insurance**, then any such expense payment made under this **policy** will not reduce the Limits Of Insurance provided by this **policy**.

SECTION III - WHO IS AN INSURED

The following persons and organizations qualify as **insureds**:

- A. The Named **Insured** designated in Item 1. (a) of the Declarations;
- B. Any person or organization (other than a person or organization included in C. below) qualifying as an insured in every policy of **underlying excess insurance** and every applicable policy of **underlying primary insurance**; and
- C. Any person or organization to whom any person or organization included in paragraph A. or B. above is obligated by virtue of a written contract or written agreement (other than a contract or policy of insurance) to provide insurance such as is afforded by this **policy**, but:
 1. Only if such person or organization qualifies as an insured in every policy of **underlying excess insurance** and every applicable policy of **underlying primary insurance**; and
 2. Only to the extent of such obligation and no further.

SECTION IV - LIMITS OF INSURANCE

- A. The Limits Of Insurance of this **policy** stated in Item 4. of the Declarations and the rules below determine the most the **company** will pay for **loss**, regardless of the number of:
 1. **Insureds**;
 2. Claims made, suits brought, or proceedings instituted;
 3. Persons or organizations making claims, bringing suits, or instituting proceedings;
 4. Vehicles involved; or
 5. Coverages provided under this **policy**.

- B. The Limits Of Insurance of this **policy** will apply only in excess of the **underlying limits**.
- C. The Each Occurrence Limit stated in Item 4. (a) of the Declarations is the most the **company** will pay for **loss** arising out of any one occurrence. Any amount paid for **loss** will reduce the amount of the applicable aggregate Limit Of Insurance of this **policy** available for any other payment. If the applicable aggregate Limit Of Insurance of this **policy** has been reduced to an amount that is less than the Each Occurrence Limit stated in Item 4. (a) of the Declarations, the remaining amount of such aggregate Limit Of Insurance is the most that will be available for any other payment.
- D. Subject to the Each Occurrence Limit stated in Item 4. (a) of the Declarations, the Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit stated in Item 4. (b) of the Declarations is the most the **company** will pay for **loss** under the products-completed operations hazard, as that hazard is defined in the Followed Policy.
- E. Subject to the Each Occurrence Limit stated in Item 4. (a) of the Declarations, the Other Aggregate Limit stated in Item 4. (c) of the Declarations is the most the **company** will pay for **loss** under this **policy**, except **loss**:
 - 1. Included in the products-completed operations hazard, as that hazard is defined in the Followed Policy; or
 - 2. Otherwise covered by the Followed Policy, but to which no aggregate limit in the Followed Policy applies, but only if all other **underlying excess insurance** also does not apply an aggregate limit to such **loss**.
- F. Subject to paragraphs C., D., and E. above, if the **underlying limits** have been reduced by payment of **loss** to which this **policy** would also apply (but for the existence of such **underlying limits**), then this **policy** will drop down to become immediately excess of the reduced **underlying limits**, but only if all

underlying excess insurance applies to such **loss** and also drops down.

- G. **Underlying limits** will not be reduced by:
 - 1. The insolvency of, or unwillingness to pay by, any insurer;
 - 2. The uncollectibility of any self-insured retention, deductible or other alternative risk-financing mechanism;
 - 3. Any **insured's** failure to pay any allocation, deductible, participation, retention, or other self-insurance;
 - 4. The existence of a sub-limit of liability in any **underlying excess insurance**;
 - 5. Cancellation, expiration or rescission of any **underlying primary insurance** or **underlying excess insurance**;
 - 6. Defense or supplementary expense payments, unless the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance of this **policy** specifies that the applicable limits of **underlying excess insurance** are reduced by such payments; or
 - 7. Any **underlying excess insurance** containing a warranty, term, condition, exclusion or limitation different from the Followed Policy or this **policy**.
- H. If after issuance, the Policy Period of this **policy**, stated in Item 2. of the Declarations, is extended, then the additional period will be deemed part of the last preceding period for purposes of determining the Limits Of Insurance of this **policy**.

SECTION V - CONDITIONS

- A. Appeals

The **company** may, at its option, initiate or continue an appeal of a judgment against any **insured** if the judgment is for more than the **underlying limits**. If the **company** initiates or continues an appeal, it will pay its costs of the appeal subject to Section II – Defense And Supplementary Payments. In no event will the amount the **company** pays for **loss** exceed the Limits Of Insurance of this **policy**.
- B. Cancellation
 - 1. The first Named **Insured** designated in item 1. (a) of the Declarations may cancel this **policy** by mailing or delivering to the **company**, at the address stated in Item 8. (b) of the Declarations, advance

written notice stating when such cancellation is to take effect.

2. The **company** may cancel this **policy** by delivering to the first Named **Insured**, or by mailing to the first Named **Insured** (by registered, certified, or other first class mail), at the address stated in Item 1. (b) of the Declarations, written notice, not less than thirty (30) days [or ten (10) days in the event any premium is not paid when due], in advance of the cancellation date. Proof of mailing of such notice to the first Named **Insured** at the address stated in Item 1. (b) of the Declarations will be sufficient proof of notice.
3. The Policy Period of this **policy** will end on the date and hour specified in the cancellation notice.
4. If the **insured** cancels this **policy**, the **company** will be due the greater of either:
 - a) The sum of:
 - i. The earned amount of the Minimum And Advance Premium stated in Item 7. (a) of the Declarations; plus
 - ii. 10% of the unearned amount of the Minimum And Advance Premium stated in Item 7. (a) of the Declarations; or
 - b) The Minimum Earned Premium, if any, stated in Item 7. (b) of the Declarations.

After deduction of the amount due the **company** as determined above, the remaining amount of any unearned premium previously paid to the **company** will be returned to the first Named **Insured**.

5. If this **policy** is cancelled by the **company**, then the **company** shall return the pro rata portion of any unearned premium, previously paid to the **company**, to the first Named **Insured**.

6. Payment or tender of any unearned premium by the **company** will not be a condition precedent to the effectiveness of cancellation, but the **company** shall make such payment as soon as practicable. The **company's** check or its representative's check, mailed or delivered to the first Named **Insured**, will be sufficient tender of any refund due any **insured**.

7. Any of these provisions that conflict with a law that controls the cancellation of this **policy** is changed by this paragraph to comply with that law.

C. Changes

Notice to any agent or knowledge possessed by any agent or any other person will not effect a waiver or change in any part of this **policy**. This **policy** can be changed only by a written Endorsement that becomes part of this **policy**. The Endorsement must be signed by one of the **company's** authorized representatives.

D. Changes In Followed Policy

If during the Policy Period of this **policy**, the warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions or limitations of the Followed Policy are changed in any manner from those in effect on the inception date of this **policy**, the **insured** shall, as a condition precedent to its rights under this **policy**, give to the **company** at the address stated in Item 8. (b) of the Declarations written notice of the full particulars of such changes as soon as practicable.

This **policy** will follow such changes upon the effective date of the changes in the Followed Policy, but only if:

1. The **company** agrees to follow such changes by written Endorsement that becomes a part of this **policy**;
2. The **insured** agrees to any amendment of the warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions or limitations of this **policy** required by the **company** relating to such changes; and

3. The **insured** pays when due any additional premium required by the **company** relating to such changes.

E. Compliance

The **company** has no duty to provide coverage under this **policy** unless the Named **Insured** and any other involved **insured** have fully complied with all the warranties, terms and conditions of this **policy**.

F. Duties In The Event Of Occurrence, Claim Or Suit

1. The **insured** shall, as a condition precedent to the obligations of the **company** under this **policy**, give written notice as soon as practicable to the **company** at the address stated in Item 8. (a) of the Declarations of any occurrence, claim, suit or proceeding that involves or is likely to involve **underlying excess insurance**. Notice to an underlying insurer shall not constitute notice to the **company**.
2. Without limiting the requirements of paragraph 1. above, the Named **Insured** shall separately and as soon as practicable give written notice to the **company** when a payment is made or reserve established for any occurrence, claim, suit or proceeding that has brought the total of all payments and reserves by the **insured** or any underlying insurers to a level of twenty-five (25%) or more of any of the **underlying limits**.
3. In the event the **underlying limits** are exhausted, no **insured** will, except at that **insured's** own cost, make any payment, assume any obligation, or incur any expense without the **company's** consent.
4. If applicable **underlying excess insurance** imposes any duties, responsibilities, or obligations on any **insured** in the event of "injury," "damage," "offense," "accident," "disease," "act, error or omission," or such similar event, then the duties specified in this condition will also apply in the event of "injury," "damage,"

"offense," "accident," "disease," "act, error or omission," or such similar event.

With respect to the duties specified in this condition, the word or phrase "injury," "damage," "offense," "accident," "disease," "act, error or omission," or such similar event will have the same meaning that it has with respect to such applicable **underlying excess insurance**.

G. First Named **Insured**

The person or organization first named in Item 1. (a) of the Declarations is responsible for payment of all premiums due under this **policy**. The first Named **Insured** will act on behalf of all other **insureds** for the giving and receiving of any notice of cancellation or nonrenewal and the receiving of any return premiums that become payable under this **policy**.

H. Maintenance Of Underlying Insurance And **Underlying Limits**

The **company** has issued this **policy** in reliance upon representations made by the Named **Insured** about **underlying excess insurance**, **underlying primary insurance**, and the **underlying limits**. The Named **Insured** must see to it that:

1. **Underlying excess insurance** and **underlying primary insurance** are and remain valid and in full force and effect;
2. **Underlying excess insurance** and **underlying primary insurance** will not be cancelled, non-renewed, or rescinded without replacement of coverage to which the **company** agrees in writing;
3. The warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of **underlying excess insurance** and **underlying primary insurance** will not materially change unless the **company** agrees in writing otherwise;

4. The warranties, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of renewals or replacements of **underlying excess insurance** will be materially the same as the prior coverage, unless the **company** agrees in writing otherwise;
 5. The **underlying limits** are and remain available, regardless of any bankruptcy, insolvency or other financial impairment of any insurer or any other person or organization;
 6. The **underlying limits** will not be reduced, except for the reduction by payment of **loss** to which this **policy** also would apply but for the existence of such **underlying limits**.
3. The Minimum And Advance Premium is subject to adjustment if:
 - a) The premium of the Followed Policy is adjusted; or
 - b) An Endorsement describing such adjustment is attached to this **policy**.
 4. In no event, however, will the adjusted premium be less than the greater of:
 - a) The Minimum And Advance Premium for this **policy** stated in Item 7. (a) of the Declarations; or
 - b) The Minimum Earned Premium, if any, stated in Item 7. (b) of the Declarations.

K. Representations

The **company** has issued this **policy** based, and in reliance, upon representations made by the **insured** and by the **insured's** representatives to the **company**. Unintentional failure of an employee of the **insured** to disclose a hazard or other material information will not violate this condition, unless an officer (whether or not an employee) of any **insured** or an officer's designee knows about such hazard or other material information.

Failure to comply with this condition will not invalidate this **policy**, but in the case of any such failure, the **company's** obligation or liability will not exceed that which would have applied absent any failure to comply with this condition.

The Named **Insured** must notify the **company** as soon as possible if any **underlying excess insurance** or **underlying primary insurance** is no longer valid or no longer in full force and effect.

- I. Other Insurance

This **policy** will apply in excess of all **other insurance**.
- J. Premium
 1. At the beginning of the Policy Period, stated in Item 2. of the Declarations, of this **policy**, the first Named **Insured** must pay the **company** the Minimum And Advance Premium stated in Item 7. (a) of the Declarations for this **policy**.
 2. The Minimum Earned Premium, if any, stated in Item 7. (b) will be deemed to be 100% earned from the inception date of the Policy Period of this **policy**.

SECTION VI – DEFINITIONS

Company means the company shown in the Declarations that is providing this **policy**.

Insured means a person or an organization qualifying as an insured in Section III – Who Is An Insured of this **policy**.

Loss means damages that the **insured** becomes legally obligated to pay because of injury or damage, after making proper deductions for all recoveries and salvage. If defense or supplementary payments reduce any of the **underlying limits** provided by **underlying excess insurance**, then any defense or supplementary payments made under Section II - Defense And Supplementary Payments of this **policy** will be included within the meaning of **loss** and will reduce the Limits Of Insurance of this **policy**.

Other insurance means valid and collectible insurance providing coverage for **loss** that is covered in whole or in part by this **policy** (or that would be covered in whole or in part by this **policy**, but for the existence of the **underlying limits**). However, **other insurance** does not include **underlying excess insurance**, **underlying primary insurance**, or any policy of insurance specifically purchased to be excess of this **policy** affording coverage that this **policy** also affords.

Policy means the various sections of this contract as well as the Declarations and any Endorsements and Schedules made a part of this contract by reference.

Triggering event means:

1. With respect to any coverage provided by the Followed Policy on an occurrence basis, when:
 - a) The injury or damage occurs; or
 - b) The offense is committed;As determined by the provisions of such coverage under the Followed Policy;
2. With respect to any coverage provided by the Followed Policy on a claims-made basis, when the claim is first made as determined by the provisions of such coverage under the Followed Policy.

Underlying excess insurance means the insurance described in the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance of this **policy** as well as the next applicable renewal or replacement, or any applicable antecedent, of the described insurance.

Underlying primary insurance means any insurance (including the next applicable renewal or replacement, or any applicable antecedent, thereof) that underlies the **underlying excess insurance**. **Underlying primary insurance** does not include insurance that is described in

the Schedule Of Underlying Insurance of this **policy**.

Underlying limits mean the sum of:

1. The remaining amount of **underlying excess insurance**, including the remaining amount of any allocation, deductible, participation, retention, or other self-insurance that is included within the limits of **underlying excess insurance**;
2. The remaining amount of any applicable **underlying primary insurance**, including the remaining amount of any allocation, deductible, participation, retention, or other self-insurance that is included within the limits of any applicable **underlying primary insurance**;
3. Any reinstatement of limits or supplemental or other limits available under the insurance described in items 1. and 2. above;
4. Any amounts that any **insured** must pay because **underlying excess insurance** or **underlying primary insurance**, as represented by the **insured**, is not available for any reason other than reduction or exhaustion of such insurance as specified under paragraph F. of Section III – Limits Of Insurance;
5. Any applicable **other insurance**;
6. The remaining amount of any applicable self-insured retention, deductible or other alternative risk-financing mechanism, which immediately underlies the **underlying excess insurance** and which is not included within the limits of **underlying excess insurance** or **underlying primary insurance**; and
7. The remaining amount of any applicable self-insured retention, deductible or other alternative risk-financing mechanism, which underlies the **underlying primary insurance** and which is not included within the limits of **underlying primary insurance**