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Re: James J. Donelon, *et al.* vs. Jessica K. Altman *et al.*
Suit No. 713794

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SENIOR HEALT INSURANCE COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA, IN
REHABILITATION**

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INTRODUCTION

James J. Donelon, in his official capacity as Commissioner of Insurance for the State of Louisiana (Commissioner) and the Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI), file their prehearing memorandum in support of Count 1 of the petition in this matter requesting entry of a preliminary prohibitory injunction against Defendants Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania (SHIP) and Jessica K. Altman, Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in her capacity as statutory Rehabilitator (Rehabilitator) of SHIP.

Issuance of the injunction is necessary in order to prevent Defendants' violation of Louisiana law and the constitutional and statutory obligation of the Commissioner and LDI to regulate insurance premium rates for Louisiana citizens. The SHIP plan disregards the long-standing state-based system for approval of insurance rates and instead imposes rates on Louisiana policyholders set by the Rehabilitator and approved by the Pennsylvania Insurance Department and the Commonwealth Court, neither of which have any authority over premium rates for SHIP policies issued in Louisiana. The decision of this Court presents a question of first impression nationwide. The Commissioner and LDI are not aware of any plan of rehabilitation, either in Pennsylvania or in any other jurisdiction, that has purported to supersede State rate regulation and set rates payable by policyholders in other jurisdictions without review and approval by the insurance regulators of and in violation of the laws of those jurisdictions.

1. STANDARD FOR ISSUANCE OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

In Louisiana, an “injunction shall be issued in cases where irreparable injury, loss, or damage may otherwise result to the applicant...” La. Code Civ. P. art. 3601(A). A preliminary injunction is an interlocutory procedural device that preserves the status quo between the parties before a trial.¹ It is an extraordinary remedy.² To obtain a preliminary injunction, the mover must show that it will likely prevail on the merits and irreparable injury, loss, or damage will result without the injunction.³ The court should also consider whether the threatened harm to the plaintiff outweighs the potential for harm to the defendant and whether the preliminary injunction will disserve the public interest.⁴

However, absence of irreparable injury need not be shown when the act sought to be enjoined is unlawful as in this case.⁵ The Rehabilitator and the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania has no authority to set premium rates for SHIP policyholders in Louisiana in disregard of Louisiana law. The Commissioner and LDI have the exclusive authority to regulate the insurance industry in Louisiana. Plaintiffs are entitled to a preliminary injunction because they are likely to prevail on the merits and Defendants cannot prove any demonstrable harm from the issuance of a narrowly tailored injunction limited to policies issued only in Louisiana.

¹ *Stevens v. St. Tammany Par. Gov’t*, 16-0197, p. 4 (La. App. 1 Cir. 1/18/17), 212 So. 3d 562, 565.

² *Concerned Citizens for Proper Planning, LLC v. Par. of Tangipahoa*, 04-0270, p. 5 (La. App. 1 Cir. 3/24/05), 906 So. 2d 660, 664.

³ *See Ard v. GrrlSpot, LLC*, 19-0312, p. 14 (La. App. 4 Cir. 10/23/19), 2019 WL 5432098, at *6; *Stevens, supra*, 212 So. 3d at 565.

⁴ *Piazza’s Seafood World, LLC v. Odom*, 07-2191, p. 10 (La. App. 1 Cir. 12/23/08), 6 So. 3d 820, 826.

⁵ *Dale v. La. Sec’y of State*, 07-2020, p. 4 (La. App. 1 Cir. 10/11/07), 971 So. 2d 1136, 1141; *Concerned Citizens, supra*, 906 So. 2d at 664; *Piazza’s, supra*, 6 So. 3d at 826. Even if the absence of irreparable injury was a requirement the Defendants will not suffer any injury due to the limited scope of the injunction sought and the inconsequential monetary effect (if any) on the rehabilitation proceeding.

2. SHIP'S INSOLVENCY AND REHABILITATION PROCEEDING

SHIP was an operating company that issued long-term care (LTC) policies⁶ in forty-six states and additional jurisdictions. As of September 30, 2021 SHIP reported that it had approximately 35,000 policies in force.⁷

According to SHIP's 2018 Annual Statement, SHIP is licensed in every state except Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont, and is also licensed in the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Prior to the filing of the rehabilitation, SHIP's business consisted exclusively of closed blocks of LTC policies including more than 70 distinct policy forms with many state variations for each form. SHIP's policy forms include home health care, nursing home, and comprehensive plans. About 275 SHIP policies are in force in Louisiana.⁸ Upon information and belief, the average age of SHIP's Louisiana policyholders is over 86 years. Total premiums paid by SHIP's Louisiana policyholders amounts to about one-half of one percent of SHIP's total premium revenue.

On January 29, 2020, upon the application⁹ of the Rehabilitator, the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, in suit number 1 SHP 2020 (the Rehabilitation Proceeding), entered an Order¹⁰ of Rehabilitation placing SHIP into rehabilitation in accordance with the provisions of Pennsylvania law. The Order of Rehabilitation appointed

⁶ LTC insurance is designed to cover long-term services and support for individuals, including personal and custodial care in a variety of settings such as a person's home, community organization, or other facility. LTC policies reimburse policyholders a daily amount (up to a pre-selected limit) for services to assist them with activities of daily living such as bathing, dressing, or eating. The policyholder can select a menu or range of care options and benefits. The cost of an LTC policy is based on a number of factors, including the insured's age at time of issuance, the maximum amount that a policy will pay per day, the maximum number of days (or years) that a policy will pay, the maximum amount per day times the number of days that determines the lifetime maximum amount that the policy will pay, and any optional benefits that may be selected, such as benefits that increase with inflation and non-forfeiture options.

⁷ Plan, p. 81. SHIP had about 45,000 policies in force as of the end of 2019. The reduction in policies is due to death of the policyholder, non-payment of premium, or other forfeiture cause.

⁸ The policies that are within the jurisdiction of and subject to any relief granted by this Court are the "state of issue policies," meaning all policies that were issued while the policyholder resided in Louisiana, even if the policyholder has moved out of state.

⁹ Petition Exhibit 3.

¹⁰ Petition Exhibit 4.

the Rehabilitator and her successors in office as statutory rehabilitator of SHIP pursuant to the provisions of 40 P.S. § 221.14, *et seq.* and required the Rehabilitator to prepare a plan of rehabilitation. SHIP's current deficit (liabilities in excess of assets, or "funding gap") exceeds \$1.2 billion dollars according to testimony in the Rehabilitation Proceeding, and the average SHIP policyholder age is 86 and the average claimant is 89 years old.

On April 22, 2020 the Rehabilitator filed her Application for Approval of the Plan of Rehabilitation for SHIP and contemporaneously filed a Rehabilitation Plan (Plan). The Plan¹¹ was approved by a Memorandum Opinion and Order of the Commonwealth Court on August 24, 2021 that was amended on November 4, 2021 (Plan Approval Order).¹² The Plan Approval Order is not a final order and has been appealed to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court by three state insurance regulators (Maine, Massachusetts, and Washington, the State Insurance Regulators or SIR) which appeared in the Rehabilitation Proceeding and objected to the Plan. The Commissioner and LDI are one of about 20 State insurance regulators that have filed pleadings as *amici curiae* before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court to express their opposition to the Plan and support for the appeal by the SIR.

3. THIS COURT HAS JURISDICTION OVER THIS MATTER

In the December 6, 2021 scheduling conference with this Court, counsel for Defendants made a statement that this Court has no jurisdiction over this matter or the Defendants. That statement is wrong.¹³

¹¹ Petition Exhibit 5.

¹² Petition Exhibit 6. Neither the Commissioner or LDI, nor SHIP's policyholders, are parties to the Rehabilitation Proceeding and policyholders were not represented by class representatives or counsel in that proceeding.

¹³ In an effort to avoid jurisdiction in this Court and evade Louisiana law, Defendants might remove this case to the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana prior to the scheduled hearing in this matter. However, in a prior case between the parties in the Middle District (and in a similar suit in Federal Court in South Carolina brought by the South Carolina Department of Insurance) Defendants alleged in briefs that there was no jurisdiction in Federal Court. As such, if this case is removed it will be remanded to this Court.

(a) **The Rehabilitator's Limited Powers Under Pennsylvania Law**

Each jurisdiction has enacted statutes for the rehabilitation and liquidation of insurance companies.¹⁴ Under Pennsylvania law, as in all states, the power of the rehabilitator is prescribed and limited by law. The authority of a rehabilitator is circumscribed and limited to control of the assets and business of the insurer and does not extend to regulatory over the insurer's business. "The rehabilitator may take such action as he deems necessary or expedient to correct the condition or conditions which constituted the grounds for the order of the court to rehabilitate the insurer. He shall have all the powers of the directors, officers and managers, whose authority shall be suspended, except as they are redelegated by the rehabilitator. He shall have full power to direct and manage, to hire and discharge employees subject to any contract rights they may have, and to deal with the property and business of the insurer."¹⁵ Nothing in this language provides authority beyond what the insurer and its officers and managers could have done.

Under Pennsylvania law, an insurance commissioner acting as a rehabilitator "can only exercise those powers which have been conferred upon it by the Legislature in clear and unmistakable language." *Aetna Cas. and Sur. Co. v. Com., Ins. Dept.*, 638 A.2d 194 (Pa. 1994) (quoting *Commonwealth, Human Relations Commission v. Transit Casualty Insurance Company*, 478 Pa. 430, 438, 387 A.2d 58, 62 (1978)). See also *Koken v. Legion Ins. Co.*, 831 A.2d 1196 (Pa. Commw. 2003), *aff'd sub nom. Koken v. Villanova Ins. Co.*, 878 A.2d 51 (Pa. 2005). The statute provides that "during the course of a rehabilitation, the commissioner, not the board, has responsibility for the management of the insurer's business." *Koken*, 831 A.2d at 1227-1228.

¹⁴ "Most states have enacted statutes that govern the conservation, rehabilitation and liquidation of insurance companies and that are patterned after one of three models acts that have been adopted by the NAIC over the years: the Uniform Insurers Liquidation Act ...; the Insurers Rehabilitation and Liquidation Model Act...; and the Insurer Receivership Model Act...." <https://content.naic.org/sites/default/files/publication-rec-bu-receivers-handbook-insolvencies.pdf>

¹⁵ 40 P.S. § 221.16(b), emphasis added. Pennsylvania's law for insurance company rehabilitation is attached as Exhibit 12. See also the "Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Primer" distributed by the Rehabilitator attached as Exhibit 13. (Exhibits to this memorandum are sequentially numbered beginning with 12 to follow petition Exhibits 1-11.)

Pennsylvania law authorizes the Rehabilitator to manage SHIP. It does not provide, explicitly or implicitly, authority to supplant otherwise applicable regulatory authority over the business of the insurer in rehabilitation, particular the regulatory authority of other jurisdictions. That a rehabilitator may “prepare a plan for the reorganization, consolidation, conversion, reinsurance, merger or other transformation of the insurer,” 40 P.S. § 221.16(d), does not authorize the Rehabilitator to proceed without required regulatory approvals. The purpose of rehabilitation is “to rehabilitate the business of an insurer,” 40 P.S. § 221.15(b), not – as the Rehabilitator and Commonwealth Court would have it – to displace the regulation by sister jurisdictions of the insurer in a parochial, local manner.¹⁶ An insurer in rehabilitation is subject to rate regulation like any other insurer.

Nowhere in the text of Pennsylvania’s law (or in any model law or NAIC publications) is there “clear and unmistakable language” that allows a rehabilitator in Pennsylvania or elsewhere to displace, disregard, and supplant the regulatory rate approval authority of an insurance regulator in another jurisdiction.¹⁷ (See also the discussion in Section 4, below.)

(b) Louisiana’s Insurance Rehabilitation Law

Louisiana enacted La. Rev. Stat. 22:2038-2044, the Uniform Insurers Liquidation Law, in 2008. The statutes apply to both rehabilitation and liquidation proceedings. Under Louisiana law, “because the rehabilitator, in effect, steps into the shoes of the insurer, he is bound by the same constraints as is the insurer in the normal course of business” and

¹⁶ *Cf. Hanson v. Denckla*, 357 U.S. 235, 246 (1958) (“Founded on physical power...the *in rem* jurisdiction of a state court is limited by the extent of its power and by the coordinate authority of sister States.”); *In re Rehabilitation of National Heritage Life Ins. Co.*, 656 A.2d 252, 259-261 (Del. Ch. 1994) (*in rem* nature of domiciliary proceeding does not support turnover orders directed to persons in other States).

¹⁷ Indeed, the NAIC states that a receiver in a conservation or rehabilitation proceeding should consider “rate increases needed on business and insurer’s ability to secure those increases from regulatory authorities.” National Association of Insurance Commissioners, *Receiver’s Handbook for Insurance Company Insolvencies* at 12 (2021), emphasis added, <https://content.naic.org/sites/default/files/publication-rec-bu-receivers-handbook-insolvencies.pdf>

“[o]ne of the constraints placed upon him is that he must follow the provisions [of law].”¹⁸

This language is similar in scope to Pennsylvania law.

Louisiana law considers Pennsylvania a “reciprocal state” under the provisions of La. Rev. Stat. 2038(7), defined as “any state other than this state in which in substance and effect the provisions of this law are in force...” La. Rev. Stat. 22:2039(B) limits the powers of the Pennsylvania Rehabilitator as the “domiciliary receiver” of SHIP:

The domiciliary receiver for the purpose of liquidating an insurer domiciled in a reciprocal state, shall be vested by operation of law with the title to all of the property, contracts, and rights of action, and all of the books and records of the insurer located in this state, and he shall have the immediate right to recover balances due from local agents and to obtain possession of any books and records of the insurer found in this state. He shall also be entitled to recover the other assets of the insurer located in this state except that upon the appointment of an ancillary receiver in this state, the ancillary receiver shall during the ancillary receivership proceedings have the sole right to recover such other assets.

Nothing in Louisiana law displaces the authority of the Commissioner and LDI over for rate regulation.

In *All Star Advertising Agency, Inc. v. Reliance Insurance Company*, 2004-C-1544 (La. 4/12/05), 898 So. 2d 369, the Supreme Court held that Pennsylvania was a reciprocal state under Louisiana law. As such, the Court held that an order of liquidation in Pennsylvania divested Louisiana courts from jurisdiction as to the specific dispute in that case over an asset of the insurer. In *All Star*, Reliance was placed in liquidation in Pennsylvania and plaintiff All Star sought to enjoin Reliance (in liquidation) from drawing on a letter of credit in favor of Reliance to secure All Star’s insurance contract allowing retroactive premium adjustments.

The Supreme Court discussed the purposes for the adoption by Louisiana (and other states) of the Uniform Insurance Liquidation Act (UILA) (the basis of Louisiana’s insurance law on insurer liquidations at that time):

The Prefatory Note to the UILA identifies six specific features of insurer delinquency proceedings that were then causing the “greatest embarrassment.” Prefatory Note, Uniform Insurers Liquidation Act, 13 U.L.A. 322 (1986) (superseded). If each state enacted the uniform law, the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws reasoned, these past embarrassments could be remedied by the following: (1) provision that the insurance commissioner or an equivalent official shall serve as receiver; (2) authority for domiciliary receivers to proceed in non-domiciliary states so as to prevent dissipation of

¹⁸ *Dardar v. Insurance Guaranty Association*, 88-CA-1881 (La. App. 1 Cir. 1/24/90), 556 So.2d 272.

assets therein; (3) vesting of title to assets in the domiciliary receiver; (4) provision for non-domiciliary creditors to have the option to proceed with claims before local ancillary receivers; (5) uniform application of the laws of the domiciliary state to the allowance of preferences among claims; and (6) prevention of preferences for diligent non-domiciliary creditors with advance information.¹⁹

The issue in *All Star* was control of a specific asset belonging to Reliance that was governed by a specific contract, a matter clearly within the control of the liquidator.²⁰

To the contrary, in this matter, Louisiana is not attempting control and recover a specific asset, or *res*, of SHIP in Louisiana. The legal issue matter is whether the Defendants must comply with Louisiana law requiring prior regulatory approval of premium rates and policy forms. No provision of Louisiana law allows the Commissioner, as a rehabilitator, the power to set premium rates in another state²¹ and, equally true, no provision of Louisiana law delegates to a “reciprocal state” the authority and jurisdiction of the Commissioner and LDI of matters expressly reserved to Louisiana’s insurance regulator by the Louisiana legislature. None of the reasons for the adoption of uniform laws and reciprocity in delinquency proceedings provide for extraterritorial rate-setting by domiciliary states.

(c) Louisiana Statutory Basis for This Court’s Jurisdiction

a. Statutory Authority

Numerous provisions of Louisiana law provide ample basis for jurisdiction in this Court over Defendants Rehabilitator and SHIP.

La. Rev. Stat. 22:868 provides that:

No insurance contract delivered or issued for delivery in this state and covering subjects located, resident, or to be performed in this state, or any group health and accident policy insuring a resident of this state regardless of where made or delivered, shall contain any condition, stipulation, or agreement either:

(1) Requiring it to be construed according to the laws of any other state or country except as necessary to meet the requirements of the motor vehicle financial responsibility laws of such other state or country.

¹⁹ *All Star* at p. 375.

²⁰ In a matter over a reinsurance claim of a Pennsylvania insurer, the result was the same in *Steamship Mut. Underwriting Ass'n (Bermuda), Ltd. v. Sun Life Assur. Co. of Canada*, 2006-1082 (La. App. 1 Cir. 6/8/07), 965 So. 2d 883, 884, writ denied, 2007-1390 (La. 10/12/07), 965 So. 2d 400. Again, the facts are different with SHIP.

²¹ La. Rev. Stat. 22:2009, “Duties of Commissioner of Insurance as Rehabilitator.”

(2) Depriving the courts of this state of the jurisdiction or venue of action against the insurer.

In *Bonura v. United Bankers Life Ins. Co.*, 552 So. 2d 1248, 1252 (La. Ct. App. 1989), writ denied, 558 So. 2d 1125 (La. 1990), the First Circuit held:

The jurisprudence construing and applying this statute is both consistent and too voluminous to require citation. Together, the statute and cases announce the unequivocal policy of this state that no foreign insurer may enjoy the benefits of a source of business in this state without being prepared to answer any claims based on that business by a Louisiana resident in the Louisiana courts. This policy comports with due process requirements and the insurer suffers no undue hardship thereby. We find no sufficient reason to abrogate that policy here.²²

Further, La. Rev. Stat. 22:971.1(B)(1) provides that notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any entity issuing or providing coverage in Louisiana for health care services (such as an LTC insurance policy for long term care) shall be presumed to be subject to the jurisdiction of the Commissioner and thus subject to the jurisdiction of this Court. Under the provisions of 40 P.S. § 221.14 *et seq.*, the Rehabilitator stands in the shoes of SHIP's officers and directors in the conduct of SHIP's affairs while the rehabilitation is pending, and therefore pursuant to Louisiana law the Rehabilitator is subject and amenable to this Court's jurisdiction just as SHIP would have been prior to its rehabilitation. SHIP does business in Louisiana and is required to comply with all Louisiana laws and regulations regarding insurance.²³ Further, in accordance with La. Rev. Stat. 22:332 and 335, SHIP appointed a registered agent in Louisiana as required by law "who may be served any notice, process, or pleading [for SHIP]."²⁴

b. Long-Arm Analysis

The Louisiana long-arm statute, La. Rev. Stat. 13:3201 controls when a Louisiana court may assert personal jurisdiction over a nonresident defendant. Louisiana's long-arm statute extends personal jurisdiction to the fullest limits allowed by constitutional due process. Under the statute, "a court of this state may exercise personal jurisdiction over

²² Emphasis added. When *Bonura* was decided, the statute was numbered La. Rev. Stat. 22:629.

²³ See Exhibit 1 to Plaintiffs' petition (SHIP's Certificate of Authority to transact business in Louisiana, issued by LDI) and Exhibit 2 (Consent Agreement between LDI and SHIP dated May 11, 2021).

²⁴ See Exhibit 14.

a nonresident on any basis consistent with the constitution of this state and of the Constitution of the United States.” La. Rev. Stat. 13:3201(B). The Defendants are subject to personal jurisdiction in Louisiana under the “specific jurisdiction” prong.

Personal jurisdiction may be asserted as long as due process is not offended...Due process requires the nonresident defendant to have certain “minimum contacts” with the forum state, such that maintaining a suit against the defendant does not offend traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice. *International Shoe Co. v. State of Washington, Office of Unemployment Compensation and Placement*, 326 U.S. 310, 316, 66 S.Ct. 154, 158, 90 L.Ed. 95 (1945). The exercise of finding minimum contacts has evolved into the first of a two-part test...The second part of the due process test involves consideration of the minimum contacts in light of other fairness factors to determine whether it would be reasonable to require the nonresident defendant to defend the lawsuit in the forum state...

The minimum contacts prong of the due process test is satisfied by a single act or actions where the defendant “purposefully avails itself of the privilege of conducting activities within the forum state, thus invoking the benefits and protections of its laws.” *Broussard v. Diamond Aircraft Industries, Inc.*, 2010-1611 (La. App. 1st Cir. 5/3/11), 65 So.3d 187, 190 (quoting *A & L Energy, Inc. v. Pegasus Group*, 2000-3255 (La. 6/29/01), 791 So.2d 1266, 1271, cert. denied, 534 U.S. 1022, 122 S.Ct. 550, 151 L.Ed.2d 426 (2001))...The purposeful availment factor must be such that the nonresident defendant should “reasonably anticipate” being haled into court in the forum state. The rationale of the purposeful availment requirement is to ensure that the nonresident defendant will not be brought into a jurisdiction solely as a result of a “random, fortuitous, or attenuated contact, or by the unilateral activity of another party or a third person.” [Emphasis added in quote from cited case.]

There is a well-established distinction between two types of personal jurisdiction - “general” and “specific.”...Specific jurisdiction is when the lawsuit arises out of or is related to the nonresident defendant's contacts with the forum state and the defendant purposefully avails itself of the privilege of conducting activities in the forum state.²⁵

The “minimum contacts” requirement ensures that the defendant will not be haled into a jurisdiction solely as a result of a random, fortuitous, or attenuated contact, or by the unilateral activity of another party or a third person.²⁶

The Defendants activities in Louisiana fulfill the requirements of due process for specific personal jurisdiction. Factors that may be considered with respect to SHIP's contacts include whether SHIP is admitted as an insurer in the State, is licensed to do business in the State, solicits insurance business in the State, issues policies of insurance to residents of the State, collects or receives premiums from anyone in the State, has assets or property in the State, pays taxes in the State, advertises or solicits business in the State,

²⁵ *Robinson v. Jeopardy Prods., Inc.*, 2019-1095 (La. App. 1 Cir. 10/21/20), 315 So. 3d 273, 277-78, writ denied, 2020-01343 (La. 1/20/21), 308 So. 3d 1166.

²⁶ *Bannister v. SFB Companies, Inc.*, 2019-0079 (La. App. 1 Cir. 11/15/19), 290 So. 3d 1134, 1139, *reh'g denied* (Jan. 29, 2020), *writ denied sub nom. Bannister v. SFB Companies, Inc. of Delaware*, 2020-00263 (La. 5/1/20), 295 So. 3d 943.

or has an office, agents, or employees in the State.²⁷ All of the foregoing are true for the Defendants.²⁸

The Rehabilitator stands in the shoes of SHIP's former managers, and controls SHIP and is not a party in this case in her capacity insurance commissioner. When acting as Rehabilitator, the Commissioner possesses a legal status that is separate and distinct from her role as Commissioner. *See Di Loreto v. Costigan*, 600 F. Supp. 2d at 684. The Rehabilitator is not a state officer but one who acts on behalf of a private entity. *See id.* An insurance commissioner is not acting on behalf of the state's interest when pursuing a lawsuit in the role as liquidator. *In re Reliance Grp. Holdings, Inc.*, 273 B.R. 374, 387 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 2002); *see also Di Loreto, supra.*; *Kelly v. Commw. Mut. Ins. Co.*, 299 A.2d 604, 606 (Pa. 1973); *Koken v. Cologne Reinsurance (Barbados), Ltd.*, 34 F. Supp. 2d 240, 247 (M.D. Pa. 1999).

The Louisiana First Circuit Court of Appeal found that a bank, acting as trustee of an insurance trust in Louisiana, was subject to personal jurisdiction. In *Green v. Group Programs, Inc.*, 622 So. 2d 275, 276 (La. App. 1 Cir. 1993) the court found that a bank, as a trustee, had sufficient minimum contacts to satisfy due process. Although the bank had no offices or employees and conducted no other business in Louisiana, the bank as trustee knew that relevant business was occurring in the state and that it would receive a trustee's

²⁷ *Aetna Cas. & Sur. Co. v. Cont'l W. Ins. Co.*, 97-206, p. 6 (La. App. 3 Cir. 12/10/97), 704 So. 2d 900, 903, *writ denied*, 98-0077 (La. 3/13/98), 712 So. 2d 884.

²⁸ In *Brown v. Slenker*, 220 F.3d 411, 418 (5th Cir. 2000), the Fifth (Federal) Circuit held: "In light of this evidence, we agree with the district court's decision that the Commissioner had made a *prima facie* showing that the Defendants had "minimum contacts" with Louisiana. First, the Commissioner adequately showed that his causes of action related to the Defendants' contacts with Louisiana, such that the Commissioner had only to make a *prima facie* showing of specific, as opposed to general, jurisdiction...[t]he evidence made a *prima facie* showing that the Defendants availed themselves of the benefits of the liquidation proceeding on a reasonably continuous basis. *See Ruston Gas*, 9 F.3d at 419 ("The 'minimum contacts' prong, for specific jurisdiction purposes is satisfied by actions, or even just a single act, by which the non-resident defendant 'purposely avails itself of the privilege of conducting activities within the forum state, thus invoking the benefits and protections of its laws.' ") (citing *Burger King Corp. v. Rudzewicz*, 471 U.S. 462, 475, 105 S.Ct. 2174, 85 L.Ed.2d 528 (1985)). Considering another formulation of the minimum contacts test, resolving all factual inferences in the Commissioner's favor, we agree that the Defendants' contacts with Louisiana were sufficient, and sufficiently legal in nature, that they "should [have] reasonably anticipated being haled into court" there. *See id.* (citing *World-Wide Volkswagen Corp. v. Woodson*, 444 U.S. 286, 297, 100 S.Ct. 559, 62 L.Ed.2d 490 (1980))."

fee as a result of business activities in the state. See also *Washington v. Baker Petrolite Corp.*, No. 09-07926, 2010 WL 3430494, at *1 (E.D. La. Aug. 24, 2010), which a company acting as a trustee was subject to personal jurisdiction. Even though the company did not have offices or directly conduct business in the state, it was reasonable for the company as trustee to anticipate a lawsuit may be filed here. The company as trustee had “fair warning” of potential litigation and was aware of a relationship with Louisiana. *Id.* at 2. SHIP and the Rehabilitator had the same knowledge and “fair warning.”

Considering the foregoing, the due process standards of minimum contacts are more than satisfied to establish jurisdiction over the Defendants. There is no question that SHIP is amenable to jurisdiction in Louisiana, as is the Rehabilitator who has succeeded to the role of SHIP’s directors and officers and is purposely availing herself of activities in Louisiana.²⁹

4. THE STATE-BASED REGULATORY STRUCTURE OF THE BUSINESS OF INSURANCE - REGULATION OF PREMIUM RATES IS A MATTER COMMITTED TO THE STATES BY FEDERAL LAW

Rate regulation is a matter for the individual States. “A state may constitutionally regulate or require approval of rates and charges of insurance companies doing business within its borders.” S. Plitt, D. Maldonado, J. Rogers, 1 *Couch on Insurance* 3d § 2:31 at 2-129 (2019). See *German Alliance Ins. Co. v. Lewis*, 233 U.S. 389 (1914); *Insurance Dept. v. City of Philadelphia*, 196 Pa. Super. 221, 173 A.2d 811, 813 (1961) (“It has long been settled that the insurance business is charged with a public interest, and that its regulation is constitutional.”). “The intended purpose of the regulation of rates is to promote the general welfare by preventing rates which are excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory.” 1 *Couch on Insurance* 3d § 2:31 at 2-134.

The decision of a state insurance regulator regarding rates are subject to review by the courts of their State in accordance with applicable statutory and constitutional standards. See, e.g., *Anthem Health Plan of Maine, Inc. v. Superintendent of Ins.*, 40 A.3d

²⁹ A Louisiana court may exercise personal jurisdiction over an insurer if (1) the insurer is a Louisiana corporation which has appointed an agent for service of process, or (2) the insurer is authorized to do business in Louisiana, or (3) the insurer has engaged in a business activity that makes it subject to the state's long-arm jurisdiction. § 2:3. Jurisdiction over the person, 1 La. Civ. L. Treatise, Civil Procedure § 2:3 (2d ed.).

380 (Me. 2012); *Genworth Life Ins. Co. v. Comm’r of Ins.*, 126 N.E.3d 1019, 1023 (Mass. App. Ct. 2019). The Plan’s increase of rates without approval from the Commissioner and LDI removes and denies them their statutory roles and violates Louisiana law and is beyond the authority of the Rehabilitator under Pennsylvania or any other law.

In 1945, Congress enacted the McCarran-Ferguson Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1011 and stated the following as a declaration of policy: “Congress hereby declares that the continued regulation and taxation by the several States of the business of insurance is in the public interest, and that silence on the part of the Congress shall not be construed to impose any barrier to the regulation or taxation of such business by the several States.” Section 1012(a) of the McCarran-Ferguson Act provides that “[t]he business of insurance, and every person engaged therein, shall be subject to the laws of the several States which relate to the regulation or taxation of such business.” The empowerment of each state with respect to the business of insurance was reinforced by Congress in 1999 with the enactment of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, 15 U.S.C. § 6701 *et seq.* In that Act, Congress stated that the McCarran-Ferguson Act “remains the law of the United States” and that “the insurance activities of any person...shall be functionally regulated by the States.”

“The primary state insurance regulatory functions remain as they have been since the enactment of [the] McCarran-Ferguson [Act]. This allows...states to perform solvency oversight of the U.S. insurance industry and to regulate insurer behavior in the marketplace...State legislatures are the public policymakers that establish . . . broad policy for the regulation of insurance by enacting legislation providing the regulatory framework under which insurance regulators operate. They establish laws which grant regulatory authority to regulators and oversee state insurance departments and approve regulatory budgets...State insurance regulatory systems are accessible and accountable to the public and sensitive to local social and economic conditions. State regulation has proven that it effectively protects consumers and ensures that promises made by insurers are kept. Insurance regulation is structured around several key functions, including insurer licensing, producer licensing, product regulation (review and approval of rates (including benefits) and forms), market conduct, financial regulation and consumer services....State regulators

protect consumers by ensuring that insurance policy provisions comply with state law, are reasonable and fair, and do not contain major gaps in coverage that might be misunderstood by consumers and leave them unprotected. The nature of the regulatory reviews of rates, rating rules and policy forms varies somewhat among the states depending on their laws and regulations.”³⁰

There is no Federal law or regulation that governs the rehabilitation of insurance companies or allows the imposition of the SHIP Plan (at least to the extent that it imposes policy premiums and benefit changes) on Louisiana policyholders absent approval by the Commissioner and LDI in accordance the laws and regulations of the State of Louisiana. To the contrary, the policy of the United States and every state has consistently resisted nationalization of insurance rate making as Defendants are attempting to do in this case for the first time.

5. FULL FAITH AND CREDIT

(a) The Defendants are Required to Give Full Faith and Credit to Louisiana Law

The Rehabilitator’s purposeful disregard of Louisiana law governing the authority of the Commissioner and LDI for approving premium rates violates the mandate of the Full Faith and Credit Clause of the United States Constitution. “Full Faith and Credit shall be given in each State to the public Acts, Records, and judicial Proceedings of every other State.” U.S. Const., Art. IV, § 1. The purpose of the full faith and credit command “was to alter the status of the several states as independent foreign sovereignties, each free to ignore obligations created under the laws or by the judicial proceedings of the others.” *Baker v. General Motors Corp.*, 522 U.S. 222, 232 (1998) (quoting *Milwaukee County v. M.E. White Co.*, 296 U.S. 268, 277 (1935)). “A statute is a ‘public Act’ within the meaning

³⁰ Petition Exhibit 7, *State Insurance Regulation*, National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), Center for Insurance Policy and Research (CIPR) (2011). Regulation of the insolvencies of insurance companies is also indirectly delegated to the states (and thus not nationalized) by virtue of the inability of insurance companies to seek bankruptcy relief under the United States Bankruptcy Code. See 11 U.S.C. 109(b) and (d) (providing that a “domestic insurance company” may not be a debtor under Chapter 7 or 11 of the Bankruptcy Code).

of the Full Faith and Credit Clause.” *Franchise Tax Bd. Of Cal. v. Hyatt*, 136 S.Ct. 1277, 1281 (2016).

The Rehabilitator’s view that Pennsylvania law authorizes control over policy rates in Louisiana and other States is erroneous, but even if correct it would violate the Constitution. Insurance rates are a matter of particularly local concern, law, and regulation, as shown above. One State cannot dictate to another State what rates are to be applied to policies issued in the second State. It has long been established that an insurer domiciled in one State writing insurance in another is subject to the second State’s laws concerning that business. *American Fire Ins. Co. v. King Lumber & Mfg. Co.*, 250 U.S. 2, 10 (1919) (Pennsylvania insurer writing insurance in Florida had to do so “in accordance with the laws of Florida”). *See Pink v. A.A.A. Highway Exp., Inc.*, 314 U.S. 201, 209 (1941); *Clark v. Williard*, 294 U.S. 211, 213 (1935).³¹ This principle applies to state review and approval of rates. Pennsylvania cannot unilaterally substitute its own laws for the laws governing relations between a corporation doing business in another State and the residents of that State. *See Phillips Petroleum Co. v. Shutts*, 472 U.S. 797, 822 (1985) (law of Kansas, the forum State in a nationwide class action, does not govern rights of residents in other States: Kansas “may not abrogate the rights of parties beyond its borders having no relation to anything done or to be done within them.”) (quoting *Home Ins. Co. v. Dick*, 281 U.S. 397, 342 (1930)).

Further, the Rehabilitator cannot use the Full Faith and Credit Clause as a weapon to “require a State to substitute for its own statute, applicable to persons and events within it, the statute of another State reflecting a conflicting and opposed policy.” *Hyatt*, 136 S.Ct. at 1281 (quoting *Carroll v. Lanza*, 349 U.S. 408, 412 (1955)). *See Pacific Empls. Ins. Co.*

³¹ The relations between the States concerning assets and claims in insurer liquidations have since been addressed through the adoption by the States of model acts promulgated by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. *See* III National Association of Insurance Commissioners, *Model Laws, Regulations, and Guidelines*, <https://content.naic.org/model-laws> at ST-555-3 (2020) (Chart of States adopting model acts). Such statutes allocate responsibilities for assets and claims through common statutory provisions for domiciliary and ancillary receiverships. *See, e.g.*, 40 P.S. §§ 221.53-221.62. Notably, none of the statutes say nothing about rates, which continue to be governed by other law.

v. Industrial Acc. Comm., 306 U.S. 493, 503-505 (1939); *Ferrelli v. Com.*, 783 A.2d 891, 894 (Pa. Commw. Ct. 2001) (Full Faith and Credit Clause “does not require a state to subordinate public policy within its borders to the laws of another state”). “[T]he Full Faith and Credit Clause does not require a State to apply another State’s law in violation of its own legitimate public policy.” *Nevada v. Hall*, 440 U.S. 410, 421, 99 S.Ct. 1182, 1188, 1189 59 L.Ed.2d 416 (1979). States are precluded from “adopt[ing] any policy of hostility to the public Acts” of other states. *Hyatt*, 139 S. Ct. 1485, 1497. This is particularly the case where the Plan reflects hostility to the regulatory actions of Louisiana, which the Rehabilitator contends had resulted in an “inequitable” and “discriminatory” rate structure³² despite Louisiana’s approval of 96% of SHIP’s requested premium increases. *Cf. Hyatt*, 136 S.Ct. at 1281. The Plan’s attempt to supersede Louisiana’s regulation of rates is unconstitutional.

(b) The Plan Approval Order is Not Entitled to Full Faith and Credit by This Court

With respect to judgments and orders, full faith and credit only applies to final judgments with adjudicatory authority over the subject matter and persons governed by the judgment. *V.L. v. E.L. et al.*, 577 U.S. 404, 407 (2016), quoting *Baker v. General Motors Corp.*, 522 U.S. 222, 233 (1998). The Plan Approval Order is not a final order, nor do the Defendants have “adjudicatory authority” under Pennsylvania law, Louisiana law, or Federal law over premium rates charged to Louisiana policyholders. A preliminary injunction prohibiting enforcement in Louisiana is properly issued.

6. REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER AND LDI

The Commissioner is empowered to exercise such function, possess such powers, and perform duties authorized by law. La. Const. Art. IV Sec. 11. Insurance is deemed an industry affected with the public interest and the purpose of the Louisiana laws on insurance is to regulate that industry in all its phases. La. Rev.Stat. 22:2A(1). The Commissioner is charged with the duty to administer the provisions of the Louisiana Insurance Code and make reasonable rules and regulations not inconsistent with law. La.

³² See Plan at pp. 34, 88, 96

Rev. Stat. 22:2E. Regulations have been adopted to supplement provisions of the Louisiana Insurance Code and have the force of law. Louisiana Administrative Code (LAC) Title 37. Under Louisiana law, “no person shall be authorized to transact or shall transact a business of insurance in this state without complying with the provisions” of the Louisiana Insurance Code. La. Rev. Stat. 22:12.

Notwithstanding being in rehabilitation, the Rehabilitator and SHIP are subject to the Louisiana Insurance Code and the insurance regulations enacted thereunder. Louisiana has comprehensive statutes and regulations governing LTC policies. La. Rev. Stat. 22:1181–1191, and LAC 37:46.19.1901 *et seq.* Prior to implementing any rate increases, an LTC insurer such as SHIP must comply with all provisions of Louisiana law, including but not limited to Louisiana regulations on premium rate schedule increases set forth in LAC 37:46.19.1937 and 1939, among other provisions (i.e., “prior approval authority”). Most states have similar laws for their jurisdictions.

Further, “[e]very health insurance issuer shall file with the department [of insurance] every proposed rate to be used in connection with all of its particular products ... All proposed rate filings may be reviewed for compliance with R.S. 22:1095 and with other provisions of law governing rates in the individual market and the small group market. A review of rates made pursuant to this Subpart shall not constitute a determination under the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 *et seq.*, nor shall such a review of rates be subject to other administrative or judicial relief.” La. Rev. Stat. 22:1092(A) and (D). Forms for all insurance policies issued in Louisiana including LTC policies are required to be approved by the Commissioner. LAC 37:46.19.1913.

Prior to filing the Rehabilitation Proceeding, SHIP submitted to the Commissioner and LDI all applications for rate increases, policy forms, and policy modifications for Louisiana policyholders. SHIP complied with the decisions of the Commissioner and LDI on all such applications. The right of state insurance regulators to enforce prior approval authority is well-understood and is being purposely and improperly rejected by Defendants:

Officials in states with prior approval authority may review a carrier’s rate filing using the state’s standards governing health insurance premium rates. In some cases, the state officials may also consider input from the public on the proposed rate, which can be obtained, among other ways, through public hearings or public comment periods. If a

proposed rate does not meet a state's standards, officials in states with prior approval authority can, among other things, deny the proposed rate or request that the carrier submit a new rate filing that addresses the issues that the state identified during its review. If a proposed rate meets a state's standards, the officials may approve the rate filing. (U.S. Government Accountability Office, <https://www.gao.gov/assets/gao-11-701.pdf>, emphasis added.)

7. THE PLAN UNLAWFULLY DISREGARDS AND OVERRIDES PLAINTIFFS' REGULATORY AUTHORITY OVER RATES CHARGED IN LOUISIANA AND REJECTS THE BENEFITS OF LOUISIANA'S GUARANTY ASSOCIATION PROTECTION

As discussed above, the SHIP Plan violates Louisiana law and Federal law through its intent to bypass state rate regulator authority. The Rehabilitator candidly admits that such course of action may be questionable:

Some concern has been expressed by certain state regulators about the notion that premium rate modifications under the Plan will not require approval of the states in which the policies were issued. The concern is understandable given that there have not been many troubled companies for which the issue of rate increases in rehabilitation has arisen. Moreover, insurance rate regulation tends to be an area of intense public and political focus. In some states, Commissioners are constrained by statute in the magnitude of rate increases they can authorize for long-term care insurance policies. [Plan, p. 96]

...

The Rehabilitator believes that the provisions of the Plan can be implemented with approval of the Commonwealth Court and without the need that insurance regulators in every state approve the Plan, including premium rate increases implemented under the Plan. However, regulators in other states may conclude that their approval is required. The Rehabilitator cannot provide any assurance that approval from other regulators will not ultimately be deemed necessary. Neither can the Rehabilitator provide assurances that if such other state approvals are necessary they can be obtained consistent with the timing and substance of the Plan. (Plan, p. 103ff., emphasis added.)

At the hearing for approval of the Plan, the Special Deputy Liquidator also testified candidly about the "unprecedented" nature of the Plan's intention to override State prior rate approval authority.³³

(a) Under the Plan the Pennsylvania Commissioner of Insurance Will Decide Premium Rates for Louisiana Policyholders In Violation of Law

The Plan provides that the Rehabilitator, on behalf of SHIP, will submit policy premium rates on a company-wide and nationwide basis to the Commonwealth Court for each policy.

Rate increase and Policy Modifications will be submitted to the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania for approval as part of the Plan. The Rehabilitator will not seek separate

³³ Exhibit 15, Transcript of Hearing, pp. 81 l. 23-25, 82 l.1-5.)

approval of rate increases or benefit reductions from insurance regulators in states where the policies were issued.

The rate increases will not necessarily be limited by, or adhere to, filed rate cards. Rate cards are issued by insurers and approved by regulators to describe the premium rates applicable under specified circumstances or for specific types of coverage. They are inapplicable to the Plan.

Premium increases and Policy Modifications will not be submitted to individual insurance departments for approval. The Rehabilitation team believes that this is consistent with the established insurance rehabilitation practice in the U.S. under which the domiciliary regulator as domiciliary rehabilitator may, with only rehabilitation court approval and no approval from individual states, implement a rehabilitation plan, including one that might modify or terminate insurance policies issued by the delinquent insurer throughout the country. If its premium rates were subject to approval in each state, the Plan could not meet its goal of eliminating “subsidies” by having policyholders with substantially similar policies generally pay substantially similar premium regardless of the state in which the policyholder resides or in which the policy was issued. Moreover, the delay and expense of “traditional” state-by-state rate or benefit approval would make the Plan unfeasible. Finally, the state-by-state approval process might perpetuate or increase the nation-wide premium rate variations the Plan strives to eliminate. (Plan, p. 34, emphasis added.)

The text cited above states that the rate increases will be submitted to the Commonwealth Court. However, the Plan Approval Order of the Commonwealth Court states something much different:

The Rehabilitator, in her capacity as Insurance Commissioner, shall designate an appropriate deputy insurance commissioner to review the actuarial memorandum submitted to the Insurance Department. Thereafter, the Rehabilitator shall submit the approved actuarial memorandum to the Court.³⁴

Thus, the Plan permits the Rehabilitator to step out of the role as Rehabilitator and into the role of a foreign state insurance regulator and, in that role, determine rates for Louisiana policyholders. This is remarkable, to use an understatement. Nothing in the Plan provides that “[T]he Rehabilitator, in her capacity as Insurance Commissioner” would (or could) be the rate-setter for SHIP’s Louisiana policyholders or its other 35,000 policyholders nationwide.

The Plan permits the Pennsylvania Insurance Commissioner to arrogate to herself the position of rate maker, rate enforcer, and benefit downgrader under a plan that she, as “Rehabilitator,” prepared. The Rehabilitator is completely conflicted. Plaintiffs are unaware of any provision of any law – here or in Pennsylvania – that empowers the

³⁴ Plan Approval Order, located on the last unnumbered page of Petition Exhibit 6 (emphasis added.)

Pennsylvania Commissioner *qua* “Commissioner,” with extraterritorial rate-setting authority.³⁵ Indeed, in a prior rehabilitation proceeding, the Pennsylvania Department of Insurance acknowledged, and the NAIC concurred, that prior state-by-state approvals were required and a receiver and rehabilitator does not have power to set premium rates in another jurisdiction.³⁶

Of course, even had the Commonwealth Court not included this curious provision in the Plan Approval Order and instead allowed the Rehabilitator (“as rehabilitator”) to set extraterritorial rates, the order would be unenforceable for the other reasons set forth in this memorandum.

³⁵ In support of the Rehabilitator’s argument that she can set premium rates and downgrade policies in other states, the Commonwealth Court’s Plan Approval Order (p. 50) cites to *Grode v. Mutual Fire, Marine and Inland Insurance Company*, 132 Pa. Cmwlth. 196. 572 A. 2d 798 (1991) (“*Mutual Fire I*”). However, *Mutual Fire* was a true rehabilitation case, unlike SHIP, which is a runoff of all policies via rehabilitation and eventual closure or liquidation. No other case was cited by the Commonwealth Court in support of its conclusion that the Rehabilitator can mandate rates in all affected states.

³⁶ See *In re Penn Treaty Network American Insurance Company in Rehabilitation*, 63 A. 3d 368, *Appellate Brief of Amicus Curiae National Association of Insurance Commissioners*, 2013 WL 9744013 (08/07/2013) pp. 24-27: “The Commonwealth Court is attempting to assume the traditional discretionary power and authority of state insurance commissioners with respect to ratemaking. Ratemaking is generally not a judicial function, but is left to the discretion of state insurance commissioners, who are in the best position to determine the reasonableness of rates. 1 Lee R. Russ & Thomas F. Segalla, *Couch on Insurance* 3d § 2:34 (2012). The Commonwealth Court cannot substitute its judgment for that of the Commissioner, and it must recognize the complexity of the ratemaking function and give due weight to the experience and expertise of the Commissioner....the Rehabilitator presumes that rate increases made a part of a rehabilitation plan will require state insurance department approval....It is generally understood that in a receivership proceeding, rate increases made a part of a rehabilitation plan will require state insurance department approval. See [NAIC] Receiver’s Handbook at 9. Courts are prohibited from imposing rates different than those approved by the commissioner under the filed rate doctrine. *Couch on Insurance* 3d § 2:34. The Commonwealth Court cannot substitute its judgment for that of the Commissioner, or for the state insurance commissioners of other states in which policies of the Insolvent Companies have been issued. Furthermore, it must recognize the complexity of the ratemaking function and give due weight to the experience and expertise of the state insurance commissioners” *In re Penn Treaty Network American Insurance Company in Rehabilitation*, 63 A. 3d 368, *Appellate Brief of Amicus Curiae National Association of Insurance Commissioners*, 2013 WL 9744013 (08/07/2013) pp. 24-27. The trial brief of the Pennsylvania Commissioner of Insurance also assumed that individual state regulators would have to approve rate increase and benefit downgrades for insurers in rehabilitation. *Brief for Appellant Insurance Commissioner Consedine*, 2013 WL 9744011 (Pa.) 24-27.

(b) The Coercive “Opt-Out” Scheme

The Plan seeks to reduce SHIP’s \$1.2 billion funding gap by reducing policy benefits and increasing premiums (Plan, 10, 102-103) rather than spreading the burden of SHIP’s insolvency through the guaranty association system. The Plan’s scheme is designed to evade and attempt to end-run the law of Louisiana (and all other states) requiring prior regulatory approval of rates, the Plan contains a coercive “opt-out” procedure. The Plan Approval Order describes the opt-out process succinctly:

Alternatively, under an Issue-State Rate Approval Option, a state may opt out of the rate approval section in the Plan. If a state opts out, the Rehabilitator will file an application to increase rates for policies issued in that state to the If Knew Premium level. The regulator for the opt-out state will render a decision on the Rehabilitator’s rate increase application; if it is only partially approved, the Rehabilitator will downgrade the benefits under the affected policies accordingly. (Plan Approval Order, p. 58, emphasis added.)

Thus, if an “opt-out” state does not approve and accept the premium rates approved by the Commonwealth Court and demanded by the Rehabilitator, that state’s policyholders will be punished in the form of a further downgrade to and loss of their contracted-for benefits. (Plan, pp. 108-118.) Although the SHIP Plan purports to give state regulators this “opt-out” as an “alternative” for premium rate approval for policyholders, such “approval” does not provide Louisiana or any other state complete prior regulatory authority as required by Louisiana law to approve both policy rates and benefits.³⁷

³⁷ The Plan implements this process in a complex “phase” process. In Phase One, policyholders whose premiums are below the “If Knew” premium level will be required to elect among options to modify premiums and/or benefits. (The If Knew Premium rate is defined in the Plan as “the rate that, if charged from inception, would have produced the greater of the initial target loss ratio or the minimum loss ratio applicable to the policy form.” Plan, p. 27.) If Knew Premium rates are intended to price policies adequately on a lifetime basis, but not to recoup losses due to inadequate pricing in the past. (Plan, pp. 10, 23.) Policyholders must choose among five options, all based on If Knew premium. Option 1 (“downgrade”) reduces benefits to the level supported by current premium on an If Knew basis. Option 2 is a “basic policy endorsement” with reduced benefits. Option 2(a) is an “enhanced basic policy” with an increased level of reduced benefits. Option 3 is “non-forfeiture option” or “NFO” with reduced benefits and no future premium. Option 4 is the current policy with premiums increased to If Knew levels. (Plan pp. 23-24.) Phase Two is intended to address the funding gap remaining after Phase One through further premium increases or benefit cuts largely based on “Self-sustaining Premium” and will not affect policyholders who selected Options 2 or 3 in Phase One (Plan pp. 11, 23, 58.) Policyholders who choose Options 1 or 4 in Phase One face the possibility of additional substantial rate increases or benefit reductions. (Plan, p. 15.) The substance of Phase Two is otherwise unknown, as the Plan does not specify all remedial measures that may be applied to policyholders in Phase Two and provides for an “alternative premium structure.” (Plan pp. 23, 28, 59.) Phase Three will run-off the LTC business in force. (Plan p. 11.) Policyholder elections under the Plan will be permanent. (Plan p. 14.) If SHIP is placed in

The coercive nature of the “opt-out” is used as a weapon to attempt to force the Commissioner and LDI (and other State regulators) to grant rate increases demanded by the Rehabilitator that the Rehabilitator knows or suspects would otherwise be disapproved under the threat that, otherwise, benefits will be materially reduced or eliminated for policyholders. The rate increases to be imposed on Louisiana policyholders under the Plan are extreme and likely to impose considerable hardship on SHIP’s Louisiana policyholders, all of whom are elderly and likely on fixed income. Under the Plan, it appears that premium increases for many Louisiana policyholders will exceed 300%. Policyholders may be able to avoid some of the increases, but only if they agree to the Plan’s mandate to reduce their contractually-guaranteed benefits for which they have paid premiums for years or decades.

In addition to avoiding state rate regulation, another reason the Plan takes this approach is because the Rehabilitator has concluded that many of SHIP’s policies were “substantially underpriced in that the premiums paid for a given group of...policies could be projected to fall short of what the company would need for the benefits due.” (Plan, p. 88.)

This is part and parcel of the policy decision of the Rehabilitator to eliminate what the Plan refers to as “rate subsidies.”

Premium increases and Policy Modifications will not be submitted to individual insurance departments for approval. The Rehabilitation team believes that this is consistent with the established insurance rehabilitation practice in the U.S. under which the domiciliary regulator as domiciliary rehabilitator may, with only rehabilitation court approval and no approval from individual states, implement a rehabilitation plan, including one that might modify or terminate insurance policies issued by the delinquent insurer throughout the country. If its premium rates were subject to approval in each state, the Plan could not meet its goal of eliminating “subsidies” by having policyholders with substantially similar policies generally pay substantially similar premium regardless of the state in which the policyholder resides or in which the policy was issued. Moreover, the delay and expense of “traditional” state-by-state rate or benefit approval would make the Plan unfeasible. Finally, the state-by-state approval process might perpetuate or increase the nation-wide premium rate variations the Plan strives to eliminate. (Plan, p.34.)

liquidation after the Plan is implemented, the policies to which guaranty association coverage will apply will be those as modified under the Plan. (Plan pp. 14, 92). The modified (downgraded) policies will also be the basis for distributions from the liquidation estate. The Plan treats policyholders in different states differently based on the premium rates charged in the various states. SHIP’s rates have varied across states. (Plan, p. 88.) The Plan seeks to “eliminate” these “nation-wide premium rate variations.” (Plan p. 34, 105). Under the Plan, policyholders in different States will receive different levels of premium increases and benefit cuts.

The Plan Approval Order (p. 22, 69) endorsed this Pennsylvania policy decision. However, it is not within the power or province of any court to make policy decisions. “The legislature, not the courts, creates public policy...” *In re Katrina Canal Breaches Litig.*, 10-1823, p. 4 (La. 5/10/11), 63 So. 3d 955, 958-59. “It is not the prerogative of the judiciary to disregard public policy decisions underlying legislation or to reweigh balances of interests and policy considerations already struck by the legislature.” *Progressive Sec. Ins. Co. v. Foster*, 97-2985, p. 21 (La. 4/23/98), 711 So. 2d 675, 688.³⁸

Moreover, the Commissioner and LDI were most generous in granting SHIP the premium rate increases it historically requested. Since 2009, the Commissioner and LDI have approved about 96% of total premium increases applied for by SHIP for Louisiana policyholders, a higher percentage than all but eight States.³⁹ Assertions by the Rehabilitator that, generally, jurisdictions refused to grant SHIP adequate rate increases when requested are untrue with respect to policies issued in Louisiana.

Finally, not only does the Plan propose to reset without approval premium rates for Louisiana policyholders as of the effective date, it also provides the possibility of future unknown rate changes without Plaintiffs’ approval. The Plan does not specify all remedial measures that may be applied to certain policyholders in Phase Two. “Depending on the results of Phase One, Phase Two may also include additional remedial measures.” (Plan, p. 23.). In particular, it is possible that Phase Two will utilize an “alternative premium structure.” (Plan, p. 28-29.)

(c) The Plan Improperly Rejects Guaranty Association Protection for Louisiana Policyholders

In its order approving the Plan, the Commonwealth Court adopted the Rehabilitator’s view that SHIP’s policyholders should have paid more for their coverage such that it is unjustified to “trigger” guaranty association coverage “rather than shifting the burden of the inadequate premiums to taxpayers.” (Approval Order, p. 14.) This

³⁸ Pennsylvania law is the same. “[I]t is for the legislature to formulate the public policies of the Commonwealth.” *Weaver v. Harpster*, 975 A.2d 555, 563 (Pa. 2009).

³⁹ Petition Exhibit 8, SHIP History of Approval of State Rate Increases prepared by Rehabilitator.

rationale is legally erroneous and contrary to the very purpose of the Louisiana Legislature enacting the guaranty association system (as have most other jurisdictions).⁴⁰

Under the Plan, Under the Plan, benefits will be permanently cut and premiums permanently increased in Phase One. This means that if SHIP is liquidated after the Plan is implemented, the Guaranty Associations and liquidation estate will only cover contractual obligations as reduced under the Plan. (Plan, p. 14.) “It is important to note that Policyholder Elections are not intended to, and will not, eliminate the Unfunded Benefit Liability. To the extent that it cannot be paid, that liability is expected to be discharged in due course by the Commonwealth Court upon the Rehabilitator’s application.” (Plan, p. 92.)

The Rehabilitator pursued the Plan even though she concedes that the Plan is not likely to succeed in restoring SHIP to solvency.⁴¹ Liquidation thus appears inevitable. This approach harms the policyholders because the premium increases and benefit cuts implemented under the Plan will be permanent, and only the reduced policies will be the basis for guaranty association coverage and liquidation dividends in a liquidation. The policyholders will receive less in the deferred liquidation than if SHIP were liquidated now.

The purpose of the Louisiana Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act (LLHIGA Act), La. R.S. 22:2081 *et. seq.*, “is to protect, subject to certain limitations...persons...against the failure in the performance of contractual obligations, under life and health, and annuity policies, plans, or contracts...because of the impairment or insolvency of the member insurer that issued the policies, plans, or contracts.”⁴² SHIP’s Louisiana policyholders are covered and protected by the LLHIGA Act up to the lesser of “the contractual obligation for which the member insurer is liable or would have been liable if it were not an impaired or insolvent insurer..[or] Five hundred thousand dollars in health

⁴⁰ See “The Safety Net at Work,” National Organization of Life Insurance Guaranty Associations, nolhga.com/policyholderinfo/main.cfm/location/systemworks.

⁴¹ Exhibit 14, pp. 80, 90, 189-190, 306.

⁴² La. R.S. 22:2082(A). See also lalifega.org.

insurance benefits.”⁴³ It is not within the Rehabilitator’s discretion to reject these statutory protections because the Rehabilitator deems Louisiana policyholders – who purchased lawful contracts and paid the lawfully established premiums requested by SHIP and approved by the Commissioner and LDI – unworthy.

Guaranty associations have been established around the country to “protect, subject to certain limitations, [policyholders] against failure in the performance of contractual obligations...because of the impairment or insolvency of the member insurer that issued the policies, plans or contracts.” *E.g.*, 40 P.S. § 991.1701. The statutes do not limit guaranty association coverage based upon forensic and retrospective analysis of premium adequacy which is what is happening in the Plan. The statutes serve to honor the insurer’s contractual obligations. The LLHIGA Act reflects the legislative determination that policies are “worthy” of protection up to the statutory guaranty association limits except as specifically excluded. LLHIGA, as with most guaranty associations, are funded by assessment against covered insurers which can offset most of the assessments against any premium tax liability of the insurers.⁴⁴

‘The provisions of the [LLHIGA Act] must be interpreted to protect claimants and policyholders and to advance their interest rather than the interests of the associations.’ *Shane v. Sandifer*, 418 So.2d 543, 546 (La. 1982) Thus, as a matter of policy enacted by the Louisiana Legislature, the burden of an insurer’s insolvency is spread broadly, instead as being imposed only on the policyholder as provided by the SHIP Plan.

Under the Plan, the amount by which liabilities are reduced in Phase One will not be covered by LLHIGA for Louisiana policyholders in the event of SHIP’s likely liquidation. The Plan overrides this legislative judgment. The Plan deprives innocent policyholders of the benefits of the LLHIGA Act based on the Rehabilitator’s disagreement with the legislative judgments about which policyholders warrant protection and how the cost of that protection should be supported. The Rehabilitator does not have discretion to

⁴³ La. Rev. Stat. 22:2083(A) and (C).

⁴⁴ La. Rev. Stat. 28:2092.

disregard the protections of 40 P.S. § 991.1701 and Louisiana's LLHIGA Act and choose to impose a significant financial loss on SHIP Louisiana policyholders.

8. CONCLUSION

The Commissioner and LDI are entitled to issuance of a preliminary prohibitory injunction enjoining the Rehabilitator and SHIP from (a) attempting to enforce against any Louisiana policyholders of SHIP any plan implemented or attempted to be implanted by the that affects the rates paid by or benefits accorded to Louisiana policyholders of SHIP without compliance with all applicable provisions of Louisiana law and regulations, (b) soliciting any Louisiana policyholders of SHIP to select "options" under the Plan without compliance with all applicable provisions of Louisiana law and regulations, and (c) such other and further relief consistent therewith and in the public interest.

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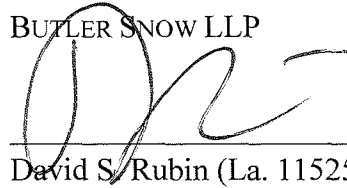
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**JAMES J. DONELON
IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY
AS COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE
FOR THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND
THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF
INSURANCE**

Plaintiff

NUMBER: 713794

SECTION: 22

VERSUS

**JESSICA K. ALTMAN, IN HER CAPACITY AS STATUTORY
REHABILITATOR OF SENIOR HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY OF
PENNSYLVANIA, AND
SENIOR HEALT INSURANCE COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA, IN
REHABILITATION**

Defendant

PETITION EXHIBITS TO BE INTRODUCED BY PLAINTIFFS

Exhibits Attached to Petition

1. Louisiana Certificate of Authority for SHIP
2. Consent Agreement between LDI and SHIP
3. Application for Rehabilitation
4. Order of Rehabilitation
5. Approved SHIP Plan of Rehabilitation
6. Memorandum Opinion and Order approving the SHIP Plan
7. National Association of Insurance Commissioners – State Insurance Regulation
8. SHIP History of State Approval of Rate Increases
9. Rehabilitator's Notice and Election Form Under Plan
10. Commissioner and LDI Response to Rehabilitator's Notice and Election Form Under Plan
11. Rehabilitator's Response to Exhibit 10.

Additional Exhibits to Be Introduced Attached to Pre-Hearing Memorandum

12. 40 P.S. §221.16(b) *et seq.*
13. Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Primer
14. SHIP Appointment of LDI as Agent for Service of Process
15. Transcript from SHIP Hearing on Approval of Plan
16. Memo dated 11/22/21 from NAIC Receivership and Insolvency Task Force

Exhibit 12

§ 221.15. Rehabilitation orders, PA ST 40 P.S. § 221.15

Purdon's Pennsylvania Statutes and Consolidated Statutes

Title 40 P.S. Insurance (Refs & Annos)

Chapter 1. Insurance Department (Refs & Annos)

Article V. Suspension of Business--Involuntary Dissolutions (Refs & Annos)

(c) Formal Proceedings

A. Rehabilitation

40 P.S. § 221.15

§ 221.15. Rehabilitation orders

(a) The commissioner may apply by petition to the Commonwealth Court, for an order authorizing him to rehabilitate a domestic insurer or an alien insurer domiciled in this Commonwealth, alleging that the insurer has committed one or more acts which may constitute grounds for rehabilitation as set forth in section 514 of this article.¹

(b) An order of the Commonwealth Court to rehabilitate the business of an insurer shall be issued only after a hearing before the court or pursuant to a written consent of the insurer.

(c) An order to rehabilitate the business of a domestic insurer, or an alien insurer domiciled in this Commonwealth, shall appoint the commissioner and his successors in office the rehabilitator, and shall direct the rehabilitator forthwith to take possession of the assets of the insurer including any deposits held by the commissioner, and to administer them under the orders of the court. The filing or recording of the order with the clerk of the Commonwealth Court or recorder of deeds of the county in which the principal business of the company is conducted, or the county in which its principal office or place of business is located, shall impart the same notice as a deed, bill of sale or other evidence of title duly filed or recorded with that recorder of deeds would have imparted.

(d) Entry of an order of rehabilitation shall not constitute an anticipatory breach of any contracts of the insurer.

Credits

1921, May 17, P.L. 789, art. V, § 515, added 1977, Dec. 14, P.L. 280, No. 92, § 2, imd. effective.

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§ 221.16. Powers and duties of the rehabilitator, PA ST 40 P.S. § 221.16

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A. Rehabilitation

40 P.S. § 221.16

§ 221.16. Powers and duties of the rehabilitator

(a) The commissioner as rehabilitator may appoint a special deputy who shall have all the powers of the rehabilitator granted under this section. The commissioner shall make such arrangements for compensation as are necessary to obtain a special deputy of proven ability. The special deputy shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioner.

(b) The rehabilitator may take such action as he deems necessary or expedient to correct the condition or conditions which constituted the grounds for the order of the court to rehabilitate the insurer. He shall have all the powers of the directors, officers and managers, whose authority shall be suspended, except as they are redelegated by the rehabilitator. He shall have full power to direct and manage, to hire and discharge employees subject to any contract rights they may have, and to deal with the property and business of the insurer.

(c) If it appears to the rehabilitator that there has been criminal or tortious conduct, or breach of any contractual or fiduciary obligation detrimental to the insurer by any officer, manager, agent, broker, employee, or other person, he may pursue all appropriate legal remedies on behalf of the insurer.

(d) The rehabilitator may prepare a plan for the reorganization, consolidation, conversion, reinsurance, merger or other transformation of the insurer. Upon application of the rehabilitator for approval of the plan, and after such notice and hearing as the court may prescribe, the court may either approve or disapprove the plan proposed, or may modify it and approve it as modified. If it is approved, the rehabilitator shall carry out the plan. In the case of a life insurer, the plan proposed may include the imposition of liens upon the equities of policyholders of the company, provided that all rights of shareholders are first relinquished. A plan for a life insurer may also propose imposition of a moratorium upon loan and cash surrender rights under policies, for such period and to such an extent as may be necessary.

(e) The rehabilitator shall have the power to avoid fraudulent transfers under sections 528 and 529.¹

Credits

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§ 221.17. Actions by and against rehabilitator, PA ST 40 P.S. § 221.17

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(c) Formal Proceedings

A. Rehabilitation

40 P.S. § 221.17

§ 221.17. Actions by and against rehabilitator

(a) On request of the rehabilitator, any court in this State before which any action or proceeding by or against an insurer is pending when a rehabilitation order against the insurer is entered shall stay the action or proceeding for such time as is necessary for the rehabilitator to obtain proper representation and prepare for further proceedings. The Commonwealth Court shall order the rehabilitator to take such action respecting the pending litigation as the court deems necessary in the interests of justice and for the protection of creditors, policyholders, and the public. The rehabilitator shall immediately consider all litigation pending outside this Commonwealth and shall petition the courts having jurisdiction over that litigation for stays whenever necessary to protect the estate of the insurer.

(b) The time between the filing of a petition for rehabilitation against an insurer and denial of the petition or an order of rehabilitation shall not be considered to be a part of the time within which any action may be commenced by or against the insurer. Any action by or against the insurer that might have been commenced when the petition was filed may be commenced for at least sixty days after the order of rehabilitation is entered.

Credits

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Article V. Suspension of Business--Involuntary Dissolutions (Refs & Annos)

(c) Formal Proceedings

A. Rehabilitation

40 P.S. § 221.18

§ 221.18. Termination of rehabilitation

(a) Whenever he has reasonable cause to believe that further attempts to rehabilitate an insurer would substantially increase the risk of loss to creditors, policy and certificate holders, or the public, or would be futile, the rehabilitator may petition the Commonwealth Court for an order of liquidation. A petition under this subsection shall have the same effect as a petition under section 520.¹ The Commonwealth Court shall permit the directors to take such actions as are reasonably necessary to defend against the petition and may order payment from the estate of the insurer of such costs and other expenses of defense as justice may require.

(b) The rehabilitator may at any time petition the Commonwealth Court for an order terminating rehabilitation of an insurer. If the Commonwealth Court finds that rehabilitation has been accomplished and that grounds for rehabilitation under section 514² no longer exists, it shall order that the insurer be restored to possession of its property and the control of its business. The Commonwealth Court may also make that finding and issue that order at any time upon its own motion.

Credits

1921, May 17, P.L. 789, art. V, § 518, added 1977, Dec. 14, P.L. 280, No. 92, § 2, imd. effective.

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Exhibit 13

Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Primer

The Rehabilitation Process

When an insurance company is placed into rehabilitation in Pennsylvania, the Insurance Commissioner, as Rehabilitator, has certain powers, provided under the Rehabilitation statute, that would not be available if the Company were a going concern¹. Like other states, Pennsylvania's receivership laws are based on NAIC receivership models, and were enacted to ensure policyholders in all states are uniformly protected in the event of hazardous financial condition or insolvency. The Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court supervises this action. The goal of the Rehabilitator is to reduce or eliminate the causes of the delinquency proceeding and to preserve the company's assets for policyholder protection.

The Commonwealth Court issues an Order of Rehabilitation which puts numerous policyholder protections in place and gives the Rehabilitator the opportunity to perform an independent, in-depth financial analysis. In addition, the Order of Rehabilitation places the company under the statutory control of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department.

Pursuant to Pennsylvania Law:

- An order to rehabilitate SHIP shall appoint the Commissioner, and her successors in office, the Rehabilitator, and shall direct the Rehabilitator forthwith to take possession of the assets of the insurer and to administer them under the orders of the Court.
- The Commissioner as Rehabilitator may appoint a special deputy who shall have all the powers of the Rehabilitator granted under this section. The special deputy shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioner.
- The Rehabilitator may take such action as she deems necessary or expedient to correct the condition or conditions which constituted the grounds for the order of the court to rehabilitate the insurer. She shall have all the powers of the directors, officers and managers, whose authority shall be suspended, except as they are redelegated by the Rehabilitator. She shall have full power to direct and manage, to hire and discharge employees subject to any contract rights they may have, and to deal with the property and business of the insurer.
- If it appears to the Rehabilitator that there has been criminal or tortious conduct, or breach of any contractual or fiduciary obligation detrimental to the insurer by any officer, manager, agent, broker, employee, or other person, she may pursue all appropriate legal remedies on behalf of the insurer.
- The Rehabilitator may prepare a plan for the reorganization, consolidation, conversion, reinsurance, merger or other transformation of the insurer. Upon application of the Rehabilitator for approval of the plan, and after such notice and hearing as the court may prescribe, the court may either approve or disapprove the plan proposed or may modify it and approve it as modified. This provides an opportunity to comment or even object

¹ Article V of the Insurance Department Act of 1921, Act of May 19, 1921, P.L. 789, *as amended* ("Article V"), 40 P.S. §§ 221.1-221.63, and Rule 3774(c) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Appellate Procedure, Pa. R.A.P. 3774(c).

to the proposed plan for any interested party. If it is approved, the Rehabilitator shall carry out the plan as approved.

- Additionally, the Rehabilitator may file for liquidation of the company if it deems that further attempts to rehabilitate the company are futile or if a continued rehabilitation would increase the risk of loss to policyholders.

It is established law that the powers of the rehabilitator are broad. For example, The Insurers Rehabilitation and Liquidation Model Act (NAIC Model 555-4) provides at Article 18

- C. The rehabilitator may take such action as the rehabilitator deems necessary or appropriate to reform and revitalize the insurer. The rehabilitator shall have all the powers of the directors, officers and managers, whose authority shall be suspended, except as redelegated by the rehabilitator. The rehabilitator shall have full power to direct and manage, to hire and discharge employees subject to any contract rights they may have, and to deal with the property and business of the insurer.
- E. If the rehabilitator determines that reorganization, consolidation, conversion, reinsurance, merger or other transformation of the insurer is appropriate, the rehabilitator shall prepare a plan to effect such changes and shall file it with the Court within six (6) months after the entry of the rehabilitation order or such further time as the Court may allow for good cause. Upon application of the rehabilitator for approval of the plan, and after such notice and hearings as the court may prescribe, the court may either approve or disapprove the plan proposed, or may modify it and approve it as modified. Any plan approved under this section shall be, in the judgment of the court, fair and equitable to all parties concerned. If the plan is approved, the rehabilitator shall carry out the plan. In the case of a life insurer, the plan proposed may include the imposition of liens upon the policies of the company, if all rights of shareholders are first relinquished. A plan for a life insurer may also propose imposition of a moratorium upon loan and cash surrender rights under policies, for a period not to exceed six (6) months from the entry of the rehabilitation order, unless the Court, for good cause shown, shall extend the moratorium.
- G. The enumeration, in this section, of the powers and authority of the rehabilitator shall not be construed as a limitation upon the rehabilitator, nor shall it exclude in any manner the right to do other acts not specifically enumerated or otherwise provided for, as may be necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment of or in aid of the purpose of rehabilitation.

Similarly, the successor Insurer Receivership Model Act (NAIC Model 555-1) provides at Section 402:

- A. The rehabilitator may take such action as the rehabilitator deems necessary or appropriate to reform and revitalize the insurer, including but not limited to, canceling policies, insurance and reinsurance contracts (other than life or health insurance or annuities), surety bonds or surety undertakings, or transferring policies, insurance and reinsurance contracts, surety bonds or surety undertakings to a solvent assuming insurer, with court approval. The rehabilitator shall have all the powers of the directors, officers and managers of the insurer, whose authority shall be suspended, except as redelegated by the rehabilitator. The rehabilitator shall have full power to direct and manage, to hire and discharge employees, and to deal with the property and business of the insurer. The rehabilitator shall not be liable under [insert citation to state version of statute imposing liability for issuing policies while insolvent] as the result of good faith issuance or renewal of policies while in rehabilitation.

- D. The enumeration, in this section, of the powers and authority of the rehabilitator shall not be construed as a limitation upon the rehabilitator, nor shall it exclude in any manner the right to do other acts not specifically enumerated or otherwise provided for, as may be necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment of or in aid of the purpose of rehabilitation.

Commissioner Altman has filed a Petition for Rehabilitation of SHIP, on Thursday, 1/23/2020, in Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court. At this time, we await the Court's entry of an Order of Rehabilitation. There may be a hearing before the Order is entered. This initial stage will only result in placing SHIP in rehabilitation and will not yet address any elements of the proposed rehabilitation plan.

After the entry of a Rehabilitation Order, we will have a period of time, probably 90 days or so, to conclude our work on the plan of Rehabilitation, which we will be discussing on our call on January 24, 2020. There will be time, during this period, to continue to exchange information and provide input on the plan, prior to the filing of a plan and a subsequent hearing being held on the approval of the plan.

If you have any questions, or wish to discuss this matter further, please feel free to reach out to Laura Lyon Slaymaker at the Pennsylvania Insurance Department or Patrick Cantilo.

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COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE
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Louisiana Insurance Department
1702 N. 3rd Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

RE: UCAA Form 12, Uniform Consent to Service of Process
Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania
NAIC No.: 76325

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed you will find the Amended Uniform Consent to Service of Process appointing the Officers of the States and their successors identified in Exhibit A, or where applicable appoints the required agent designated in Exhibit A as its attorney in such States upon whom may be served any notice, process or pleading as required by law for Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania (hereinafter "Company").

The following documents and information are being submitted in connection with the Amended Uniform Consent to Service of Process:

- Amended Uniform Consent to Service of Process (Form 12)
- Resolution authorizing Appointment of Attorney

Please approve the enclosed Amended Uniform Consent to Service of Process in your state and notify us of your approval at your earliest convenience. Please also date-stamp the enclosed copy of this letter to indicate your receipt of this request and return in the enclosed self-addressed envelope provided.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have questions or need further information to process this request, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kimberly J. Helsley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kimberly Helsley
Paralegal
Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania
P - (317) 566-7564
F - (317) 566-7585
khelsley@shipltc.com
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SENIOR HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY
OF PENNSYLVANIA

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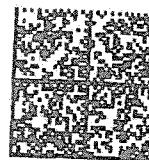
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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
JAMES J. DONELON
COMMISSIONER

July 26, 2016

Ms. Jewel Moore
Commercial Division Supervisor
Louisiana Secretary of State
P. O. Box 94125
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9125

RE: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania NAIC # 76325

Dear Ms. Moore:

Enclosed are the amended Uniform Consent to Service of Process forms recently filed by the above captioned companies. Please adjust your records accordingly.

If you have any questions or if you would like to discuss this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Candace Allen

Candace Allen
Insurance Specialist, Company Licensing
Office of Licensing and Compliance
(225) 219-9493, fax (225) 219-9322
(800) 259-5300
callen@ldi.la.gov

Enclosures

Applicant Name: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania

NAIC No. #76325

FEIN: #23-0704970

Uniform Consent to Service of Process

Original Designation

X Amended Designation

(must be submitted directly to states)

Insurer Name: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania

Previous Name (if applicable):

Home Office Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200

City, State, Zip: Carmel, IN 46032

NAIC Code: #76325

The entity named above, organized under the laws of Pennsylvania, for purposes of complying with the laws of the State(s) designate hereunder relating to the holding of a certificate of authority or the conduct of an insurance business within said State(s), pursuant to a resolution adopted by its board of directors or other governing body, hereby irrevocably appoints the officers of the State(s) and their successors identified in Exhibit A, or where applicable appoints the required agent so designated in Exhibit A hereunder as its attorney in such State(s) upon whom may be served any notice, process or pleading as required by law as reflected on Exhibit A in any action or proceeding against it in the State(s) so designated; and does hereby consent that any lawful action or proceeding against it may be commenced in any court of competent jurisdiction and proper venue within the State(s) so designated; and agrees that any lawful process against it which is served under this appointment shall be of the same legal force and validity as if served on the entity directly. This appointment shall be binding upon any successor to the above named entity that acquires the entity's assets or assumes its liabilities by merger, consolidation or otherwise; and shall be binding as long as there is a contract in force or liability of the entity outstanding in the State. The entity hereby waives all claims of error by reason of such service. The entity named above agrees to submit an amended designation form upon a change in any of the information provided on this power of attorney.

Applicant Officers' Certification and Attestation

One of the two Officers (listed below) of the Applicant must read the following very carefully and sign:

1. I acknowledge that I am authorized to execute and am executing this document on behalf of the Applicant.
2. I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the applicable jurisdictions that all of the forgoing is true and correct, executed at Carmel, Indiana.

11/26/14

Date: _____

Nov 21, 2014

Date _____

B. Law

Signature of President

Brian Charles Wegner

Full Legal Name of President

Signature of Secretary _____

Signature of Secretary

Ginger Susan Darrough

Full Legal Name of Secretary

Uniform Consent to Service of Process

Exhibit A

Place an "X" before the names of all the States for which the person executing this form is appointing the designated agent in that State for receipt of service of process:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AL	Commissioner of Insurance # and Resident Agent*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MO	Director of Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AK	Director of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MT	Commissioner of Securities and Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AZ	Director of Insurance # ^	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NE	Officer of Company* or Resident Agent* (circle one)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AR	Resident Agent *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NH	Commissioner of Insurance #
<input type="checkbox"/>	AS	Commissioner of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NV	Commissioner of Insurance Commission # ^
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CO	Commissioner of Insurance # or Resident Agent*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NJ	Commissioner of Banking and Insurance # ^
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CT	Commissioner of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NM	Superintendent of Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DE	Commissioner of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NY	Superintendent of Financial Services #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DC	Commissioner of Insurance and Securities Regulation # or Local Agent* (circle one)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NC	Commissioner of Insurance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FL	Chief Financial Officer # ^	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ND	Commissioner of Insurance # ^
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	GA	Commissioner of Insurance and Safety Fire # and Resident Agent*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OH	Resident Agent*
<input type="checkbox"/>	GU	Commissioner of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OR	Resident Agent*
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HI	Insurance Commissioner # and Resident Agent*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OK	Commissioner of Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ID	Director of Insurance # ^	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PR	Commissioner of Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IL	Director of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RI	Superintendent of Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IN	Resident Agent* ^	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SC	Director of Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IA	Commissioner of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SD	Director of Insurance # ^
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	KS	Commissioner of Insurance #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TN	Commissioner of Insurance #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	KY	Secretary of State #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TX	Resident Agent*
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LA	Secretary of State #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	UT	Resident Agent* ^
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MD	Insurance Commissioner #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	VT	Secretary of State* or Resident Agent*
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ME	Resident Agent* ^	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	VI	Lieutenant Governor/Commissioner#
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MI	Resident Agent *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WA	Insurance Commissioner #
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MN	Commissioner of Commerce #	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WV	Secretary of State # @
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MS	Commissioner of Insurance and Resident Agent* BOTH are required.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	WY	Commissioner of Insurance #

For the forwarding of Service of Process received by a State Officer complete Exhibit B listing by state the entities (one per state) with full name and address where service of process is to be forwarded. Use additional pages as necessary. Colorado will forward Service of Process to the Secretary of the company and requires a resident agent for foreign entities. Exhibit not required for New Jersey, and North Carolina. Florida accepts only an individual as the entity and requires an email address. New Jersey allows but does not require a foreign insurer to designate a specific forwarding address on Exhibit B. SC will not forward to an individual by name; however, it will forward to a position, e.g., Attention: President (or Compliance Officer, etc.). Washington requires an email address on Exhibit B.

* Attach a completed Exhibit B listing the Resident Agent for the insurer (one per state). Include state name, Resident Agent's full name and street address. Use additional pages as necessary. (DC* requires an agent within a ten mile radius of the District).

^ Initial pleadings only.

@ Form accepted only as part of a Uniform Certificate of Authority application.

MA will send the required form to the applicant when the approval process reaches that point.

Exhibit A

Exhibit B

Complete for each state indicated in Exhibit A:

State: AL Name of Entity: CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service, Incorporated
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 150 South Perry Street, Montgomery, AL 36104
Street Address: Same

State: AL Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: AK Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: AZ Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: AR Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 300 Spring Building, Suite 900, 300 South Spring Street, Little Rock, AR 72201
Street Address: Same

Exhibit B

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Complete for each state indicated in Exhibit A:

State: CO Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 1560 Broadway, Suite 2090, Denver, CO 80202
Street Address: Same

State: CT Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: DE Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: DC Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 1090 Vermont Avenue N.W., Washington, DC 20005
Street Address: Same

State: FL Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

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State: GA Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 40 Technology Pkwy South, #300, Norcross, GA 30092
Street Address: Same

State: GA Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: HI Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: HI Name of Entity: CSC Services of Hawaii, Inc.
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 1003 Bishop Street, Suite 1600 Pauahi Tower, Honolulu, HI 96813
Street Address: Same

State: ID Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
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Street Address: Same

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State: IL Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
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Street Address: Same

State: IN Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@escinfo.com
Mailing Address: 251 East Ohio Street, Suite 500, Indianapolis, IN 46204
Street Address: Same

State: IA Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
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Street Address: Same

State: KS Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
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Street Address: Same

State: KY Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
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Street Address: Same

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Street Address: Same

State: MD Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
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Street Address: Same

State: ME Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 45 Memorial Circle, Augusta, ME 04330
Street Address: Same

State: MI Name of Entity: CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service (Company)
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 601 Abbot Road, East Lansing, MI 48823
Street Address: Same

State: MN Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

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State: MS Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 506 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39201
Street Address: Same

State: MS Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
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Street Address: Same

State: MO Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
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Street Address: Same

State: MT Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: NE Name of Entity: CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 233 South 13th Street, Suite 1900, Lincoln, NE 68508
Street Address: Same

Exhibit B

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State: NH Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032

Street Address: Same

State: NV Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032

Street Address: Same

State: NJ Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

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Street Address: Same

State: NM Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

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Street Address: Same

State: NY Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032

Street Address: Same

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State: NC Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
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Street Address: Same

State: ND Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: OH Name of Entity: CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service (Corporation Service Company)
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 50 West Broad Street, Suite 1800, Columbus, OH 43215
Street Address: Same

State: OR Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 285 Liberty Street, NE, Salem, OR 97301
Street Address: Same

State: OK Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
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Street Address: Same

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State: RI Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

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State: SC Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

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Street Address: Same

State: SD Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032

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State: TN Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032

Street Address: Same

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Complete for each state indicated in Exhibit A:

State: TX Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company d/b/a CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service Co
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 211 E. 7th Street, Suite 620, Austin, TX 78701-3218
Street Address: Same

State: UT Name of Entity: Corporation Service Company
Phone Number: 1-800-927-9800 Fax Number: 302-636-5454
Email Address: sop@cscinfo.com
Mailing Address: 10 East South Temple, Suite 850, Salt Lake City, UT 84133
Street Address: Same

State: VT Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: VI Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
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Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

State: WA Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody
Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585
Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com
Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032
Street Address: Same

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State: WY Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032

Street Address: Same

State: WY Name of Entity: Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania – Patrick L. Carmody

Phone Number: 317-566-7567 Fax Number: 317-566-7585

Email Address: pcarmody@shipltc.com

Mailing Address: 550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 200, Carmel, IN 46032

Street Address: Same

Resolution Authorizing Appointment of Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors or other governing body of Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania, this 3rd day of September, 2014, that the President or Secretary of said entity be and are hereby authorized by the Board of Directors and directed to sign and execute the Uniform Consent to Service of Process to give irrevocable consent that actions may be commenced against said entity in the proper court of any jurisdiction in the state(s) of Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, U.S. Virgin Islands, Washington, West Virginia, and Wyoming in which the action shall arise, or in which plaintiff may reside, by service of process in the state(s) indicated above and irrevocably appoints the officer(s) of the state(s) and their successors in such offices or appoints the agent(s) so designated in the Uniform Consent to Service of Process and stipulate and agree that such service of process shall be taken and held in all courts to be as valid and binding as if due service had been made upon said entity according to the laws of said state.

CERTIFICATION:

I, Ginger Darrough, Secretary of Senior Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania, state that this is a true and accurate copy of the resolution adopted effective the 3rd day of September, 2014 by the Board of Directors or governing board at a meeting held on the 3rd day of September, 2014 or by written consent dated 21 day of November, 2014.



Secretary

Exhibit 15

IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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IN RE: Senior Health : NO. 1 SHP 2020

Insurance Company of :

Pennsylvania in :

Rehabilitation :

- - -

Monday, May 17, 2021

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Proceeding in the above-captioned matter held before THE HONORABLE MARY HANNAH LEAVITT, at the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, 601 Commonwealth Avenue, Harrisburg, Pa., commencing at 10:00 a.m., on the above date, before Karen A. Nickel, Certified Realtime Reporter and Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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MAGNA LEGAL SERVICES

(866) 624-6221

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APPEARANCES:

Counsel for the Statutory Rehabilitator of
Senior Health Insurance Company of
Pennsylvania:

COZEN O'CONNOR

BY: MICHAEL J. BROADBENT, ESQUIRE

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JUDGE LEAVITT: Good morning.

Please be seated. All right. We are here today on the Rehabilitator, Jessica Altman, Second Amended Rehabilitation Plan. All of you should have received the decorum order. Just to remind you, if you are speaking, you may remove your mask. And, in fact, I urge you to do so for the sake of the court reporter and for the sake of the Court.

Just as a point of order, we have a lengthy list of participants who wish to do cross-examination. It is up to you whether you want to conduct your cross-examination from the Respondent counsel table, which is on that side of the courtroom. If you prefer, you may use the podium. They are both set up for safe social distancing.

I think it makes best sense for the counsel, for example, for the state regulators, to move up to the counsel table, I believe there are two lawyers representing the state regulators, complete their cross-examination, return to their seat in the courtroom, and then we will move through the list to NOLHGA, same

1 system; the lawyers representing the
2 intervenors can come up as a group. There's
3 plenty of social distancing at the Respondent
4 table.

5 And with that, we will call Jessica
6 Altman, the Insurance Commissioner of
7 Pennsylvania, to begin her case in support of
8 the Second Amended Plan of Rehabilitation of
9 the Senior Health Insurance Company of
10 Pennsylvania.

11 MR. BROADBENT: Good morning,
12 Your Honor.

13 JUDGE LEAVITT: Good morning,
14 Mr. Broadbent.

15 MR. BROADBENT: As the Court
16 just acknowledged, my name is Michael
17 Broadbent. I'm here with Cozen O'Connor on
18 behalf of the Rehabilitator, Jessica Altman,
19 and I will refer to Senior Health as SHIP
20 throughout and I think everyone will do so as
21 well.

22 I intend to keep the opening short,
23 I think as Your Honor requested, primarily just
24 to lay out the big picture things that we
25 intend to present, as well as the evidence you

1 will hear from various witnesses.

2 Our goal is to present the Court
3 with what we believe is the reasonable and
4 thoughtful analysis of the Rehabilitator,
5 ultimately reflecting the exercise of our
6 discussion, properly designing a plan and
7 intending to implement one that we believe will
8 impact materially and position SHIP in a way
9 that is highly beneficial for the
10 policyholders.

11 So the central concept of the plan
12 is to provide policyholders options that reduce
13 or eliminate expensive, sometimes unwanted or
14 unneeded benefits, thereby reducing the deficit
15 but in a way that gives the policyholders a
16 choice in allocating the loss for themselves.
17 As the testimony and exhibits will demonstrate,
18 the plan provides the policyholders with
19 meaningful choices that cover their future
20 benefits and premiums that they can collect on
21 their own. We think it is a far better outcome
22 than an immediate liquidation and we intend to
23 show that it is fair, equitable and
24 constitutional to approve the plan.

25 The Court knows that the current and

1 projected assets are insufficient to meet the
2 liabilities and we make no mistake it will be
3 difficult to fully restore SHIP to solvency or
4 to effectively rehabilitate the plan, but we
5 believe this is the way to do it despite the
6 poor financial health of the company.

7 Really none of the objections we
8 have heard, and we will address that in time,
9 demonstrate that the plan should not be
10 approved, that it is not fair and equitable,
11 and it does not offer the policyholders what is
12 truly beneficial to them, and that is choice in
13 the outcome they will face in the insolvency.

14 With the assistance of Special
15 Deputy Rehabilitator Patrick Cantilo and Oliver
16 Wyman, an actuarial consultant, and other
17 counsel, and we developed this plan and we
18 intend to put on three witnesses in support.

19 The first is Mr. Cantilo, the
20 Special Deputy Rehabilitator. In that role, he
21 oversaw the development of the plan and its
22 predecessors, the earlier stages of the plan.
23 And as I think the Court knows, Mr. Cantilo is
24 really an unparalleled authority on these
25 matters, and we believe that the plan he

1 developed, in conjunction with the
2 Rehabilitator and other consultants, should be
3 approved.

4 I will give a brief overview of the
5 testimony he intends to present today and
6 tomorrow. He is going to briefly lay out the
7 company's financial history and the history of
8 the entity itself, explain both how we got here
9 and the scope of the current LTC business and
10 the deficit that should face us.

11 As Mr. Cantilo will explain, there
12 is approximately 40,000 in force policies which
13 have been vastly underpriced for many decades.
14 The result of policyholders paying far less in
15 premium than necessary, which is in part
16 inconsistent rate approvals across the state
17 and other factors, ultimately leading to the
18 policyholders across the state paying those
19 varying rates to receive their benefit
20 coverage.

21 And on the subject of rate
22 increases, Mr. Cantilo will provide the Court
23 with a little bit more historical background on
24 SHIP's increases as they were requested, they
25 were approved, and to what degree that really

1 has greatly impacted SHIP's current financial
2 health, and why we think one of the reasons --
3 and that's one reason why we think the current
4 plan and the way it sets rates in a seriatim
5 basis hearing with the Court's approval
6 addresses that issue and, ultimately, provides
7 the best solution.

8 The result of all of this is that
9 there is inequities in the way the
10 policyholders pay premiums that subsidize some
11 of the more valuable coverage that Mr. Cantilo
12 will help the Court see how that plays out for
13 SHIP's policyholders.

14 Mr. Cantilo will briefly address the
15 efforts of the Department prior to
16 rehabilitation, those things that the
17 Department did to try and identify the problem
18 at SHIP and encourage SHIP to cure the problem
19 itself, ultimately unsuccessful, leading us to
20 the rehabilitation.

21 After the background, Mr. Cantilo
22 will turn to the plan itself, summarizing the
23 key provisions and explaining the important
24 details of the design and operation which, as I
25 think the Court knows, will proceed in three

1 phases. Mr. Cantilo will address to the extent
2 possible each one of the phases;

3 Phase 1, in which the policyholders
4 are given a set of options using this new
5 premium mechanism, which Mr. Cantilo will
6 explain how that was adopted and the reason why
7 that works here and the various options, how
8 they will be presented to the policyholders,
9 and what their choices are.

10 Mr. Cantilo will address further
11 briefly, Phase Two and the idea of -- the
12 flexibility of Phase Two and the way that's
13 designed to address any remaining deficit as it
14 appears at the end of Phase One.

15 Finally, Mr. Cantilo will turn to
16 the reactions of the plan to the various
17 parties and address some of the concerns that
18 those parties have raised, specifically, a
19 comparison of the plan to liquidation and help
20 the Court understand why the rehabilitators
21 concluded the plan is ultimately a better
22 outcome than immediate liquidation.

23 I will pause there also to address
24 the issue of state rate approval option -- Mr.
25 Cantilo will explain it to the Court -- and the

1 reasons why this option effectively gives those
2 states that do not want to have the Court
3 approve a plan that sets rates through the
4 Rehabilitator, those Courts are now in control
5 of their own destiny -- those states are in
6 control of their own destiny. They can choose
7 to opt out of the plan and then decide for the
8 policyholders, over whom they would otherwise
9 have authority, what the rates will be and what
10 the options will be.

11 After Mr. Cantilo concludes, we will
12 offer Marc Lambright and actuary Oliver Wyman.
13 Mr. Lambright is expected to testify
14 exclusively as to the efforts of the Department
15 prior to rehabilitation to understand the scope
16 of the issue of the SHIP and to understand the
17 actuarial analyses and ultimately, again, try
18 and get SHIP to right itself. We expect
19 Mr. Lambright's testimony will be brief and
20 focus on these issues.

21 Following Mr. Lambright's testimony
22 will be Vince Bodnar, again Oliver Wyman. Mr.
23 Bodnar will provide significant testimony on
24 the scope of the plan, the way that it
25 operates, the options available, the

1 development of the plan, and he will, again, in
2 supplementing what Mr. Cantilo has testified
3 to, advise the Court as to why the rate
4 structure that the Rehabilitator proposes to
5 adopt not only addresses the deficit of SHIP
6 but does so in a way that actuarially justified
7 in effect consistent with the rate setting
8 mechanism that the states themselves use across
9 the country.

10 And Mr. Bodnar, like Mr. Cantilo,
11 will conclude his testimony with analyses to
12 compare liquidation and rehabilitation,
13 ultimately leading to the same conclusion that
14 we hope the Court will find, which is
15 rehabilitation is better than liquidation in
16 this case.

17 And I will conclude only by pointing
18 out, as the Court knows, long-term care
19 insolvency of this magnitude are not common.
20 The Court is well familiar with Penn Treaty,
21 but this is not Penn Treaty. We have limited
22 opposition from the various parties, not as to
23 the financial condition of the company or
24 assumptions or projections and liabilities, but
25 focuses exclusively on what we believe are

1 narrow issues that the plan more than
2 adequately addresses, in fact, in a way that is
3 thoughtful and truly resolves any legitimate
4 concern those parties may have.

5 And we expect that Mr. Cantilo and
6 Mr. Bodnar will preemptively address some of
7 those concerns and, of course, draw them out as
8 necessary, on cross-examination.

9 So I will conclude what I promised
10 would be short and was perhaps longer than I
11 intended by calling Mr. Cantilo to the stand
12 unless Your Honor has any questions she would
13 like me to address now.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: No. Thank
15 you. That was just the right length.

16 MR. BROADBENT: It might be
17 easier as well for me to question from --

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: That's fine.

19 PATRICK CANTILO, a witness herein,
20 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
21 testified as follows:

22 DIRECT EXAMINATION

23 BY MR. BROADBENT:

24 Q. Sir, can you please -- are you
25 ready?

1 A. I'm sorry.

2 Q. Sir, can you please state your name?

3 A. Patrick Cantilo.

4 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I'm going to ask
5 Mr. Martin to put what was marked as the
6 proposed Exhibit 9 --

7 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor,
8 would you like a paper copy of this exhibit?

9 JUDGE LEAVITT: How many pages
10 is this?

11 MR. BROADBENT: It's just Mr.
12 Cantilo's CV.

13 JUDGE LEAVITT: Yeah, you can
14 give one to them. Could you check to make sure
15 his microphone is up.

16 Mr. Broadbent, do you have your
17 microphone all the way up? I think that is as
18 high as it will go. Thank you.

19 (Exhibit R1 was marked for
20 identification.)

21 BY MR. BROADBENT:

22 Q. Mr. Cantilo, do you see what was
23 previously marked as Rehabilitator's proposed
24 Exhibit 1 there on the screen?

25 A. I do.

1 Q. What is this document?

2 A. That is my Curriculum Vitae
3 originally.

4 Q. And it is true and correct as of the
5 date it was prepared?

6 A. It is.

7 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, we
8 would offer Mr. Cantilo's CV as Exhibit 1. And
9 I will pause here for a moment. Also, on the
10 remaining exhibits, Your Honor, we had spoken
11 with the parties and stipulated to the
12 admissibility of all exhibits offered by the
13 parties.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay.

15 MR. BROADBENT: Everyone has
16 agreed to that. We will make reference to
17 exhibits throughout that Mr. Cantilo's
18 testimony and the testimony of others without
19 introducing them, but they will be available on
20 the screen. And, of course, if there is
21 something we need to examine further, we will
22 do so.

23 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.

24 BY MR. BROADBENT:

25 Q. Mr. Cantilo, can you please tell the

1 Court about your initial involvement in SHIP?

2 A. I was contacted by the Pennsylvania
3 Insurance Department about SHIP sometime in
4 late 2017 and was engaged in early 2018 as
5 special RBC counsel to help the Department in
6 understanding the financial condition of the
7 company at that time.

8 Not long after that, we entered into
9 a written agreement with the company that
10 denominated me special representative of the
11 department, and I continue in that capacity.

12 Q. Can you just define briefly RBC for
13 the record?

14 A. I'm sorry, I'm having a hard time
15 hearing you, sir.

16 Q. Can you briefly define RBC for the
17 record?

18 A. Certainly. So insurance companies
19 like SHIP are required to report to the
20 regulators their risk-based capital, which is a
21 formula that applies certain risk components to
22 the capital held by the company and produces a
23 ratio of the capital the company actually has
24 to the total capital that it should have.

25 Q. I believe you testified that you

1 entered into some sort of agreement with the
2 department as a special representative?

3 A. Actually, that was an agreement with
4 SHIP. In lieu of placing SHIP in supervision
5 when the Department became concerned about its
6 financial condition, it entered into an
7 agreement, which I actually negotiated on
8 behalf of the department between SHIP and the
9 trustees who oversaw SHIP, and the main points
10 of the agreement were to constrain the ability
11 of the company to undertake certain types of
12 transactions without department approval, for
13 example, large possession of assets or large
14 insurance transactions, things of that nature.

15 And also to appoint me as special
16 representative and specify areas over which I
17 would have authority which, basically, would be
18 oversight of the company and prior approval by
19 me of any extraordinary transactions.

20 And it also imposed an additional
21 financial reporting requirement, some monthly
22 reporting and some quarterly reporting, beyond
23 what would normally be required statutorily.

24 Q. Are these, the limitations that you
25 were just describing, are those standard in a

1 supervision of this type?

2 A. Yes. The limitations were typical
3 of what you would find in an insurance
4 supervision order in which the Commissioner
5 appoints a supervisor, but does not go to court
6 to place the company in liquidation or
7 rehabilitation.

8 Q. Was the Department in control of
9 SHIP at this time?

10 A. No.

11 Q. What did you do as the Department's
12 representative?

13 A. My first role was to do what I could
14 to drill down to ascertain the true financial
15 condition, because members of the department
16 and I suspected, from information available to
17 us, that the statutorily filed annual
18 statements and quarterly statements understated
19 the company's reserve amounts and overstated
20 surplus.

21 So I spent a lot of time
22 communicating with management, outside counsel
23 and the trustees, requested a lot of
24 information from them, and the company was very
25 cooperative in providing that, provided some of

1 that information directly to the department,
2 some I analyzed myself and a lot of it was
3 analyzed by the Oliver Wyman firm, which were
4 our consulting actuaries, all with an aim to
5 better understand SHIP's true financial
6 condition.

7 In addition, there were a couple of
8 transactions in which the company had engaged
9 which were troublesome, and I worked with
10 management and the trustees to extricate the
11 company, to the extent possible, from those
12 transactions.

13 Q. You mentioned Oliver Wyman. Do you
14 recall with whom you worked at Oliver Wyman?

15 A. Yes. Initially, it was Marc
16 Lambright, who had been engaged by the
17 department previously as part of a special
18 investigation the Department was conducting of
19 SHIP, and that examination was focused on
20 actuarial assumptions.

21 Later, the Oliver Wyman team
22 expanded. Mr. Bodnar became involved, as well
23 as Lara Chikhani and Mr. Oliveira, and I think
24 there were other people involved but not as
25 intensely.

1 Q. How long did you remain in the
2 position of Department's representative for
3 SHIP?

4 A. From February 2018 until January
5 2020 when the company was placed in
6 rehabilitation and I was named as Special
7 Deputy Rehabilitator.

8 Q. I would like to turn to the history
9 of the company now. Can you just give a brief
10 summary of SHIP for the Court?

11 A. Certainly. And I have a slide that
12 we might put up that summarizes it. So as you
13 can see, the company is quite old. It was
14 formed in 1887 as the Home Beneficial Society.
15 And about a hundred years later, it started
16 selling long-term care insurance policies after
17 it became the American Travelers Insurance
18 Company.

19 In 1996, it was acquired by Consec
20 and became part of that group and was renamed
21 Consec Senior Health Insurance Company.

22 By 2003, SHIP had sold 645- or
23 646,000 long-term care policies around the
24 country, and it continued the sale of new
25 business as it realized that that business was

1 not profitable.

2 So it went into runoff in 2003,
3 still as a part of Conseco, and in 2008, in
4 discussions with the Department, by which I
5 mean the Pennsylvania Insurance Department,
6 Conseco spun off SHIP, it was renamed Senior
7 Health Insurance Company of Pennsylvania. It
8 became owned by a newly formed trust, the
9 Senior Health Care Oversight Trust, of which
10 there were five trustees, four of whom were
11 former insurance regulators and one who was a
12 consulting actuary.

13 From that date, early 2009 forward,
14 it was an independent company overseen by the
15 Trust and, in January of last year. It was
16 placed at rehabilitation.

17 There is a more detailed history of
18 the company which appears in the plan itself
19 and is on this next slide. That shows the
20 various transactions on which the company
21 engaged. The testimony I just summarized, I
22 think, is a good overview. That slide, as I
23 say, is Table 7 and the rehabilitation plan
24 itself.

25 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I just want to pause

1 for an administrative question. I see at the
2 bottom here, it says, source Rehabilitator's
3 proposed Exhibit 55. I think everyone knows
4 what that means. Can you just explain the
5 citations?

6 A. Certainly. So I would be using some
7 slides today, if the Court allows me to do
8 that, to illustrate my testimony. Except when
9 the slides are my own summary of events,
10 whenever they are actual documents, they are
11 part of or derived from exhibits. And for the
12 sake of clarity, at the bottom left on each
13 slide, I identify the exhibit or exhibits from
14 which the slide came.

15 So this one comes from the proposed
16 Exhibit 55, which is the Second Amended
17 Rehabilitation Plan.

18 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I believe you mentioned
19 certain trustees. Do you recall any of their
20 names?

21 A. So as shown on Slide 5, the trustees
22 were Julian Bower, who was former Massachusetts
23 Insurance Commissioner; Thomas Hampton, who was
24 a former District of Columbia Insurance
25 Commissioner; John Morrison, who was a former

1 Montana Insurance Commissioner, and Gregory
2 Serio, who was a former New York Superintendent
3 of Insurance, and Cecil Bykerk, who was life
4 and health insurance trustee.

5 These were the trustees at the time
6 I became involved in 2018, and they continued
7 in their tenure until January 2020 when the
8 company was placed in rehabilitation.

9 They had served for several years
10 before that, but there had been other
11 individuals who served as trustees before, in
12 some of these slots before that.

13 Q. Mr. Cantilo, how, if at all, has
14 SHIP been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic?

15 A. In a number of ways. Like most
16 other companies around the country, we began a
17 work from home regimen in March of last year.
18 We also ceased in-person visits to insureds and
19 caregivers and started doing qualifications for
20 benefits and monitoring of the benefits
21 virtually, remotely.

22 As far as the actuarial strength of
23 the company, over the few months since the
24 pandemic began, we experienced a moderate
25 increase in mortality, that is, more of our

1 insureds died than would otherwise have been
2 the case and terminations, that is, lapses of
3 the insurance policy because the policyholders
4 discontinued paying premium or because they
5 passed away.

6 I should specify with respect to
7 terminations that, in many states, the
8 insurance regulators imposed a hiatus on the
9 termination of policies for nonpayment of
10 premium. So insurers, including SHIP, could
11 not simply cancel the policies of people who
12 could not pay their premiums.

13 Those suspensions of the ability to
14 terminate policies have mostly gone away by now
15 and so there was a little bit of a buildup of
16 policyholders who had not been paying premium
17 for a while who were lapsed after that. Others
18 resumed paying premiums.

19 In addition to the improvement --
20 I'm sorry, to the increase in morbidity and
21 mortality, I should say, and in the
22 terminations, we experienced a little bit of an
23 increase in morbidity but, more importantly, we
24 experienced a reduction in the yield that the
25 company's invested assets were generating.

1 That is an industry-wide problem.
2 The broader capital markets have been depressed
3 as a result of the pandemic, and so the assets,
4 the money that SHIP invested in the capital
5 markets yielded less money than it had before
6 the pandemic.

7 All together, though, in the
8 aggregate, all of these effects that I have
9 just summarized are not material to the plan
10 itself and have had a relatively moderate
11 aggregate effect on the company's financial
12 condition.

13 It is ironic that an increase in
14 morbidity tends to be helpful to long-term care
15 insurers because insureds tend to pass away
16 before they can collect the benefits that were
17 expected, so the increase in morbidity, the
18 rate at which people became ill, was offset to
19 some degree by the increase in mortality.

20 Q. I just want to clarify, you
21 described the effects in the aggregate on the
22 plan. I'm not sure that I heard what your
23 answer was, but can you just tell us, were they
24 material or not material?

25 A. They are not material to the plan,

1 and they have not, in the aggregate, been
2 material to the SHIP.

3 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I
4 need to pause for what appears to be a
5 technical issue.

6 THE WITNESS: Yeah. It is not
7 on our end. Because my screen is showing the
8 slide.

9 JUDGE LEAVITT: It is on mine.
10 Not on that the one. I think the Court crier
11 went to get help.

12 MR. BROADBENT: Should we
13 proceed?

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: I think we can
15 continue.

16 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you,
17 Your Honor.

18 BY MR. BROADBENT:

19 Q. Mr. Cantilo, talking about the
20 company as a whole, how many insurance policies
21 does SHIP have in force, not just the LTC, all
22 policies?

23 A. Right now that is approximately
24 85,000 policies, of which more than half, about
25 45,000 are non-LTC policies and about 39,000

1 are LTC policies. The 45,000 that are not LTC
2 policies were transferred by reinsurance,
3 although not notated to Conseco at the time
4 that SHIP was spun off. So Conseco and their
5 subsidiaries administer those policies and pay
6 the expenses associated with the policies,
7 including the claims, and for that purpose,
8 established a Trust that we have been
9 monitoring throughout the history of the
10 independence of SHIP and which remains
11 adequately funded.

12 So although most of the policies
13 that SHIP has on the books are not LTC, in
14 reality, they don't consume SHIP resources.

15 The 39,000 policies that are
16 long-term care are fully the liability of SHIP.
17 SHIP does not have any reinsurance attached to
18 those policies.

19 And I do have a slide which, I
20 believe, is Slide 10 -- I'm sorry, it's up.
21 That just summarizes the history of the Trust I
22 mentioned so that we can see that it has been
23 fluctuating between 1 and 2 million -- I'm
24 sorry, one and a half and \$6 million over the
25 last few years, but all in the positive.

1 JUDGE LEAVITT: Excuse me,
2 Mr. Cantilo.

3 Ms. Gan, you see if we could get
4 some help because I think people who want to do
5 cross-examination are going to want to see
6 these.

7 Just so I'm clear, Mr. Cantilo,
8 we're talking today about 40,000, approximate,
9 long-term care policyholders?

10 THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor.
11 We have -- I think the last number I saw was
12 39,143, to be precise. But that changes every
13 day. It goes down every day, I should say.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: Yep.

15 BY MR. BROADBENT:

16 Q. While we're waiting for a slide, I
17 can ask a slideless question. Mr. Cantilo, you
18 just gave us a pretty detailed statistic, and I
19 believe the last slide gave detailed statistics
20 regarding SHIP's non-LTC business. How did you
21 come across these numbers personally?

22 A. They are in the records of the
23 company, and I also have that and Exhibit 55,
24 which is the second amended plan, that details
25 the non-LTC business and the Trust business

1 that I just described. So what's up there now,
2 slide 9 summarizes the non-LTC business for
3 which I say Conseco is responsible. So that
4 has not been an aspect of the rehabilitation.

5 Q. So Mr. Cantilo, I would like to
6 focus on the long-term care policies that are
7 the focus of the rehabilitation.

8 A. So, as I said, we have a bit over
9 39,000 of those out of the 645- or 646,000 that
10 have been sold over the years with LTC. About
11 53 percent of SHIP's current policyholders are
12 paying premium. The remaining 47 percent
13 either have already taken a non-forfeiture
14 option and do not pay premium or on premium
15 waiver of one sort or another.

16 SHIP policies provide three kinds of
17 premium waiver. There's a traditional claim
18 waiver so that, on many policies, once the
19 insured becomes ill and is qualified for
20 benefits, he or she does not have to pay
21 premium.

22 There may be a ninety-day waiting
23 period for some policies and others that are
24 right away, but so long as they continue
25 qualifying for benefits, they don't have to pay

1 premium, so that's what we call a claim waiver.

2 Then what we call spousal waiver or
3 dual waivers, those are waivers that allow the
4 spouse of a policyholder on a claim to suspend
5 premium payments so long as the spouse remains
6 on the claim.

7 And the third kind are lifetime
8 waivers, and those are waivers that are
9 triggered, typically, by longevity with the
10 company; after so many years of paying premium,
11 you become immune from future premium payments.

12 If you add all categories together,
13 plus the people who have taken the
14 non-forfeiture option -- as I said, about 47
15 percent of our policyholders are not paying
16 premiums today. Many of the policies at SHIP
17 are the most expensive in terms of liability,
18 they are the ones that have five percent
19 compound inflation, unlimited lifetime
20 benefits, the non-qualified triggers which
21 allow qualification for benefits more easily,
22 and short elimination periods.

23 The average age of our policyholder
24 now is about 86 and the ones on pay are 89
25 years old.

1 Q. For the sake of the record, I'm just
2 going to ask you to define a couple of things
3 that you mentioned in there.

4 A. Sure.

5 Q. You mentioned non-forfeiture option.
6 Can you explain what that is in the ordinary
7 course?

8 A. Sure. Long-term care insurance
9 policies, typically, have a feature that allows
10 a policyholder to discontinue paying premium
11 and receive continuing coverage that, in
12 general, consists of the value of all the
13 premiums paid in, less all the claims paid by
14 the company, over the life of the policy.

15 Those, we sometimes call those
16 reduced paid-up policies. So those policies
17 are, typically, very modest in benefits because
18 the amount of money I just described doesn't
19 provide for a whole lot of benefit, but it's
20 better than getting nothing.

21 So insureds that realize they are
22 not able to afford paying premium anymore can
23 request to NFO. Some policy forms require it,
24 some don't. Some states require NFOs as an
25 option and some don't, but SHIP universally

1 makes them available to policyholders who
2 prefer it.

3 Q. Mr. Cantilo, on the slide here,
4 there is five percent compound inflation
5 riders. Can you explain what an inflation
6 rider is, please?

7 A. Certainly. For many of the policies
8 sold, especially in the late '70s and '80s and
9 '90s, one of the features that a policyholder
10 could select and for which, typically, a
11 separate premium was paid was that the maximum
12 daily benefit, that is, the amount the company
13 would have to pay every day for care that
14 qualified under the policy, would be increased
15 annually by a stated inflation percentage.

16 For some policies, that was a simple
17 interest calculation, and for others it was
18 compounded. So that in Year 2, the increase
19 was applied to the previously increased amount
20 at the end of Year 1.

21 The most generous of those benefits
22 were the five percent inflation, which, in the
23 LTC industry, is kind of the worst of the bad
24 boys. So it's five percent compounded annually
25 and frequently results in a policy that started

1 paying \$100 a day in maximum daily benefit when
2 it was issued, now having \$650 a day in
3 available benefits.

4 And complicating the problem is the
5 fact that a lot of SHIP's policies are what are
6 called indemnification rather than
7 reimbursement policies.

8 Reimbursement policies require SHIP
9 to reimburse the policyholder, as the name
10 suggests, for the actual cost of care. For an
11 average nursing home, that might be \$350 or
12 \$400 a day.

13 An indemnification policy requires
14 SHIP to pay a maximum daily benefit no matter
15 what the cost of care is. So if you can
16 imagine a policy on which the maximum daily
17 benefit has been inflated to \$650, and the
18 average cost of care is \$350, that policyholder
19 would then qualify for benefits as getting
20 additional \$300 that is not required for the
21 payment of care.

22 That is a feature that looks a
23 little bit like a disability policy. And that
24 is a big contributor to our overall deficit at
25 SHIP. We lost the exhibit again.

1 Q. I did have one more slideless
2 question, which will hopefully carry us to the
3 projector working, which was, can you also
4 define please elimination period?

5 A. Yes. Elimination period is a
6 feature of long-term care policies that looks a
7 little bit like a waiting period, or it is a
8 little bit different. A policyholder has to
9 qualify for benefits for the specified number
10 of days. The most common is 90, but there are
11 policies that have elimination periods as long
12 as a year. And during that period, the
13 policyholder has to actually receive the care
14 and pay for the care, and after that period is
15 expired, then the policy instructs further
16 care.

17 For a policy to be tax qualified,
18 that is, under the Internal Revenue Code to
19 favorable tax treatment, the waiting period --
20 sorry, the elimination period has to be at
21 least ninety days.

22 Q. So returning to the LTC business as
23 a whole, in what states does SHIP have LTC
24 business in force?

25 A. Now, it has business pretty much

1 everywhere. It was authorized to sell business
2 in all but four states. The 39,000 policies in
3 force, as we can see on Slide 12, the majority
4 were issued in five states, with Texas leading
5 the charge, Florida being the second. Then
6 Pennsylvania was the third in terms of volume,
7 followed by California and Illinois.

8 So those five states have the
9 majority of SHIP's business in force.

10 Even though there are states in
11 which the company was not qualified, like
12 Connecticut, policyholders whose policies were
13 issued in other states have moved to
14 Connecticut since then, so we have business
15 pretty much in every state.

16 Q. The total approximate 40,000
17 policies, are all of those policies in the same
18 status with respect to being on claim or being
19 on waiver?

20 A. No. In Slide 13, I provide a
21 summary of their status. So we can see that
22 the largest segment is policyholders that are
23 paying their premium and not on claim. Those
24 are the ones you want to have if you are a
25 long-term care insurer.

1 The next largest category is the
2 policyholders who are still not on claim but
3 have taken a non-forfeiture option at some
4 point in the past. So those individuals are
5 not paying premium, but they are not on claim.

6 Then we have the group of
7 policyholders who are not on claim but have
8 premium waiver. Typically, that would be
9 either a spousal waiver or a lifetime waiver.

10 And then we have a fair number of
11 policyholders who are on claim and are not
12 paying premium, and then some policyholders on
13 claim who are paying premium.

14 So not every policy has a premium
15 waiver and, as you can see on that slide, we
16 have 914 policyholders who are on claim but
17 still required to pay a premium.

18 The last is NFOs who are on claim.

19 Q. How much premium are the
20 policyholders paying to --

21 A. It varies. On Slide 14, we provide
22 a breakout of those premiums. That comes from
23 Exhibit 33 or, I should say, proposed Exhibit
24 33. As you can see all the way on the left,
25 the majority, the largest group of

1 policyholders at 47 percent are not paying
2 premium, and those are the ones I described a
3 little bit earlier.

4 The category of policyholders paying
5 premium between \$1,000 and \$2,500 is the next
6 largest group, and about 22 percent or so of
7 the policyholders are paying more than \$2,500 a
8 year in premium.

9 So we have some policyholders paying
10 very high premiums, but the majority are paying
11 less than \$2,500 or no premium at all.

12 Q. Can you tell the Court a little bit
13 about the demographics of the policyholders?

14 A. Certainly. As is typical in
15 long-term care and life insurance companies,
16 the group is predominantly female. As time
17 passes, that skews more that way. So for SHIP,
18 it is even more skewed than it was Penn Treaty,
19 with 71 percent of our policyholders being
20 female. The majority are in their 80s and 90s.
21 We do have some policyholders in their 70s and
22 60s, and a few are a hundred.

23 The policies that we have in force,
24 about 70 percent of them provide comprehensive
25 coverage, meaning that they cover both home

1 health care and facility care, facility care
2 being either nursing home or assisted living
3 facility. And about 17 percent provide only
4 nursing home coverage and 13 percent home
5 health care only.

6 As I show on the right side of the
7 slide, we have 47 percent of policies in force
8 with inflation protection, that's a pretty high
9 number.

10 Q. Do each of SHIP's policies provide
11 for the same benefit period?

12 A. No. The majority of our policies,
13 we have a large number that are -- our lifetime
14 benefit is shown on Slide 17, all the way to
15 the right, but the majority of our policies
16 provide between one and four years in benefits.

17 Q. How is that time period determined?

18 A. The policy itself specifies for how
19 long you qualify for benefits, so from the
20 moment you go on claim, you start running the
21 clock. If your policy has a four-year benefit
22 period, that clock runs, and then when you stop
23 being on the claim, the clock stops.

24 There are some policies that have
25 restoration of benefits provisions, and which

1 if you're off claim long enough, it goes back
2 to the beginning. So you have a four-year
3 benefit period and you're off claim for six
4 months after being on claim for two years, it
5 goes back to four years. Otherwise, every
6 period of claim reduces that benefit period.
7 The lifetime benefit policies, there is no
8 limit on the benefit period so you can be on
9 claim for four hundred years if you're unlucky
10 enough to live that long.

11 Q. Mr. Cantilo, you said there was
12 maybe 646,000 policies sold and 39,000 in
13 force. Can you spend a little more time in the
14 detail of the history of those policies?

15 A. Certainly. So the company might
16 peak just a few years before it stops selling
17 business in the 1990s, when it had over 300,000
18 policies in force. As you can see on the curve
19 on Slide 18, it then began a decline. In 2003,
20 it stopped selling new business, so that
21 decline steepened a little bit.

22 By the time the company was spun off
23 in 2009, there were about 130,000 policies in
24 force. And as I stated, by now, we are at
25 about 39,000 and you can see that we are

1 projecting that curve to flatten a little bit
2 as the number starts to diminish more rapidly
3 in the next few years and then diminish slowly
4 after that.

5 Q. What is the current trend with
6 respect to the claims of the company?

7 A. Well, because the number of policies
8 in force has declined so rapidly, so has the
9 volume of claims. That's typical in a block of
10 this nature. So on Slide 19 we see the
11 projection through the end of last year. You
12 can see, other than for some peaks and valleys,
13 the general trend back from 2015 to 2019 has
14 been a rapid decline in claims.

15 That has been the period after the
16 company was spun off. Of course it has not
17 been selling any new business in the last 18
18 years.

19 Q. How does the trend in claims compare
20 to the trend in premiums?

21 A. Well, that's not a good picture. So
22 the orange curve on Slide 20 is the projection
23 of claims paid in the aggregate. The blue or,
24 rather, green curve is the projection of
25 premiums paid in the aggregate.

1 So you can see that we are now at
2 the point at which the volume of claims is
3 outpacing the premium that the company is
4 collecting, and what's more troublesome for us
5 is that of the total premium that SHIP is
6 expected to collect from the expiration of the
7 policies in force, which is about \$7.4 billion,
8 we have already collected 7.1 billion. We only
9 have about \$300 million in premium we expect to
10 collect.

11 On the other hand, we expect total
12 claims to be paid during that period of,
13 approximately, \$11 billion, of which we have
14 only paid about \$7.7 billion so far. So we
15 expect to be paying another \$3 billion in
16 claims or so in the absence of a plan, but only
17 collecting \$300 million in premium.

18 This is not atypical. Long-term
19 care insurers expect to collect a lot of
20 premium upfront, invest that money, put it
21 aside, and then when the curve starts rising on
22 the claim side -- because policyholders might
23 be applying for benefits, and clearly you have
24 a big part of money set aside from previously
25 collected and invested premium.

1 Unfortunately, when you stop selling
2 new business, as SHIP did 18 years ago, the
3 premium curve starts flattening and the claim
4 curve starts rising. And in the case of SHIP,
5 the investment income has been much lower than
6 anticipated, for reasons I will explain a
7 little bit later on.

8 But as I said, right now the picture
9 is a little bit grim because we are going to be
10 paying ten times as much in claims as we are
11 collecting in premium.

12 Q. What portion of SHIP's policyholders
13 for LTC are on claim?

14 A. I think we are about 13 percent
15 right now, which is a little bit above the
16 industry average. But as you can see on Slide
17 21, which is also part of Exhibit 33, that
18 curve is also expected to continue, so that by
19 the time the block runs off, we are probably
20 going to be about one in three policyholders on
21 claim.

22 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I'm going to turn to
23 the current financial condition of SHIP. Can
24 you describe it for me, please?

25 A. Sure. If we can put up Slide 20 --

1 I'm sorry, 23. That table, which also appears
2 on Exhibits 31 and Exhibit 55, which are two
3 versions of the plan, summarizes the financial
4 history of SHIP for the last 11 years, and you
5 can see that back in 2009, shortly after it was
6 spun off, it had reportedly serviced 193
7 million, run out before 2019 with a deficit and
8 for 2020 that has gone up about 300 million to
9 a deficit of 1.2 billion. It has been a steady
10 decline, as you can see on this table, and I
11 think the larger drop from 2014 to 2015, maybe
12 even the one from 2013 to 2014, led the company
13 to become a lot more concerned.

14 They started that special
15 examination for 2016. By the time those
16 numbers came in in 2017, you can see the
17 company had halved its surplus from 55 million
18 to 28 million.

19 And then that was cut in half again
20 for the 2017 annual statement, which is
21 actually filed in March of 2018, about the time
22 I was involved. So it's been a little bit of a
23 grim picture.

24 Slide 23 -- I'm sorry, 24 has more
25 updated information. That actually has the

1 detailed numbers from last year, and you can
2 see that now, we are at a little bit under \$1.4
3 billion in assets with about \$2.6 billion in
4 liabilities, creating the \$1.2 billion deficit
5 that I described earlier.

6 That deficit has probably stabilized
7 a little bit. It's even possible it's a little
8 bit lower by the end of 2021 or projected to be
9 a little bit lower by the end of 2021 than it
10 is now, but either way, it's not going to be
11 material to the plan.

12 On the next slide, Slide 25, I
13 actually have a graph that is part of Exhibit
14 36, or proposed Exhibit 36, I should say, that
15 tracks the relationship between assets and
16 liabilities over the same 11-year period, and
17 you can see how that relationship has grown,
18 the gap has grown between the two.

19 And on the next slide, 26, you can
20 see how the company's capital and surplus has
21 dropped.

22 Now, these are reported numbers, and
23 I emphasize that, Your Honor, because I don't
24 want the Court to misinterpret my testimony as
25 saying that we believe that the reported

1 surplus of 2009 or even 2016 is accurate.
2 That's just a number the company was reporting.

3 It wasn't until 2017 that we have
4 material influence in the way in which the
5 company was reporting its financial condition.
6 And by 2018, as I will explain in a few
7 minutes, they have made some adjustments we
8 requested, and that's why you saw the company
9 go from a \$12 million surplus to a half a
10 billion dollar deficit in that one-year period.

11 Q. Mr. Cantilo, let's dig into the
12 causes of the insolvency that SHIP faces. Can
13 you summarize how we got here?

14 A. There are a number of factors. I
15 think the most important factor in terms of
16 volume is what we believe to be erroneous
17 actuarial assumptions made when the policies
18 were first issued and as reserves were
19 calculated in the ensuing years.

20 The key actuarial assumptions to
21 which I am referring are morbidity, the rate at
22 which people become ill and require care,
23 morbidity improvement, the rate at which they
24 become healthier so they need less care, rate
25 of mortality, how many people died in a given

1 year, and the rate of which policies terminate
2 for any of a number of reasons.

3 So we suspect and have confirmed
4 that the company was operating on understated
5 morbidity assumptions, that is, they
6 underestimated how many people would become ill
7 and qualify for benefits. They overestimated
8 how quickly people would become healthier and
9 stop needing as much care. That's what the
10 industry calls morbidity improvement. They
11 overstated mortality which, as I say,
12 ironically, mortality rates help the company
13 because they remove insureds from the pool of
14 people who can get benefits. They assume more
15 people would die than actually died. And then
16 they overstated or overestimated a number of
17 policies that would lapse because of death or
18 non-payment of premium.

19 Apart from the problems with the
20 actuarial assumptions, of which I'm sure we
21 will return, the company has had a pretty poor
22 history with its investments. The problems are
23 primarily in two categories. The broader
24 capital markets have seen dramatic drops in
25 yields from the time these policies were first

1 sold in the '70s and '80s to today, and, in
2 addition, the company has made some unfortunate
3 investment decisions that have also removed
4 some capital from the picture.

5 There was a concern that the
6 company's operating costs were also high, and
7 we made some efforts working with management to
8 reduce those operating costs. So although they
9 were a factor, I would not say that those were
10 a major factor.

11 And then the last big component,
12 which, again, is common in the industry, is
13 that when SHIP management realized that its
14 premium rates were too low because of the
15 understated or misstated actuarial assumptions
16 and attempted to increase its premium rates, it
17 received mixed responses from regulators around
18 the company with twin bad effects of, A, not
19 getting enough additional rate to help with the
20 problems, and, B, creating a hopscotch of very
21 different rates across the country so that two
22 policyholders of similar characteristics with
23 similar coverage, with policies issued in
24 different states, might be paying widely
25 different premiums, sometimes a factor of four

1 or five times the premium, just because
2 different states reacted to rate requests in a
3 different manner.

4 Q. So Mr. Cantilo, let's focus on
5 certain of these causes of deterioration, the
6 assumption. How big a problem were the
7 actuarial assumption errors you described?

8 A. We have a slide, slide 29, in which
9 we have aggregated what we think is the impact
10 of just the actuarial assumptions and, as you
11 can see, we projected it through 2040, which is
12 when we think most of the block will have run
13 off, and as of that date, we expect that the
14 aggregate effect of these assumptions beginning
15 only in 2012 is about the size of our deficit,
16 \$1.2 billion. We have not gone back to project
17 the effect of the assumption before 2012.

18 Q. I think the next item on your list
19 referred to investment performance projections.

20 A. Right. So SHIP, like everyone else
21 investing in the American market, has
22 experienced lower yields from its invested
23 assets. If you look at Table 30, that -- those
24 two graphs which come from Exhibit 40 are the
25 United States Treasury bond curves for the

1 period in question.

2 So the red bracket at the top is the
3 period during which SHIP was selling long-term
4 care policies. You can see at the beginning of
5 that period, market interest rates were above
6 13 percent. It would not have been unusual or
7 inappropriate for a SHIP actuary to project
8 those kinds of investment rates for its
9 invested premium. But you can see that the
10 picture has been pretty disappointing since
11 then. These are U.S. Treasuries. SHIP, like
12 most insurers, invests in corporate bonds and
13 is spread, usually treasury and corporate,
14 between one and two points. That spread varies
15 a lot with changes in the market, but what I am
16 showing you is a picture of treasury. What
17 SHIP was looking at when it sold those policies
18 was a picture for corporate, which would have
19 been, as I said, one or two points higher at
20 least.

21 So even if you take that, and maybe
22 we can go to the next slide, you take a very
23 conservative estimate of this and assume that
24 you are planning on seven percent interest
25 rate, seven percent yield, what that table, and

1 lost capital. And there were reasons for those
2 exercises, one we call the Beechwood program
3 and the other Roebeling Re, were efforts to
4 improve the yield on invested assets.

5 Q. How did SHIP's operating costs
6 compare to other companies?

7 A. As I mentioned a bit earlier, they
8 were higher. Of course, costs are a little bit
9 of landscape. Companies that are very well
10 capitalized can afford to have higher operating
11 costs than others. But for a company in SHIP's
12 condition, which is a runoff vehicle, the costs
13 of accounting became very high, but we have
14 been successful, and Mr. Robinson, the Chief
15 Rehabilitation Officer, continues to be
16 successful in sharpening the pencil and
17 reducing those operating costs.

18 Q. Just two clarification questions.
19 First, how do you know how SHIP's operating
20 costs compare to other companies?

21 A. There is actually a lot of data
22 available in the public, but I am also familiar
23 with that subject from my time working on the
24 Penn Treaty efforts, when we looked at market
25 rehabilitation costs and availability of

1 that's the table I created, what that table
2 shows is the drop in interest rate is very
3 expensive.

4 On a \$1 billion investment, that
5 dropped from seven percent to three percent.
6 That is a four point drop over a 20-year period
7 will cost you over \$2 billion in income on a \$1
8 billion investment. SHIP was investing about
9 \$3 million at that time in excess.

10 So just a drop in market rate was
11 devastating to SHIP and all other insurers that
12 had progressive products.

13 Q. Let's focus on SHIP specifically.
14 Were there any investment problems that arose
15 for SHIP as opposed to other insurers?

16 A. Certainly. SHIP management, and by
17 the management of another -- I'm sorry, my mic
18 is cutting out on me -- made efforts to improve
19 its yield to counter the impacts of the broader
20 economy. Most of us know that that is usually
21 a fairly frustrating exercise and was not any
22 less so for SHIP.

23 They invested in two programs and,
24 at the end of the day, we think might have cost
25 the company between 150 and \$300 million in

1 vendors to provide administrative services to
2 insurance company.

3 Q. You mentioned Mr. Robinson. Can you
4 just give his full name and describe, again,
5 his title and duties?

6 A. He is here so I am going to have to
7 -- I'm talking about Robert Robinson, who was
8 both the Chief Rehabilitation Officer for SHIP
9 and the Chief Rehabilitation Officer for Penn
10 Treaty.

11 Q. We have talked, Mr. Cantilo, about
12 an inability to increase premiums. Can you
13 explain that a little further?

14 A. Yes. So SHIP, like all long-term
15 care insurers, is required to obtain the
16 approval of the regulator in the state in which
17 a policy is issued before raising the rates for
18 those policies.

19 So on Slide 32, we have a graph
20 showing the actual premium rates that SHIP
21 charged from 2009 to 2020. On the next slide,
22 Slide 33, I show what that would have been if
23 the company had been successful in charging at
24 least a new premium during that period.

25 The next slide shows graphically

1 what that difference is. One of the aims of
2 the plan is to eliminate that gap and bring all
3 of our rates, as much as possible, to the if
4 Knew level. But even if we are successful in
5 doing that, just that gap during the period of
6 time covered by this graph is about \$300
7 million.

8 Q. Mr. Cantilo, we are going to spend
9 some time, I expect, focused on this Knew
10 Premium, but can you give the short explanation
11 as to what that means?

12 A. Certainly. If Knew Premium is rate
13 methodology which assumes that the current
14 premium is what a company would be charging at
15 this point in time, if it had known from the
16 time that it issued the policy, how the
17 liability would evolve over the ensuing years.
18 Typically, when you sell a long-term care
19 insurance policy, you are required to assume a
20 specified loss ratio, generally between 60 and
21 65 percent, which is to say the regulators will
22 only approve the rate if you are going to
23 devote at least that much to payment of
24 benefits rather than profit or something else.

25 So the If Knew methodology that we

1 use assumes a 60 percent loss ratio from
2 inception to the current point. And, as I
3 said, it assumes that the company will have
4 been pricing that way all the way through, and
5 the term is what the premium rate would be
6 today.

7 That methodology is widely in use
8 around the country. It is a methodology that a
9 lot of insurance departments use to analyze
10 increased applications.

11 It's also very similar to the
12 methodology that the guaranty associations used
13 in getting rate increases after Penn Treaty
14 which was placed on liquidation.

15 The methodology we used does not
16 have a component for the recoupment of past
17 uncollected premium. There are variations to
18 the methodology called the Texas and Minnesota
19 approaches, which also add a component for
20 recouping past uncollected premiums.

21 We haven't done that for two
22 reasons. One is it would make the rates rise
23 even higher and be more burdensome to our
24 policyholders but, more importantly, it would
25 cause our remaining 39,000 policyholders or,

1 actually, 20,000 or so paying premium to have
2 to make up premiums that policyholders no
3 longer in the company should have paid years
4 ago, and that didn't seem very equitable.

5 Q. Thank you. Turning back to Slide
6 34, do you know whether, between '09 and 2020,
7 SHIP became aware that its rates were too low?

8 A. Yes. SHIP --

9 Q. When was that?

10 A. Well, early in that decade, SHIP
11 started sending rate applications to the
12 various states, bearing in mind that SHIP had
13 been spun off from Conseco, so it was now an
14 independent company, it filed an application in
15 2010, 2011, 2012 around the country for various
16 products.

17 Q. Let's turn to the 2010 requests.

18 A. As we can see on Slide 35, in 2012,
19 the company filed about 429 requests, of which
20 58 percent were approved, 26 percent were
21 partly approved, and 16 percent were rejected.

22 Then if we look at the next slide,
23 you will see a similar picture for 2011, that
24 the renewal rate went down to 39 percent, the
25 partly approved rate went to 35 percent, and

1 the percentage of resulting in no increase went
2 down from 26 to 10 percent.

3 My next slide shows the same
4 experience for 2012 with, again, the majority
5 being approved at three percent and then we
6 have 35 percent partly approved at 22 percent
7 that resulted in no increase.

8 Then in 2013, as shown on the next
9 slide, inexplicably, the company concluded that
10 it was doing great and didn't need any more
11 rate increases, and so it stopped filing for
12 rate increases. It didn't start again until
13 2016.

14 And then if we look at Slide 39 and
15 Slide 40, we see the experience for some of the
16 company's policies, and this is a particular
17 block, this is the block of policies that have
18 compound inflation for life. And you see the
19 same kind of sparse approval of the rate
20 increase, only 31 percent were fully approved,
21 33 percent were partly approved, 13 percent
22 were approved but spread over several years,
23 and then 23 percent, again, resulted in no
24 increase at all.

25 On Slide 40 we have the experience

1 for a different group -- I'm sorry, for the
 2 same group for a different time period. It is,
 3 again, comparable experience, although now you
 4 can see the municipal rate went up 49 percent.
 5 That is a much smaller -- not to belabor too
 6 much, Slide 41 and 42, I show a different
 7 policy. These are the policies that have zero
 8 elimination period. These are troublesome for
 9 insurers because it is much easier to start
 10 collecting money when you don't have to pay out
 11 of your pocket for 90 days or 120 days.

12 So the industry walked away from the
 13 that. But SHIP tried to get ready for these
 14 two, and as you can see from the 2018 to 2020,
 15 five percent of those were rejected.

16 There is a little bit of psychology
 17 that sometimes hurts troubled insurers that are
 18 regulators, and this is based on my experience
 19 that regulators around the country who fear
 20 that the insurers that making the rate increase
 21 request is going to end up in rehabilitation or
 22 liquidation, and if that's the case, why have
 23 rate increase, and I think that accounts for
 24 the high rejection rate for the 2018 to 2020
 25 period.

1 This is troublesome in at least two
 2 ways. One, of course, is, it provides less
 3 revenue to offset expenses. But more
 4 importantly, as I said earlier, it creates a
 5 kind of discriminatory or inequitable rate
 6 structure that has been the focus of a lot of
 7 criticism in the regulatory community.

8 So you have regulators in states,
 9 and I'm not saying they, specifically, do this
 10 because I want -- if you were in a state like
 11 Illinois, which tends to approve a lot of the
 12 rate increase requests, and you look at a state
 13 like Florida, which does not, you, as an NLR
 14 regulator, would become concerned that your
 15 policyholders are subsidizing the Florida
 16 policyholders.

17 And, unfortunately, one of the
 18 side-effects of that is that regulators who
 19 normally would be inclined to approve rate
 20 requests are more hesitant to do so because
 21 they think the money they are approving will go
 22 to offset the unwillingness of other regulators
 23 to approve rate requests.

24 That is a very big problem and one
 25 of the major targets of our rehabilitation

1 Slide 43, I summarize a lot of
 2 experience in the same slide, and as you can
 3 see, the projection rates, which are the third
 4 line down, are pretty high during this period.
 5 This goes between 2016 and 2020.

6 And then even more indicative is
 7 Slide 44, where I have compiled all the
 8 information for all the states over the entire
 9 period, and that there are several things
 10 important about this data, and maybe it's
 11 easier if I show it in bar chart form, so we
 12 can go to Slide 45.

13 That slide, in each column, shows
 14 the percentage of requested rate increases that
 15 were approved over that period of time by each
 16 of the states. There are four states in which
 17 the company was not authorized to sell policies
 18 and, therefore, no rate increases were sought
 19 from those states.

20 But the others, you can see that
 21 there is a wide variance. For example,
 22 Florida, which is one of our largest states,
 23 has around ten percent approval rate, whereas
 24 other states, like Alabama and Alaska, have
 25 almost a hundred percent approval rate.

1 plan. And the use of If Knew agreements, as I
 2 will explain in a few minutes, is intended to
 3 put everyone on a level playing field going
 4 forward.

5 Q. The last few minutes you talked a
 6 lot about what regulators do or do not do or
 7 factors that may impact their thinking. How
 8 did you come by the understanding to which you
 9 just testified?

10 A. Well, I have been, for a long time,
 11 very active in the deliberations of the
 12 National Association of Insurance
 13 Commissioners, including groups working on
 14 long-term care issues, so I have a lot of
 15 personal discussions with regulators around the
 16 country about these issues.

17 Q. When SHIP collects its premium, what
 18 happens to those assets?

19 A. So SHIP, like most insurance
 20 companies, has a general pool of assets into
 21 which they deposit all of their premiums and
 22 all their investment income from which they
 23 collect and which they take all of their
 24 expenses and all of their claim payments.

25 So a dollar that I may pay as a

1 policyholder will be combined with the \$2 you
2 will pay as a policyholder and the \$3
3 Mr. Robinson will pay as a policyholder and
4 that entire pool will become available to any
5 part of our claims.

6 That means that when Florida only
7 approves nine percent of the requested rate
8 increase, it is making a much smaller
9 contribution to that pool of assets than, say,
10 Illinois, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Texas, one of
11 the states that tends to get a lot of rate
12 increase approvals.

13 The effect of not approving rate
14 increases, in essence, is to -- not overtly,
15 but inherently require other states to
16 subsidize the policies issued in your state.

17 And I have illustrated that since
18 they are in the room with us today, with our
19 experience with Maine, Massachusetts and
20 Washington. So if we look at Slide 47, that is
21 an illustration of rate increases sought in
22 Massachusetts, which generally has been
23 favorable to SHIP in approving rate increases.

24 So as you can see, 90 percent of the
25 rate increases sought by SHIP in Massachusetts

1 were approved, but ten percent were not. So
2 for those claims, SHIP is going to have to find
3 money from money collected from other states.

4 If we look at Slide 48, this is the
5 same picture, but for the State of Washington,
6 and here you see that Washington has rejected
7 37 percent of the applications, requiring that
8 someone else step up for that 37 percent of the
9 liability for the Washington-issued policies.

10 And then on the next slide, it will
11 show you the experience for Maine, which is a
12 smaller amount of policies but a really
13 disappointing picture with which 89 percent of
14 the approvals requested have been rejected, so
15 that 89 percent of the burden has to be shifted
16 to other states.

17 On Slide 50, I have aggregated that
18 data for all the states and you can see that,
19 over the period that we have been looking at,
20 2009 to 2019, the aggregate amount of rate
21 increases that we have -- that SHIP has sought,
22 I should say SHIP because I wasn't there at the
23 time, has resulted in 312 million of that being
24 rejected. That is \$312 million that management
25 thought they needed to pay the liability of

1 these policies that they did not collect.

2 If you add interest to that, and I
3 don't mean projected interest, interest just
4 for the period involved, that becomes \$371
5 million, as you see on the next slide.

6 That is a big problem for SHIP, as
7 it is for most long-term care companies.

8 Q. Mr. Cantilo, we looked at three
9 charts of this type, and I just want to -- I
10 want to understand, how were these charts
11 prepared, where did the data come from?

12 A. So these were prepared by our
13 consulting expert Oliver Wyman, from data that
14 we have, in Seriatim, identified that has been
15 available to all the parties from inception --
16 I shouldn't say inception, but quite some time.
17 The Seriatim data file has a line that contains
18 360 fields of information for every
19 policyholder. So it allows you to look at
20 everything, including the rate increase history
21 for every policy in force. And at my request,
22 Oliver Wyman extricated from those tables this
23 data to show me the experience of these three
24 states.

25 I could have done that for any other

1 state but they are not in the room, so I
2 thought it would be more appropriate to do it
3 for the states in the room.

4 Q. Earlier you started to testify in a
5 general way about the Department, the
6 Pennsylvania Insurance Department's involvement
7 with SHIP before the rehabilitation application
8 was filed.

9 Can you describe those actions?

10 A. Sure. On Slides 53 and 54, I have
11 kind of a sequence of those events. Starting
12 with Slide 53, this is before I became
13 involved, I kind of became familiar as part of
14 my involvement, the company -- the annual
15 statement for 2016 was filed in March 2017, and
16 a review of that statement resulted in more
17 intense concern by the department about the
18 company's financial condition.

19 The Department believed, and I think
20 we have since corroborated or confirmed, that
21 SHIP had been engaging in optimistic cash flow
22 testing assumptions, and that the claims
23 experienced in the company had been experienced
24 -- had been having was inconsistent with those
25 assumptions.

1 They also appear to be approaching
2 inadequate claim reserves and have been
3 apparently doing that for a few years, and the
4 Department became aware of the Beechwood
5 investments, which is one of the two programs I
6 mentioned earlier, that the Department
7 suspected were much riskier than the cash flow
8 testing reports that the company indicated.

9 So the Department recommended to the
10 company, and was assisted in doing so by the
11 Oliver Wyman team that, in devising its
12 morbidity improvement assumptions use more
13 recent experience to develop morbidity and
14 determination on assumptions, and develop
15 alternative assumptions for a slower reserves
16 resulting in a substantial decline in the
17 surplus, as I say there, of \$700 million.

18 To these recommendations, SHIP's
19 general expense was, well, we're actually
20 pretty good the way we are, we don't think we
21 need to do all that. That dialogue continued
22 until 2018, when I was appointed the special
23 representative, at which point I was able to
24 exercise a little bit more influence on
25 management, and that resulted in the

1 restatement that I mentioned earlier in 2018.

2 And a lot of that was a result of
3 the work done by the department and Mr.
4 Lambright before in scrutinizing those
5 assumptions. So by the time we got to 2018,
6 the company had to record a \$374 million
7 premium deficiency that it had not recognized
8 before, and had to recognize an additional \$44
9 million in liabilities to the claim reserve
10 that it had not realized, and then \$176 million
11 in losses on the Beechwood investment program.

12 And those are the major drivers of
13 that nearly half billion deficit that the
14 company reported for that year.

15 We continued our focus on the
16 actuarial assumptions, and those were revised
17 more in the next year, so about 2019, the
18 deficit doubled as a result of revisions of
19 those assumptions. As shown on that Slide 55,
20 that resulted in an additional \$400 million
21 liability -- rather, deficit, recognizing the
22 statement.

23 Unfortunately, management and the
24 regulators all recognized that simply seeking
25 rate increases wasn't going to help SHIP

1 because there is such a short premium runway
2 left that is, as I said earlier, the average
3 age of our policyholders is 86, they don't have
4 that many premium paying years ahead of them,
5 unfortunately, so other measures would have to
6 be implemented to improve the company's
7 financial condition.

8 And on the strength of these
9 findings in 2018, we requested that the company
10 prepare what is called a corrective action plan
11 or sometimes called an RBC plan, which is a
12 plan to restore the company to adequate capital
13 and surplus level.

14 Management, in the event, turned out
15 to be unable to do that so, as we now know,
16 next year we asked the company be placed in
17 rehabilitation, so January 29 of last year.

18 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I just wanted to bring
19 us back to Slide 23. Just if you could take
20 some of what you have been discussing, when did
21 you become involved with SHIP?

22 A. In 2018.

23 Q. And at that point, had SHIP already
24 reported a deficit of \$466 million?

25 A. No. That annual statement was due

1 to be filed in March, and I started working
2 with management in January and February --

3 Q. When you started working with
4 management --

5 A. -- to make sure that their annual
6 statement reflected proper reserve estimate.

7 Q. Did you have concern that the
8 reserve estimate was incorrect?

9 A. I had concern even about the '17
10 annual statement. But for 2017, the company
11 had pushed hard to get what's called a
12 permitted practice from the Pennsylvania
13 Insurance Department, and that is a
14 dispensation from some of the reporting rules
15 that -- the permitted practice they requested
16 had to do with the maintenance reserve that the
17 company was required to book for 2017, for
18 SHIP, that was \$192 million. And that's
19 primarily a provision for fluctuating interest
20 rates in the company's investments.

21 SHIP opined to the department since
22 it wasn't selling new business, it really
23 shouldn't have to comply with that. It also
24 noted that property and casualty insurers don't
25 have to post an INR and asked whether it could

1 be allowed to be converted to a property
2 casualty insurer so it wouldn't have to do
3 that.

4 In any event, the Department allowed
5 SHIP to take \$190 million reserve into surplus,
6 but to do that, the company had to recognize a
7 deficiency reserve when the effect that the net
8 increase in surplus from eliminating the
9 interest reserve was actually \$70 million.

10 So when I looked at the \$13 million
11 reported surplus for 2017, as shown on Table
12 23, I also knew that had it not been for the
13 special permitted practice on the INR, that
14 would have been a \$50 million deficit in 2017.

15 And then as I summarized earlier,
16 working with the actuary and management, we
17 induced SHIP to recognize the deficiency
18 reserve the next year. And so 2018, the
19 company, not very cheerily, but the company
20 agreed to recognize the \$467 million deficit.

21 And we continued working with the
22 management after that time to further drill
23 down on the actuarial assumptions. One on
24 which there was a lot of back and forth had to
25 do with morbidity improvement. The consulting

1 actuaries for SHIP management reported that its
2 insured population would experience 1.6 percent
3 improvement in morbidity year to year for the
4 next -- well, initially, at F and I, and for
5 the next ten years, we didn't think that the
6 claims data that was made available to us on
7 which they were basing those assumptions
8 supported those assumptions. And in due
9 course, the company and its consultant
10 actuaries agreed to remove the vast majority of
11 that. That made a big difference.

12 We also thought that their
13 termination assumptions were too generous, that
14 they were not experiencing lapses in
15 terminations at the rate at which they were
16 projecting them, and so they realized those
17 assumptions as well.

18 This sounds a little black and white
19 as I describe it. It's not. I had an old
20 friend a long time ago who told me, very early
21 in my career, that figures don't lie, but liars
22 figure, and that may be a little bit of an
23 exaggeration, but a lot of what happens when
24 you are calculating these reserves is that you
25 get to select the data on which you rely.

1 So, for example, you might say, I am
2 only going to use the last five years of
3 experience and base all our projections on
4 that, or you might say, I'm going to use ten
5 years, or you might say, I'm going to use five
6 years 20 years ago and then five years more
7 recently and the next five years. So if you
8 select the data on which you are going to base
9 your assumptions, you can drive your results.

10 A lot of our disagreements had to do
11 with applicability of the data on which those
12 assumptions were based.

13 Q. Mr. Cantilo, who, at the time of
14 2018, who provided actuarial consulting
15 services to SHIP?

16 A. Milliman, Milliman was SHIP's
17 consulting expert for most of it in the LTC.

18 Q. You may have explained this already,
19 but did you raise the concerns about the
20 assumptions and projections to Milliman?

21 A. Yes. We spent a lot of time with
22 Milliman actuaries. It was not a contentious
23 dialogue, but it was a frustrating one because
24 we had a lot of pushback on our concerns about
25 the assumptions.

1 I think in due course the Milliman
2 actuaries realized that the data really wasn't
3 supporting their assumptions so they made the
4 changes, but it was not instant. And
5 unfortunately, had all this been done ten years
6 earlier without the interference of the
7 Department, the company would have been able to
8 raise rates much sooner and take other remedial
9 steps that would have had much longer running
10 to take effect.

11 Q. Mr. Cantilo, that third bullet under
12 2017 and 2018 requested a corrective action
13 plan in 2018. Can you explain what a
14 corrective action plan is?

15 A. That is a plan formulated by
16 management to restore the company's risk-based
17 capital to the level of one above, which is
18 called the authorized control level, which is a
19 level at which regulators step in.

20 So in common parlance, it's 200
21 percent RBC, so the company should have twice
22 the required total adjusted capital.

23 Q. Where do those requirements come
24 from?

25 A. They are promulgated in the

1 insurance regulations, and the statute in
2 Pennsylvania, just like other states. For SHIP
3 at that time, that would have been about \$15
4 million in surplus at a time when it was
5 reported in 2017, \$13 million in surplus, and
6 2018 almost a half a million dollar deficit.

7 Q. And I think you used the term
8 "authorized control level"?

9 A. Yes. We're getting awfully close to
10 areas beyond my areas of expertise, but the
11 risk-based capital statute promulgates three
12 levels of capital. There is the level at which
13 the company doesn't get any regulatory
14 intervention.

15 And then there is the authorized
16 control level, which is a level at which
17 regulators may but are not required to step in,
18 which is, typically, half of the required
19 capital or what some people call the hundred
20 percent RBC level.

21 And then there is a mandatory
22 control level, which is when the company's
23 capital declines to 70 percent of the required
24 total adjustment capital, at which point the
25 statute requires the regulators take remedial

1 steps.

2 Q. Did SHIP prepare a corrective action
3 plan?

4 A. So SHIP worked on a corrective
5 action plan and presented their ideas to us, if
6 my memory is right, in May of 2018. We had a
7 meeting with representatives of the Department,
8 Oliver Wyman, myself, representatives of
9 Milliman, the trustees, and management, and
10 without being intending to be critical, the
11 consensus on our side of the table, so to
12 speak, were that the ideas being presented were
13 not going to be anywhere near adequate for
14 restoring the company to solvency.

15 And so we then began, and I took
16 charge, developing initially with the
17 cooperation of management and the Milliman
18 rehabilitation plan that has become today the
19 Second Amended Rehabilitation Plan. It has
20 gone through many iterations before that.

21 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I just want to make
22 sure we covered everything before we move off
23 of this topic. Have you identified all the
24 actions in your recollection that the
25 Department took with respect to SHIP prior to

1 January 2020?

2 A. In broad strokes I have. I have not
3 described all the meetings and all the specific
4 recommendations, but the recommendations were
5 revision of the assumptions, reduction of
6 operating costs, and extrication from the
7 Beechwood and Roebling Re transaction.

8 During my tenure as special
9 representative, I spent a fair amount of time,
10 I'm hesitant to use the word forcing, inducing
11 SHIP to get out of the Beechwood program and
12 the Roebling Re program.

13 Q. At a high level, what ultimately led
14 to the rehabilitation plan that you are now
15 proposing on behalf of the Rehabilitator to the
16 Court?

17 A. After we concluded that management's
18 corrective action plan should not be the
19 starting gates, we, and by "we," I mean the
20 Commissioner and other Department staff, and
21 the Oliver Wyman team, sat them down to
22 establish, A, what courses of action were
23 available to the department, and, B, what
24 should be the goal of those courses of action.

25 So we knew even then in 2018 and

1 2019 that if management wasn't able to fix the
2 problem, the Department would have to step in
3 and even move for rehabilitation or a
4 liquidation order.

5 So the first debate was which was
6 more important given the circumstances. And
7 then the second debate is what should be the
8 goal of whatever plan we implement that is not
9 a liquidation.

10 So we knew that a major problem for
11 SHIP was the rate structure. So we decided
12 early on that whatever plan we put together, it
13 had to do something about remedying both the
14 inability of the company to get adequate rate
15 increases and the widely divergent rates that
16 were in place and were continuing to be
17 exacerbated with each rate increase
18 application.

19 We also knew, of course, they had a
20 large deficit and we knew as well that it had
21 operating costs that were high. We worked
22 immediately on the operating costs so that
23 didn't become an issue for the rehabilitation
24 plan.

25 But the first really intense

1 analysis was whether we should go into
2 liquidation or rehabilitation or come to this
3 Court, I should say, with a liquidation or
4 rehabilitation plan. And for reasons that I
5 can explain in more detail later, the decision
6 was made that rehabilitation was appropriate
7 here.

8 And the key components of that were,
9 there is enough money left at SHIP to be able
10 to provide fundamental coverage to our
11 remaining 40,000 policyholders, albeit not the
12 rich coverage that a lot of those policies
13 provide, and this is, and it sounds a little
14 counterintuitive, but this is a major factor;
15 we knew that a lot of policyholders had been
16 underpaying for their policies for a long
17 period of time, decades, and we knew that if we
18 came to this Court requesting a liquidation
19 order, that a likely consequence is that the
20 guaranty associations would be triggered, then,
21 ultimately, the taxpayers would be asked to
22 step up and contribute hundreds of millions of
23 dollars to pay claims under those policies.

24 And the question that we were
25 debating is, is it reasonable, if a

1 policyholder has been paying a quarter for a
2 dollar's worth of insurance for decades, to
3 adopt, as the workout plan, a plan in which the
4 taxpayers step up to pay their remaining 75
5 cents.

6 And what we concluded is that we
7 could right size the policy, and we could
8 create a set of options for policyholders that
9 would enable them to get fundamental LTC
10 coverage but pay reasonable rates like the rest
11 of the country for that coverage and not shift
12 all that burden to the taxpayers.

13 I don't mean to minimize the policy
14 because it made every penny -- whether that's
15 the case or not, the fact is they were
16 mispaying for the coverage and we thought the
17 plan could have a proper goal the right size of
18 the policy, so that the relationship between
19 the premium and the benefits was reasonable.

20 That, after all, is a fundamental
21 requirement of rate regulation. When
22 regulators across the country approve rates for
23 insurance policies, the key consideration is
24 between rates and benefits are reasonable.

25 We concluded, for SHIP, that was no

1 longer the case and we thought a rehabilitation
2 plan could be put together that would remedy
3 that. And we thought if we did that, it would
4 result in reduction of liabilities and it would
5 offset the deficit to a large degree.

6 I will be very candid with the
7 Court, as we always have been, it is not likely
8 that we will magically restore SHIP to
9 solvency, but it is likely that the plan that
10 we were trying to design would substantially
11 reduce the deficit and substantially improve
12 the inequitable rate structure for the company.

13 That was the goal when we sat down
14 to put a plan together.

15 Q. Did you consider any other options
16 besides the plan?

17 A. Of course. There were things that
18 we had considered earlier in the case of Penn
19 Treaty and we thought maybe they would work
20 here.

21 So the first thing we looked at is
22 selling the company, but a company with a \$1
23 billion deficit and a losing book of business
24 and not selling any new business does not
25 attract a lot of buyers.

1 So that one didn't get very far.

2 We looked at a good bank/bad bank
3 structure, which is a structure we had worked a
4 lot on in the Penn Treaty case, but, unlike
5 Penn Treaty that had two licensed insurers,
6 SHIP is only one licensed insurer and for good
7 bank and bad bank to work, you have to have a
8 good bank and bad bank around the country and
9 that was --

10 Q. Can I just ask you to pause and
11 explain for the record what good bank/bad bank
12 would entail?

13 A. So it means a lot of different
14 things to a lot of different people, but the
15 context in which I am using good bank/bad bank
16 is a scheme in which you separate the bad part
17 of the insurance business and put in a
18 liquidation vehicle and put the good part of
19 the insurance business in a surviving vehicle
20 that you hopefully will restore to solvency.

21 Q. So now, the third item, ancillary
22 approval of modifications, what does that mean?

23 A. Well, we recognize that the only way
24 a rehabilitation plan would work is to modify
25 the insurance policies, and we anticipated that

1 there might be resistance, especially to
2 premium rate increases from other states, not
3 because we didn't think that we had the legal
4 authority to do that, but because it is
5 unprecedented.

6 The reality is that most companies
7 that went to rehabilitation are not collecting
8 premium, so the notion of premium increases
9 doesn't come up in rehabilitation.

10 And we -- the first thing we decided
11 is, look, everyone understands we can change
12 the benefit, so surely if we can change the
13 benefits, we can change the premium. So two
14 sides of the same equation. We realized, even
15 if that seemed logically the case, that
16 regulators tend to feel strongly about the
17 exercise of authority on rates, and so to avoid
18 a fight on the issue, one of the things we
19 considered early on is to subject the policy
20 and rate modifications to each of the states as
21 part of the rehabilitation plan.

22 But we concluded pretty early on
23 that that approach overlooked all of the
24 history where the company had the checkerboard
25 experience from rate increase across the

1 country and it would take far too long for the
2 plan to become effective in time to do much
3 good. So we thought ancillary approval of the
4 modifications just wasn't going to be an
5 effective strategy for SHIP.

6 Then we thought about excluding the
7 policies of states that didn't want this Court
8 and Jessica Altman, the Insurance Commissioner,
9 to modify. But that created an unfairness or
10 inequity problem because we would have a plan
11 that would benefit some and not others, and it
12 wouldn't be the policyholders that get to make
13 that choice; it would be regulators. So we
14 thought of that option for the same reason.

15 We spent a lot more time on
16 regulation and, as I said earlier, we concluded
17 we could do a lot more good for policyholders
18 and for the company with this plan than with a
19 flat-out liquidation.

20 Q. I believe you testified earlier that
21 a liquidation would shift a burden to the
22 taxpayers. Can you just explain briefly how
23 that worked?

24 A. Certainly. So if we were to place
25 SHIP on a liquidation, as Penn Treaty has been,

1 for example, the guaranty associations and each
2 of the states in which SHIP's policyholders
3 reside would be triggered and required to
4 guarantee, assume or reinsure, or cause to be
5 guaranteed, assumed or reinsured, all of the
6 policies in force in that state.

7 And the obligations of the guaranty
8 associations would be capped at a stated dollar
9 amount, typically \$300,000, and the guaranty
10 associations would first collect at least a
11 portion or maybe all of SHIP's assets, and then
12 assess other insurers around the country to pay
13 those claims.

14 When they do that, the assessed
15 insurers themselves, in turn, get to reduce
16 their premium tax payments over, typically, a
17 five-year period by the amount of the
18 assessment, and they pay for failed insurers.

19 There are exceptions in California,
20 for example, a set of premium tax offsets, the
21 insurers get to surcharge on for the
22 assessment.

23 But one way or another, the
24 assessments are first borne by the insurance
25 company and then passed on to taxpayers or

1 policyholders. If we put SHIP in the equation,
2 that is who would pay 75 percent on the
3 hypothetical underpricing.

4 Q. So we will return to a comparison of
5 rehabilitation and liquidation, but first, I
6 would like you to tell the Court how you and
7 the others assisting the Rehabilitator in
8 developing the plan, how did you come to the
9 plan?

10 A. So we benefited from having had the
11 experience of doing a lot of this work in Penn
12 Treaty, so we were able to hit the ground
13 running. Our group, including Oliver Wyman,
14 some people from the department and from
15 management, set out to define the broad strokes
16 or the basic elements of the plan. As I said a
17 little bit earlier, one of the keys was to be
18 able to provide coverages to policyholders that
19 the company could afford but would not be so
20 expensive.

21 So we looked, for example, if we can
22 look at Slide 55 -- I'm sorry, 59. My age is
23 catching up with me.

24 This is an illustration of the
25 things at which we were looking. This graph

1 shows the difference between reimbursement and
2 indemnification of these policies that I was
3 referring to earlier.

4 So the blue bars are the
5 indemnification benefits that policies provide.
6 The orange bars are the actual cost of care for
7 the same policyholders. You can see there is a
8 pretty wide gap. On the right side, the gap on
9 the right side accumulates that difference over
10 time. And you can see, about 20 -- we are
11 going to be paying about \$400 million in
12 benefits in excess of the cost of care under
13 the policy.

14 That is, to me, low hanging fruit
15 for a rehabilitation plan. If we can somehow
16 peel that liability away, that is not money the
17 policyholders received. We know by definition
18 that is money over their cost of care. So it
19 is not a fundamental long-term care benefit for
20 them, but saving \$400 million goes a long way
21 to helping a plan.

22 This is an obvious one. There are a
23 lot more difficult associated examples and
24 other ways in which the coverage is probably
25 not necessary, so a simple illustration of that

1 would be a benefit period. There are a lot of
2 policies that have very long benefit periods
3 held by policyholders, and I don't say this to
4 be cruel in any way, but they reasonably don't
5 expect to live that long. If you are 93 and
6 have a chronic health condition, having an
7 unlimited benefit period is probably not worth
8 the money if your reasonable life expectancy is
9 one or two years.

10 So we thought if we fashioned a plan
11 that would enable policyholders to select that
12 kind of reduction in benefits, and, as a result
13 of that, forego a large premium increase or
14 even face a premium reduction, that that would
15 be attractive.

16 So those are the kinds of things at
17 which we looked at putting the plan together.

18 Q. Did Oliver Wyman develop an actuary
19 model for the plan?

20 A. They did. And they were able to do
21 something that has been immensely helpful,
22 which is to develop a Seriatim model. We can
23 adjust every element of every one of our 39,000
24 policies individually.

25 So unlike what is normal, which is

1 to assign the policies to risk classes or
2 categories or cohorts and you make the changes
3 to the particular group all at one time, here,
4 the plan can drill down to each individual
5 policy and make the precise premium or benefit
6 adjustment required to that policy and enable
7 us, very importantly, to report to the
8 policyholder, individually, the characteristics
9 of the policy and how each option under the
10 plan would affect their particular policy.

11 So they spent some months putting
12 that model together. While they were doing
13 that, we worked with Milliman Seriatim model,
14 which allowed us to do a lot of that, but it
15 made different assumptions than the Oliver
16 Wyman model.

17 So we started working on the plan
18 right away, but the plan really started making
19 much more rapid progress after we relied
20 completely on the Oliver Wyman model.

21 Q. You may have touched on some of
22 these already, but collectively, what were the
23 factors you considered in developing the plan?

24 A. So the first and most important
25 factor, of course, is the protection of

1 policyholders, and by that, I mean not simply
2 can we give them all the money in the world,
3 what are the legitimate interests of the
4 policyholders that are at stake in SHIP and how
5 can we address those interests in a fair and
6 equitable manner.

7 Obviously, reducing the company's
8 deficit was a major role of the plan as well.
9 And to the extent that we are going to be
10 implementing modifications, the company's
11 contacts, we wanted to do that in a way that
12 was non-discriminatory either because of
13 residence or state of issue or anything else.

14 So those were all key factors of the
15 plan. We wanted the plan to be feasible and we
16 wanted it to be susceptible of implementation
17 in a relatively short period because of the
18 advanced age of our policyholders.

19 And we have looked pretty carefully
20 at the Court's opinion in the Penn Treaty case.
21 We had a pretty good understanding of what we
22 thought Pennsylvania law would be applicable to
23 the plan, and we wanted to have a plan that
24 would be the least likely possible to attract
25 vigorous opposition, unlike Penn Treaty, which

1 could not be described that way.

2 Q. Mr. Cantilo, you used the term
3 "feasible." Can you explain what you meant
4 when you said feasible?

5 A. Yes. I meant a plan that would be
6 practical to enrollment and would have a
7 material impact on the reduction of the
8 company's deficit, obviously, while addressing
9 the other goals that were already described.

10 Q. How did you come to that
11 understanding of the word "feasible"?

12 A. Well, the Pennsylvania statute does
13 not provide specific requirements for the
14 components of the rehabilitation plan, but I
15 think if you read the statute on when you
16 should go from rehabilitation to liquidation,
17 it compels that conclusion, because if a plan
18 is futile, then that is one of the routes to
19 going to liquidation.

20 We wanted a plan that would not be
21 futile, and I converted that to feasible.

22 Q. If the plan does not eliminate the
23 deficit, what impact will it have on the
24 deficit for SHIP?

25 A. So it will not eliminate the deficit

1 unless the market turns and investment rates go
2 up, but it will certainly reduce that deficit.
3 We will talk more at some point during this
4 hearing about the scenarios we have modeled on
5 that, but we are hopeful we will at least
6 eliminate half of the deficit. And there are
7 definitely some areas under which we will do
8 much better than that. All of them depend on
9 policyholder behavior for which there is not a
10 wealth of empirical data we can rely to make
11 projections.

12 So as Your Honor will see, we have
13 some projections and they project a fairly wide
14 range of results. But even at the low end of
15 the range, it's a material reduction in the
16 deficit and a variable return on improvement in
17 equity of the rate structure.

18 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I
19 am going to turn to the plan itself and start
20 to dig into its operations and its terms, and I
21 happen to know we were around 12:00. I just
22 want to know if you want to keep going and dig
23 in or pause and then move on to the other topic
24 later.

25 JUDGE LEAVITT: We can go off

1 the record for a couple of minutes.

2 (Discussion held off the
3 record.)

4 (Lunch recess taken from 12:00
5 until 12:45 p.m.)

6 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor,
7 there were two housekeeping items before we
8 begin again. The first was, we began this
9 morning, I think the goal was to get started as
10 quickly as possible, and I discussed
11 Mr. Cantilo's CV and history and we drew out
12 some of the bases for his conclusion in areas
13 of expertise, but we didn't formally proffer
14 him as an expert in rehabilitation insolvency
15 and long-term care insurance. We would like to
16 do so subject to reserving the right to do some
17 Voir Dire, if that's necessary if any party
18 objects, which we don't expect they will, but
19 we just wanted to raise the issue because I
20 hadn't raised it before he got on the stand.

21 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right. At
22 this point, we have an offer to have
23 Mr. Cantilo qualified as an expert to testify
24 in rehabilitation of long-term care insurance
25 companies or maybe other companies. I'm not

1 sure of the extent. But I think we all
2 understand what the offer is.

3 Would anyone like to conduct Voir
4 Dire? Does anyone object? All right. He is
5 so qualified.

6 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you,
7 Your Honor. The second was whether -- we noted
8 in reviewing our notes that none of the other
9 counsel had appeared on the record, I think
10 when we opened the record earlier today, and we
11 weren't sure if the other counsel needed to
12 enter formally on the record their appearance
13 or not when we proceed with the remainder of
14 the testimony.

15 JUDGE LEAVITT: That's a good
16 point. Have any of you filled out entries of
17 appearance and submitted them to the crier?

18 MR. LESLIE: Yes, Your Honor.

19 MR. DONLEY: No, Your Honor,
20 we have not.

21 JUDGE LEAVITT: If anyone has
22 -- why don't you each address the Court at the
23 podium, state your name, who you represent, and
24 whether or not you filled out an entry.

25 MR. DONLEY: Good afternoon,

1 Your Honor. I am Joe Donley with Clark Hill.
 2 We represent the agents and brokers in this
 3 matter. With me is my colleague, Scott Galla.
 4 We have our entry of appearance of record, of
 5 course, Your Honor, but we have not given it to
 6 the Court crier. I can do that at a break.

7 JUDGE LEAVITT: Yes. That's
 8 fine.

9 MR. LESLIE: Good afternoon,
 10 Your Honor. David Leslie, and I represent the
 11 intervening state insurance regulators. We
 12 have noticed our appearance and we have
 13 completed the forms, myself and my partner,
 14 Eric Smith.

15 JUDGE LEAVITT: Thank you.

16 MR. HORWICH: Good afternoon,
 17 Your Honor. Harold Horwich from Morgan Lewis &
 18 Bockius. I am here with my partner, Benjamin
 19 Cordiano. We represent the health insurance
 20 companies as intervenors. We have, in fact,
 21 filled out a form.

22 JUDGE LEAVITT: Thank you.

23 MS. GLAWE: Good afternoon,
 24 Your Honor. Caryn Glawe with Faegre Drinker
 25 Biddle & Reath for NOLHGA. I and my

1 colleagues, Jane Gall Wilson and Alicia Hickok,
 2 also with Faegre Drinker, have noticed our
 3 appearance and we have filled out the forms.

4 JUDGE LEAVITT: Thank you.

5 There are some policyholders. They
 6 apparently did not understand that we were told
 7 at the prehearing conference that this was not
 8 going to be a televised proceeding. Mr. Fink
 9 has been in touch with them. They will be
 10 participating, nevertheless, by Webex at the
 11 appropriate time in the proceeding.

12 Okay. Anything else before you --

13 MR. BROADBENT: No, Your
 14 Honor, we are ready when you are.

15 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.

16 We're ready. Thank you.

17 BY MR. BROADBENT:

18 Q. To avoid standing up again,
 19 momentarily, I am going to ask Mr. Cantilo to
 20 turn to the plan itself. I will just hand a
 21 physical copy up.

22 A. I have a copy.

23 JUDGE LEAVITT: We will have
 24 this marked as Rehabilitative 1.

25 (Exhibit R2 was marked for

1 identification.)

2 MR. BROADBENT: I believe,
 3 Your Honor, Mr. Cantilo's --

4 JUDGE LEAVITT: You are right.
 5 This is R2.

6 BY MR. BROADBENT:

7 Q. Mr. Cantilo, just to reorient us
 8 here, the current plan, the second amended
 9 plan, you started to testify as to how it came
 10 about, including on the essential concept of
 11 the plan, which you have before you.

12 Can you describe briefly again the
 13 driving principle of the plan before we get
 14 into its terms?

15 A. I'm sorry, I didn't hear the last
 16 part of your question. You want me to tell you
 17 what the plan is or how it came about?

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: The
 19 essentials.

20 BY MR. BROADBENT:

21 Q. The essential concept of the plan,
 22 which is what this line says, just to reorient
 23 with some testimony as to the driving
 24 principles, philosophy of the plan, before we
 25 get into some terms.

1 A. Absolutely. So I did put together a
 2 summary of that on Slide 60. And, as I
 3 mentioned a little bit earlier, the plan
 4 assumes a deficit in the insurance company of
 5 \$1.2 billion. That's a fluctuating number, and
 6 the plan is completely scaleable, meaning the
 7 elements of the plan are designed to be the
 8 same whether that deficit is half a billion or
 9 two billion.

10 So the fact that we are assuming 1.2
 11 billion by itself is not particularly
 12 significant. But it does give us a sense of
 13 scale of what we need to accomplish.

14 Its principal goal is to reduce the
 15 funding gap, the deficit. The difference
 16 between the potential -- protect the
 17 liabilities for the company and the assets and
 18 projected premium available to fund those
 19 liabilities by a combination of policy
 20 modifications. And the modifications will fall
 21 in two categories; either premium increases or
 22 benefit reductions.

23 The plan is structured to occur in
 24 three phases, the first two of which envision
 25 that the policyholders be given an array of

options for modification or retention of their policies, and allowing the policyholders with adequate information to select from among those options.

In the first of the two phases, the options are based on the If Knew premium that I talked about earlier today, and the second of the two phases, the modifications are based on self-sustaining premium.

The third phase is to take place after we have completed Phases One and Two, and that's the phase with which we address general creditors and the wind-down of the company. So that's not a rehabilitative phase; that's more of a windup phase.

We understood as we launched into the design of a plan that how big Phase Two would be would be completely dependent on the effects at the end of Phase One. So it's hard today to predict exactly how Phase Two is going to turn out. There could be a large deficit remaining after Phase One, in which case Phase Two will be very material, but it could be a smaller deficit, in which case it will be less important.

And we did leave room in the description, Your Honor, for flexibility in changing the terms of Phase Two.

So I envision, we haven't answered this, but I envision that we will be coming back to Your Honor after Phase One reporting the results of Phase One and describing to the Court what we envision for Phase Two. The Court may decide that we don't need to do that. I don't presume to tell the Court how Your Honor is to conduct the proceeding, but that's what we have in mind, and there is flexibility in there for that.

That having been said, as we see it right now, the structure of Phase Two is very similar to Phase One. The options are very similar. The election process is very similar. It's just the rate methodology that's different and the anticipated number of policyholders will be much smaller, and I will explain why in a few minutes.

Q. Just to dig into the details of the plan, can you explain to me what you mean by modifications there in the third bullet?

A. So the policies that are in force

now each have a combination of many benefits. Delivery of some of those benefits is very expensive. Delivery of others is not. We have spent a long time developing a small, and we think manageable, number of options for policyholders that take into account the differences in the characteristics of these benefits.

And we have tried to package these options so that we can address as many individual circumstances as possible with a manageable set of options.

And I should say here, Your Honor, we did consider a plan with many more options, but our conclusion in the space of experience that we had with Penn Treaty is that for a population like SHIP's population and their age, the more complicated the plan, the less likely it is that they are going to be engaged in selecting the options, and we don't want the default option to be the option that applies to everybody.

So it was important to us that we reduce the number of options to a handful, that we could describe in the way in which it could

be understood, and that can actually be understood by the policyholders.

We have four options and a variation of the theme for one of the two. So it's a total of five options. But as Your Honor will see as we describe them, we think that these options, albeit that they are small in number, are wide enough in scope that they allow each policyholder to have something responsive to his or her individual circumstances.

And that was a key point of this. Commissioner Altman giving policyholders the requisite information and then allowing them to select from among meaningful full options was a really important aspect of the rehabilitation. You could have had a plan which you could just have told us about the monetary modifications, but in this case, the philosophical underpinning is that our 39,000 adult policyholders ought to be able to make their own decisions. So that's a hallmark of the plan.

As I said, the options are few in number and we strive to make them simple, but we -- I'm not sure we succeed in making them

1 really simple. So as I get into it, Your
2 Honor, I will also explain some of the
3 strategies we are going to use to try to make
4 the process simpler for policyholders.

5 Q. Mr. Cantilo, will policyholders'
6 premiums go up under the plan?

7 A. They will for some policyholders.
8 We estimate that something around a third of
9 our policyholders today are paying If Knew
10 premium. Those policyholders will not face an
11 involuntary rate increase, although they could
12 select an option that is a rate we simply
13 prefer for some reason, and I will come back to
14 that. But that aside, those policyholders will
15 not face a rate increase.

16 The remaining two thirds, there are
17 a number of options available to each, some of
18 which do entail rate increases and some of
19 which do not. The most significant rate
20 increase will be the ones faced by those
21 policyholders who are not paying a new premium
22 today but want to hold on to their current
23 policies, the so-called Cadillac policies.

24 Those rich in benefits policies are
25 very expensive, they are the most underpriced,

1 and one element of the plan is if you really
2 want to hold onto those benefits, you are going
3 to have to go pay your own freight for that.
4 So they could see fairly material rate
5 increases.

6 For the population that doesn't have
7 those very rich policies, the rate increases
8 will be much more moderate, and I will be
9 specific in numbers as we get further into the
10 details.

11 Q. To what extent does the plan's
12 success depend on large rate increases?

13 A. It does not. In fact, Your Honor,
14 if the only thing we could do was raise rates,
15 we could not rehabilitate SHIP. The kinds of
16 rate increases that would have to be
17 implemented to eliminate a 1.2 million deficit
18 would be unsustainable. We're talking about
19 thousands of percent of rate increases for new
20 policyholders. So we couldn't do that.

21 But the combination of rate
22 increases and benefit modifications or
23 liability reduction resulting from those
24 modifications, that can make a big difference
25 in the deficit.

1 Q. The summary mentions two of three
2 plan phases. Can you elaborate on the phases,
3 please?

4 A. Yes. As I think I just mentioned,
5 they are similar in structure which each of the
6 policyholders given roughly the same choices
7 but different in participation, with Phase Two
8 having many fewer policyholders affected, and
9 then the premium rate methodology, If Knew
10 being applicable to Phase One and
11 self-sustaining being applicable to Phase Two.

12 Q. Do you know how long the plan will
13 take?

14 A. I do not. And there is not a
15 deadline for the plan. The way the plan is
16 structured, it could become a long-term runoff
17 until the last policy lapses or terminates, but
18 the actual implementation of the measures to
19 accomplish that will probably happen within the
20 next two to three, maybe four years.

21 And then after that, and I know this
22 sounds simplistic, but the plan will kind of be
23 an automatic after that.

24 Q. Does the plan depend upon meeting
25 any specific milestones?

1 A. No, there are no articulated
2 milestones, although given the age of our
3 policyholder group, time, obviously, is
4 important. You asked about the timeline, and I
5 saw you had it up on the screen, something I
6 had given of the timeline, but the timeline
7 itself does not currently have specified
8 milestones other than to describe, and I am
9 referring now to Slide 62, which is Table 3 in
10 the plan, that describes the sequence of events
11 for the plan.

12 But as you will note immediately,
13 for most dates, I have TBD. So there are no
14 specified milestone dates for those steps.
15 That's just the sequence in which we anticipate
16 they will occur.

17 Q. What are the goals of the plan?

18 A. First, we reduce or eliminate the
19 funding or the deficit.

20 Second, eliminate the inequitable
21 and discriminatory rate structure that's
22 currently in place and eliminate the subsidies,
23 across policyholders subsidies, prospectively.
24 The plan does not ascribe to do anything about
25 the subsidies historically. I don't think they

1 have any tools for that. But going forward, we
2 want all policyholders to be on a level playing
3 field and pay the same amount for the same
4 amount of insurance.

5 Those are the goals. Obviously, we
6 want to get out things like the Beechwood
7 program and the Roebling Re program. Those are
8 significant, those two key holds.

9 Q. You touched on these things before,
10 but just to bring it all to one place, what are
11 the key attributes of the plan?

12 A. Well, we think that the flexibility
13 and the scalability of the plan is one of its
14 most desirable features.

15 The plan is focused on respecting
16 the rights of individual policyholders to
17 determine the terms for themselves, what is the
18 most valuable aspect of their coverage, but it
19 is self-calibrating, meaning that the decisions
20 of the policyholders will determine what is the
21 next step in eliminating the deficit.

22 It was important to the Commissioner
23 and so the plan incorporates respect for the
24 importance of letting the policyholders have
25 meaningful choices about what's going to happen

1 to their coverage going forward. We thought it
2 was important to give each policyholder at
3 least two options. One is retain their current
4 coverage, if they are willing and able to pay
5 whatever that takes, and two, retain their
6 current premium. That is, if they cannot pay
7 another penny, let them have their current
8 premium and adjust the coverage to that amount
9 that they are paying today.

10 And between those two options, we
11 have other options. One is, and I will
12 describe it in more detail, one is a
13 non-forfeiture option, although the one in the
14 plan is more generous than the one I described
15 earlier in the industry, and then two, versions
16 of a basic policy that provide fundamental
17 long-term care coverage but not a lot of bells
18 and whistles and produces a much more
19 affordable plan.

20 Q. On the question of premiums, Phase
21 One, if Knew premium, can you explain what that
22 is?

23 A. Yes. As I said earlier, this is a
24 premium methodology, widely in use around the
25 country, that assumes the current rate would be

1 -- is what it would be if the management of the
2 company had known how the liabilities would
3 evolve and priced the premium that way to
4 produce the stipulated loss ratio, say 60
5 percent, all the way through until the current
6 moment.

7 Q. Item 1D on this slide, the plan does
8 not incorporate provision for recovery of past
9 uncharged premium, why not?

10 A. In a nutshell, because we have too
11 few policyholders left and it would be unfair
12 to make those policyholders pay premium that
13 should have been paid by someone else in years
14 past.

15 Q. Why did you select If Knew premium
16 for the plan?

17 A. There are several reasons. One is
18 that it is widely in use around the country and
19 we thought, naïve as we are, that it would not
20 engender much opposition.

21 Two, it is because one of the key
22 goals of the plan is to put policyholders in no
23 worse a position than they would be in in a
24 liquidation, and based on the only experience
25 that exists today, which is the Penn Treaty

1 case, that's the methodology I believe was
2 raised rates in the liquidation. So it would
3 be the same rate increases subject to the caps,
4 of course, and the guaranty association
5 coverage.

6 Three, we think it is an easy rate
7 methodology to explain. The Court may recall
8 the very complicated rate methodology that was
9 used in Penn Treaty that challenged most of us
10 to understand. This one is not. This is
11 pretty easy.

12 I can tell a policyholder, we want
13 to set a premium that generates 60 percent loss
14 ratio. And if we haven't done that
15 historically, we will adjust the next premium
16 portending we will have done that historically,
17 and determine what the premium would be today.

18 I understand that sounds still like
19 an insurance technical jargon, but I think it's
20 considerably easier to explain it.

21 And the last reason is that it's a
22 very good way of putting policyholders on a
23 level playing field. It's not very hard for us
24 to determine what the if Knew premium would be
25 on a Seriatim basis, that is, on a policy by

1 policy basis, and then adjust every
2 policyholder to that level so there are no
3 policyholders being compelled to subsidize
4 another going forward.

5 Q. In Phase One, what kind of rate
6 increase will result from the use of If Knew
7 premium?

8 A. So, as demonstrated on Slide 66,
9 about 63 percent of policyholders will face
10 from zero to 50 percent in rate increases, and
11 38 percent of that group will face no rate
12 increases, as I said a little bit earlier.

13 Then we have a slew of about 15
14 percent that will face up to doubling of their
15 premium, and the remaining 22 percent will face
16 more than doubling of their premium. This
17 would be the premium they would have to pay to
18 retain their current coverage.

19 Of course, all of these
20 policyholders that have a rate increase shown
21 on this table will have at least one or two
22 options that allow them to pay no increase or
23 moderate rate increase.

24 But if they wanted to keep their
25 current policy, our rate methodology would use

1 this kind of rate increase.

2 Q. How does this process differ from
3 Phase Two?

4 A. So Phase Two is in some respects a
5 cleanup phase. So we will determine what the
6 remaining deficit is at that time. And unlike
7 this backward-looking methodology, because If
8 Knew premium is looking back at the history of
9 liabilities, self-sustaining premium is a
10 forward-looking methodology. It looks at what
11 remains to be paid and how much money do we
12 need to make those payments.

13 So it calculates for each policy a
14 shortfall amount, which is the difference
15 between the present value of future benefits
16 and expenses are actuarially determined to be
17 necessary for that policy, less the projected
18 future premium and some portion of the existing
19 assets.

20 And the assets will be allocated
21 among the policies in proportion to premium
22 paid historically. So a policy that has paid
23 more premium, for example, because more rate
24 increases have been approved for that policy,
25 will get more assets and, therefore, require

1 less premium going forward.

2 Whereas a policy issued in a state
3 that hasn't given a lot of rate increases will
4 get less allocated to it and will have to have
5 a larger rate increase going forward; that,
6 along with our new methodology in Phase One,
7 are elements designed to remedy the historical
8 subsidy or rated inequity problems that I have
9 described a couple of times today.

10 So we will calculate that shortfall
11 for each policy and calculate the premium
12 required to eliminate that shortfall, and that
13 will be the self-sustaining premium for that
14 policy.

15 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I
16 planned at this point to move to the options
17 that are available at the plan, but I wanted to
18 pause here on the rates if there was anything
19 else Your Honor would like Mr. Cantilo to
20 cover. We also have Mr. Bodnar, who will offer
21 further testimony. But if there is anything
22 specific, Mr. Cantilo is happy to answer your
23 questions on the rates.

24 JUDGE LEAVITT: No. I'm
25 following right along.

1 BY MR. BROADBENT:

2 Q. Mr. Cantilo, you mentioned the
3 policyholders have several options available to
4 them under the plan.

5 A. Right. And if we could put up --
6 there we go. So on this slide, I have
7 summarized the options, and I will say again
8 that options will be the same in Phase One and
9 Phase Two, although the premium methodology
10 will differ.

11 So the first option, which we
12 conveniently call Option 1, is to downgrade
13 your current policy so you can continue paying
14 the premium you're paying now. As I said a
15 little bit earlier, one of the things we wanted
16 to do is to make it more able to retain their
17 current premium level.

18 So the staff and our consulting
19 experts have worked very hard to develop a
20 pretty complicated model and showed algorithms
21 and they are more detailed, not the elements of
22 that, but which allow us to take a given
23 policy, take the current premium that that
24 policy is paying, and determine how we would
25 have to adjust that policy so that dollar

1 amount is adequate on an If Knew basis.

2 So, say a policy is paying a
3 thousand dollars a year in annual premium, but
4 for the benefits that policy offers, we
5 calculate the If Knew premium would be \$1,500,
6 we have a program that would reduce those
7 benefits to a thousand dollars on an If Knew
8 basis, so that now every policyholder is on the
9 same basis. That's like we are all paying the
10 same rate for each pound of potatoes.

11 The second option is what we call
12 the basic policy endorsement. We have selected
13 what we think are the key components of
14 long-term care that people want to have, if
15 they can't afford everything, these are the
16 things they want to have.

17 And we created an array of those
18 that we think will generate affordable
19 premiums. And so there are some limits on what
20 we're going to do with those options. We're
21 going to have a maximum benefit period that is
22 no greater than 80 percent of the current
23 premium or four years. For most people, we
24 think four years of benefit period is a basic
25 long-term care insurance policy. Sure, if you

1 have the money and you would like to have a
2 longer period, but four years is a pretty
3 reasonable benefit period.

4 We are doing the same thing with the
5 daily benefit. We're going to take 80 percent
6 of the current daily benefit or \$300 and use
7 the lower to -- as a basic daily benefit for
8 that policy.

9 There will be an inflation component
10 if there is one in the policy already, but it
11 would be capped at one and a half percent, not
12 five percent. There is a variation on the
13 policy that we, again, very creatively call 2A,
14 and the differences are that you can take a
15 benefit period out to five years and the
16 inflation to two percent, and you'll pay a
17 little more premium for that variation.

18 Q. Mr. Cantilo --

19 A. One very important aspect of the
20 basic policy is if you select this option, you
21 will not be affected by Phase Two. It is what
22 we call a one and done option, which makes it,
23 we think, very attractive to policyholders.

24 Q. How did you and the other team
25 members working on the plan identify what

1 should be included in the basic policy?

2 A. So we are lucky because there are
3 several members of our team that have a lot of
4 industry experience, and I and others also have
5 a lot of experience where we did a lot of
6 policyholder outreach.

7 So we are basing those judgments on
8 what we interpret to be the opinions expressed
9 by policyholders throughout the country about
10 what they find valuable in their long-term care
11 insurance policies and which are the things
12 they are willing to give up.

13 Now, it's not a perfect world. So
14 some of the things they find valuable are the
15 most expensive and we're not necessarily going
16 to retain them in the policy, but I think the
17 fundamental coverage responds to those
18 policyholders around the country.

19 The next option, Option 3, is a
20 paid-up policy or a non-forfeiture option. But
21 unlike the one I described earlier that is
22 common in the industry that just takes
23 accumulated premium less claims, here we are
24 putting a floor on that policy of two and a
25 half years of benefit period, unless your

1 policy already has less than that. We are not
2 going to lengthen your benefit period. But if
3 you have a five-year policy, even if you take
4 an NFO, you have to have at least 30 months of
5 coverage. That makes that option, Option 3,
6 very attractive, because unlike the typical NFO
7 that gives you at most months of coverage, here
8 you have two and a half years, which is a
9 pretty reasonable period of coverage.

10 We also floored the maximum daily
11 benefit at 80 percent of the current level of
12 \$300, which, again, is a reasonable maximum
13 daily benefit. So not a luxurious policy,
14 certainly not what anyone would call a Cadillac
15 policy, but I think this is a solid Chevy
16 policy that we're offering as an alternative.
17 And I don't mean to be pejorative about Chevys
18 when I say that.

19 And then the last option is the
20 option that we hope the fewest policyholders
21 will select, but it's out there, and that is
22 pay whatever it takes to keep your current
23 policy.

24 Q. A policyholder electing Option 1,
25 does he or she get to decide which benefits to

1 downgrade to get to the new premium?

2 A. No. That is an important point. We
3 did think at one time about giving
4 policyholders a menu of benefits and other
5 provisions that they could select for
6 themselves.

7 If the Court may remember, we had a
8 construct like that in Penn Treaty when we did
9 that plan. That is too complicated. When we
10 did the focus groups in Penn Treaty, most
11 people said, please tell us how I should do
12 this. That's not an effective way of giving
13 people their best choice.

14 So we had the algorithms I described
15 earlier, that is, ordered the key benefits as
16 I've shown on Slide 69. There are other policy
17 provisions that I will mention later that are
18 untouched, but these 11 are the levers we will
19 use to reduce the cost of the benefits to what
20 the policyholder is paying and they will be
21 done in this order.

22 Now, not every policy has all these.
23 So, for example, if the policy at which we are
24 looking at a time does impact restoration of
25 benefits, then that will not apply to that

1 policy.

2 We will go down this list until we
3 have reached construct of benefits, the If Knew
4 premium of which mentions the current premium.

5 Q. Mr. Cantilo, does the plan describe
6 the policyholder options?

7 A. It does. There are long sections in
8 the plan that describe it, each one in detail.
9 And then for simplicity, on Slide 70, I have
10 shown Table 6 of the plan, which summarizes all
11 the options on one page and summarizes the
12 options, depending on circumstances.

13 This is probably the point at which
14 I should explain that what I have been saying
15 so far is probably a little bit of an
16 oversimplification. We have policyholders in a
17 lot of different circumstances, so the options
18 vary a little bit, depending on whether the
19 policyholder is on claim or not and whether or
20 not he or she is paying premium or not. So
21 this is probably one of the most important
22 distinctions and one that has drawn some
23 criticism from the regulator intervenors.

24 For policyholders who are currently
25 not paying premium, some of the options require

1 them to pay what we call a differential
2 premium. And the rationale behind that is that
3 we thought it would be unfair to have those 13
4 percent of our policyholders immunized from the
5 effects of the rehabilitation, thereby
6 requiring the other 87 percent to subsidize
7 those 13 percent.

8 So if a policyholder is currently on
9 premium waiver, he or she can keep that premium
10 waiver and not pay any more premium, but the
11 benefits of that policy will be reduced to the
12 premium amount.

13 If they want to keep the current
14 benefit structure, they will have to pay the
15 difference between the premium that is on
16 waiver that they are not currently paying and
17 the If Knew premium for those benefits.

18 So if they have a policy that offers
19 a set of benefits for which they would be
20 paying \$1,000 but for the waiver, but the If
21 Knew premium for those benefits is \$1,600, they
22 will pay a \$500 differential premium.

23 We think that is fair. That is a
24 way of having everyone have some of the loss
25 apportioned to them and not just a subset of

1 the policyholders.

2 Some policyholders are not on claim
3 but they are on waiver because their spouses
4 are on claim and so they will face the same
5 circumstance.

6 And as I say, on -- in Phase Two,
7 even though it's the same options, they are
8 based on different premium methodology. I
9 should also say that we have a couple of
10 options that are floored as the guaranty
11 association limits that policyholders always
12 have an alternative that gives them at least as
13 much coverage as they would have -- they can
14 choose less if they want to pay less, but they
15 can have an option that gives them at least --

16 Q. Mr. Cantilo, in the blue box at the
17 bottom, there is an asterisk with default
18 option. Can you explain what the default
19 options are?

20 A. Yes. We hope not to use it very
21 much, but there will be some policyholders who
22 will not make an election. Either they will
23 make an election and effectively say, by
24 choosing two options on the form, or just not
25 do it at all. The plan can't come to a halt at

1 that point. So if a policyholder does not
2 select an option by the deadline, the plan
3 automatically selects one for that
4 policyholder.

5 In general, for policyholders on
6 premium waiver, the default option is a
7 boundary, Option 1, and for policyholders
8 paying premium, the default option is the basic
9 policy endorsement.

10 But the two defaults are structured
11 to minimize the impact on the policyholder.
12 I'll talk about this in more detail in a few
13 minutes, but we will engage in a vigorous
14 effort to reach out to policyholders. So we
15 have materials that we think are friendly. We
16 are going to call the policyholders from whom
17 we don't hear. We are going to send them
18 communications, probably not a lot of E-mail
19 because a lot of them don't have E-mail, but we
20 will send postcards or letters and reach out by
21 telephone.

22 We have a goal, and Mr. Robinson and
23 I like to joke about the fact that we might not
24 meet our goal, but we have a goal of 100
25 percent return on the election forms. That is

1 what we are working towards.

2 Q. What happens if a policyholder is
3 unwilling or unable to pay differential
4 premium?

5 A. They have options under which they
6 can keep the currently waived premium and have
7 their benefits reduced to that level.

8 Q. Other than the two different
9 methodologies for calculating rates, are the
10 options the same in Phase One and Phase Two?

11 A. Yes, with the exception that, I
12 think I already described the slide, so -- but
13 the big exception is that anyone who has taken
14 Option 2 or Option 3 in Phase One will not have
15 to make an election in Phase Two. They can if
16 they want. If they made an election in Phase
17 One that they now regret and they want to do
18 something different, they can change. But in
19 general, anyone who has taken Option 2 or
20 Option 3 -- yeah, Option 2 or 3 in Phase One,
21 they don't have to make an election in Phase
22 Two. They are done.

23 Also, anyone whose policy is
24 completely covered by a guaranty association,
25 they don't have to make an election in Phase

1 Two. They are also done.

2 So we are going to have a fairly
3 small number left. The last category that will
4 not be affected by Phase Two are those who are
5 already paying self-sustaining premium. That's
6 not going to be a whole lot of them, but anyone
7 in those four buckets that took Option 1 -- I'm
8 sorry, or Option 2 or Option 3 or that are
9 covered by the association or are
10 self-sustaining, they are not affected in Phase
11 Two.

12 So these, you have up Slide 72, I
13 said a few minutes earlier that there were
14 parts of the policy that are not affected and
15 our benefit reduction model, these are 15
16 policies that will not be reduced or eliminated
17 by the plan.

18 So if a policy currently has these
19 features, they will continue after the plan is
20 implemented, unless, of course, the
21 policyholder terminates the policy. But we
22 don't anticipate a lot of people doing that.
23 Even if you don't want to pay another penny,
24 the NFO is a pretty attractive policy, and you
25 would never pay another penny.

1 MR. BROADBENT: So Your Honor,
2 as I did a few moments ago when we moved from
3 the rates to the options, I'm pausing here. I
4 plan to ask Mr. Cantilo about the elections
5 process. And although Your Honor is, of
6 course, free to ask him any question at any
7 time, if there is anything specific on the
8 options now, I just wanted to pause to make
9 sure we address that.

10 JUDGE LEAVITT: Thank you. We
11 can keep going.

12 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you.
13 BY MR. BROADBENT:

14 Q. Mr. Cantilo, is every SHIP
15 policyholder required to make an election in
16 Phase One?

17 A. No. Policyholders who are already
18 paying If Knew premium who, as I say, are about
19 38 percent as of the middle of last year,
20 probably about the same number today, they will
21 have the option, if they want to change their
22 policy, of selecting another option, but they
23 will not be required to.

24 It's worth noting that policyholders
25 that are already paying self-sustaining premium

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 126</p> <p>1 would never want to choose Options 1 or 4 2 because they make no difference. It would have 3 no effect on their policy. 4 But if they wanted to reduce their 5 coverage to reduce their payment, they could 6 take Option 2, Option 2A or Option 3. That is 7 strictly voluntary. They are not required to 8 return an election form and we are going to 9 spend less time trying to track them down than 10 the people who are required to make an 11 election. 12 Q. Why would a policyholder already 13 paying If Knew premium choose a different 14 option? 15 A. To reduce their premium or change 16 their coverage based on their individual 17 circumstances. For example, they may decide 18 that they no longer need the long benefit 19 policy because, unfortunately, they don't 20 expect to live that long and so they may want 21 to save money by shortening that and taking one 22 of those options. 23 I know it sounds cynical and cruel 24 when I say that, but that's real life. There 25 are people out there in the last days of their</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 127</p> <p>1 life for whom budgeting is important and who 2 are cognizant of their individual circumstances 3 and would appreciate the opportunity to give up 4 some coverage they will never use to save some 5 premium that they would rather not have to pay. 6 Q. How will the policyholders actually 7 make the elections from amongst the options 8 available? 9 A. We will send every policyholder a 10 packet of information. Now, what we have on 11 Slide 74 here is the collection of the 12 information that will be in that packet. This 13 will not be the form we are going to send them 14 because it is a little bit intimidating, but it 15 is important to explain to the Court the 16 information we will be providing the 17 policyholders. 18 So I have broken up this, what we 19 call the policyholder guidance page into three 20 sections, and if we can go to the next slide. 21 This top section describes the 22 current policy. So every policyholder will be 23 able to tell on their plans, of course, whether 24 or not this is their policy, but also what is 25 the applicable guaranty association limit on</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 128</p> <p>1 the policy and, very importantly, the policy 2 value for their policy. 3 So that's kind of policy limits. If 4 you use up all the benefits available under 5 your policy, for this hypothetical policy, that 6 would be \$395,961. 7 You would see that that is 95,000 8 over the applicable GA limit for this policy. 9 It also tells you in advance whether you have 10 inflation, and, of course, the current fee that 11 you're paying. 12 The next section, if I can go to the 13 slide, this is kind of where the rubber meets 14 the road, this section describes how the 15 current policy works, that's the first column 16 that says current, about halfway down the page, 17 and then how each option available to that 18 policyholder will work. 19 So for this policy, if we look at 20 Line 1, it tells the policyholder that her 21 current premium is \$6,306. That would also be 22 the premium for that policyholder under Option 23 1. 24 But you can tell by looking at 25 Option 4 that policy is badly underpriced. For</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 129</p> <p>1 the benefits that policy provides, the premium 2 should be, on an If Knew basis, \$10,727. 3 So this chart shows a policyholder 4 that they can take Options 2 and 2A at somewhat 5 less of a rate increase and still have a decent 6 amount of benefits, or they can keep their 7 current premium, but then they will be facing a 8 material downgrade proportionate to the \$4,000 9 underpricing of the policy. 10 Or, and this is one of the things 11 that we think is attractive about the plan, 12 that policyholder could choose Option 3, the 13 NFO, pay no premium, and if you go down to Line 14 5, you see I have the maximum policy value, the 15 limits for each policy listed, that Option 3 is 16 still a \$247,000 policy. That's not chicken 17 feed. 18 And if you look at Line 3, that is a 19 two and a half year benefit period for that 20 policy. And the policyholder can look at all 21 the others as well. They can see that if they 22 wanted to downgrade their current policy to 23 keep their current premium, their benefit 24 period will go down to less than a year, as 25 shown in the option column under Line 3.</p>

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1 On the other hand, our basic
2 policies will offer three years of benefits,
3 NFO offers two and a half years, and, of
4 course, pays the required premium to keep their
5 current policy, that becomes three years as
6 well.

7 And the chart shows the same things
8 for the other components, like the premium
9 increase, the daily benefit, the inflation
10 protection and so on.

11 And at the bottom, we explain to the
12 policyholder, if the company were to go into
13 liquidation, what portion of the policy they
14 chose would be over the cap. So in the current
15 and in Option 4, that would be the 95,000
16 difference. With the downgrade in the Option
17 3, there would be no uncovered benefits for
18 that policy. But with the two basic policy
19 options, there would be some.

20 So the basic policy is about \$2,600
21 and the enhanced basic policy is closer to
22 \$5,000.

23 This information will be provided
24 individually, not in this form, but
25 individually to each policyholder. And then if

1 I may see the next slide, we are also going to
2 provide -- most of this slide is disclaimers
3 and explanations, but there are two key pieces
4 of information there we will also provide
5 policyholders.

6 The first one is what we think the
7 policyholder would be asked to pay in annual
8 premium and liquidation based on the Penn
9 Treaty experience.

10 So policyholders will have some
11 guidance as to what their liquidation premium
12 would be. The lower number is what the
13 self-sustaining premium would be for that
14 policy if set today.

15 The reason these two numbers, we
16 think, will be important to policyholders as
17 they choose among the options, and especially
18 if they consider whether they want to be
19 subject to Phase Two by selecting Options 1 or
20 4, we want them to have some guidance of what
21 kind of burden they might face in Phase Two.

22 Now, we cannot actually predict
23 today what the Phase Two premium will be, so
24 here, for this policy, we say \$18,000. That's
25 if it were determined today. That will change

1 with the passage of time. It will go down with
2 the passage of time most likely.

3 So we don't want a sticker shock.
4 We don't want a policyholder to select Option
5 4, take a 70 percent rate increase for Option 4
6 and say, I can afford this, no problem, and
7 then when option -- when Phase Two comes
8 around, they are faced with an \$8,000 rate
9 increase and they're wondering what the heck
10 happened.

11 So it is an effort to provide
12 information that we think will be material to
13 policyholders in making these selections.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: Could we go
15 back to Slide 76. Mr. Cantilo, the Phase One
16 premium for Option 4 that you're showing is
17 \$10,727?

18 THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor.
19 That's the If Knew premium for the current
20 policy.

21 JUDGE LEAVITT: Does that
22 number include the age of the policyholder, the
23 medical condition of the policyholder, or is
24 that the premium that should have been set when
25 this policyholder purchased the policy?

1 THE WITNESS: It's what the
2 premium would be today if the company had been
3 charging If Knew premium all along. So that --
4 the medical underwriting is done 40 years ago
5 when the policy was issued, so we don't do more
6 medical underwriting today. So changes in
7 health and age, those are not taken --

8 JUDGE LEAVITT: Those are not
9 factors?

10 THE WITNESS: What is factored
11 is what should the premium have been when the
12 policy was issued based on the facts then.

13 JUDGE LEAVITT: Whenever it
14 was issued?

15 THE WITNESS: Yes, and how it
16 would change over time, again, not due to
17 health conditions --

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: Right.

19 THE WITNESS: -- because, as
20 Your Honor knows, that's not --

21 JUDGE LEAVITT: Claims
22 experience before everyone with this product.

23 THE WITNESS: Exactly, Your
24 Honor, and the collapse of the capital markets,
25 which are already factored.

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 134</p> <p>1 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay. Thank 2 you. 3 BY MR. BROADBENT: 4 Q. Mr. Cantilo, can I ask you to look 5 at -- the coming slide shows a policy already 6 paid If Knew premium just for comparison sake. 7 A. So in this case, the current premium 8 is 2995, and if we go to the next page, you can 9 see that the newly imposed policy is also 2995. 10 So this is one of our 38 percent policyholders 11 who is not required to make an election but 12 know, for example, that if this policyholder 13 wanted to cut his premium or her premium in 14 half, they could do that with Options 2 or 2A. 15 And that may be important. This 16 policy right now has a five-year benefit 17 period. Taking Options 2 or 2A only reduces 18 that to 4.8 or unchanged benefit period. So 19 that's not a big giveup. 20 There will be a little bit more of 21 reduction in maximum daily benefit. So the 22 current daily benefit is 205. If they cut 23 their payment in half, their daily benefit will 24 be \$164. That may still be within what they 25 want to realize from the policy.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 135</p> <p>1 And then on Line 5 you can see what 2 the maximum policy value will be and, again, 3 Options 2 and 2A provide substantial policy 4 value, of 300 or 317,000 compared to 432,000 5 today. That, all of which is to say, Your 6 Honor, that a rational policyholder who is not 7 required to make a change may look at this and 8 say, hey, I can cut my premium in half and 9 still get what I need. 10 JUDGE LEAVITT: Could you 11 remind the Court what the enhanced basic policy 12 is? 13 THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor. 14 Instead of a four-year benefit period, it's a 15 five-year benefit period, and instead of one 16 and a half percent inflation, it's two percent 17 inflation. 18 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay. 19 THE WITNESS: This, actually, 20 is a -- I'm sorry, this is a good opportunity 21 to explain some other feature that is not 22 obvious here. You will see that in Option 2 23 for this policyholder, the benefit period is 24 not four years, it's 4.8 years. 25 JUDGE LEAVITT: Uh-huh.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 136</p> <p>1 THE WITNESS: The reason for 2 that is sometimes when we adjust benefits to 3 the If Knew premium, the product overshoots, 4 meaning it cuts too deep and produces a lower 5 premium than we intended, and so we built up 6 the benefit period to compensate for that so 7 that no one gets inadvertently cheated. And I 8 don't mean cheated in a bad way but so that the 9 program doesn't take benefits away unfairly. 10 BY MR. BROADBENT: 11 Q. For the policyholder already paying 12 If Knew premium, how does that relate to a 13 self-sustaining premium? 14 A. Well, unfortunately, it's impossible 15 for us to predict today what the 16 self-sustaining premium will be when Phase Two 17 is implemented, but we do know, and that's why 18 I show those numbers on -- I don't remember the 19 slide number, but you can see them again on 20 Slide 8, why we show what we project the 21 self-sustaining premium to be today. 22 We do think that for a substantial 23 number of Cadillac policies, for lack of a 24 better term, the ones with the five percent 25 inflation and all that, for some of those, the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 137</p> <p>1 self-sustaining premium can be very 2 substantial. You saw in my earlier example an 3 \$18,000 premium, that's not going to be 4 extraordinary. There will be several in that 5 category. 6 And so the If Knew premium may be a 7 moderate increase but the self-sustaining 8 premium may be a very large increase. 9 The other example that we looked at, 10 as I recall, that jumped from current to If 11 Knew was from 6,000 to 10,000, but from If Knew 12 to self-sustaining it is over 8,000, so it's a 13 pretty big jump. 14 Q. It kind of leaves a lot of 15 information to attempt to process. So how will 16 the average policyholder who you have testified 17 is 86 years old -- 18 A. This is my favorite part of this. 19 Q. -- understand the information? 20 A. We have spent a lot of time, Your 21 Honor, trying to figure out how do we make this 22 understandable. So we have engaged some 23 consultants -- 24 JUDGE LEAVITT: 86 doesn't 25 look that old to me.</p>

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1 THE WITNESS: To me either,
2 Your Honor, but I am thinking about the way my
3 kids would look at it.

4 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.

5 THE WITNESS: So we have some
6 consultants who specialize in doing Medicare
7 supplement materials, very similar population.
8 And as Your Honor will see on this slide, we
9 are going to convert that daunting piece of
10 information that I showed you a minute ago into
11 more user-friendly materials. This is only a
12 first draft. So we're still working on it.

13 But they will be intuitively
14 presented with graphics, where even, Your
15 Honor, working on a video, people can look at
16 online or download that will walk them step by
17 step through the election form.

18 We are striving to make this, as I
19 said, Your Honor, our goal is a hundred percent
20 active selection, not default selection on the
21 policyholders, and that doesn't happen unless
22 we can make it friendly to them.

23 So we will continue working on that,
24 and by the time -- I am hoping Your Honor will
25 approve the plan -- by the time we launch the

1 plan, we will have materials and we think it
2 will become the industry standard on how to
3 communicate, but this doesn't exist right now.
4 There is no company doing it this way, no.
5 BY MR. BROADBENT:

6 Q. Mr. Cantilo, 100 percent is a
7 laudable goal, but how do you ensure that that
8 100 percent -- the integrity of the elections?

9 A. Well, so, very important. It's not
10 just about not getting the elections in, but
11 respecting them, that is, processing them
12 accurately. So we have a dual audit process
13 summarized in this confusing chart that I am
14 not going to try to explain, but the end result
15 of which is every policyholder election will be
16 reviewed twice before we implement it
17 individually, every one, to make sure we
18 properly record the policyholder's election.

19 You can skip that. That is more
20 detail on the same slide. Now we come to the
21 least favorite, my least favorite portion.

22 Q. Again, at a high level, Mr. Cantilo,
23 does the plan address tax issues?

24 A. It does. This is not atypical of
25 insolvent insurers. The company has

1 historically posted tax reserves and has
2 deducted reserves, tax reserves from its
3 taxable income, as is permitted under the
4 Internal Revenue Code.

5 If the company is unable to pay the
6 claims to which those reserves correspond, and
7 we do nothing, the Internal Revenue Service
8 will interpret that as taxable income for
9 cancellation of indebtedness, the same problem
10 we had in Penn Treaty.

11 So we're going to engage in a tax
12 strategy pretty similar to the one we
13 implemented in Penn Treaty, so we are not going
14 to reinvent the wheel, in which we bifurcate
15 our policy liabilities after the plan becomes
16 effective but before policyholders make
17 selections between the portion of the
18 liabilities for which we have money or expect
19 to have money, which we call the initial funded
20 restructured policy value, and I should quickly
21 explain that our tax lawyers came up with that
22 term, not me, and the portions we will not be
23 able to pay, which we call the unfunded benefit
24 liability.

25 And what will happen is that on our

1 books, for tax purposes, the liabilities will
2 be bifurcated that way, but insofar as
3 policyholders are concerned, this will not
4 affect them. It will not affect their options,
5 it will not affect their contract rights or
6 their benefits or anything else.

7 But at the end of the day, if the
8 amount we set aside is the unfunded benefit
9 liability, meaning the portion of the liability
10 that we booked as probably not going to be able
11 to pay, if that remains, if we come back to the
12 Court and ask the Court to discharge that as a
13 matter of state law because we can't pay it,
14 and once we get the Court's discharge order,
15 we're going to go down the street to the IRS
16 and seek to exclude that from our taxable
17 income under Section 108 of the Revenue Code.

18 Apart from that, Your Honor, we
19 probably -- we're still working on this, but
20 we're probably going to come back and get a
21 private letter ruling from the IRS, like we did
22 in Penn Treaty, to assure policyholders are not
23 being affected adversely by the plan.

24 The most important thing is we don't
25 want any of the elections to result in a mean

1 exchange by a service that returns the basis to
2 zero.

3 Q. I apologize, Mr. Cantilo, if I
4 missed this part of your testimony, but when
5 will the restructuring occur?

6 A. That is very tricky. So we are
7 going to do the restructuring after the plan
8 becomes effective, but we want to take
9 policyholder elections into account so that our
10 unfunded benefit liability is as precisely
11 measured as possible. So what we are going to
12 do is wait until the election results are in,
13 but not until they become effective.

14 So we will let all the election
15 results come in, then we will do the
16 restructuring, then we will let the election
17 results become effective, and only then will
18 the policies be modified.

19 That's actually fairly astute
20 because it allows us to predict the unfunded
21 benefit liability with great precision because
22 we have the election results. Again, I take no
23 credit for that. We have actuaries and tax
24 lawyers who do that.

25 Q. Will policyholders be advised of the

1 calculations?

2 A. No. The bifurcation between the
3 IFRPV, the Initial Funded Restructured Policy
4 Value, and the unfunded benefit liability will
5 never be explained to a policyholder, other
6 than in the plan itself, which explains it in
7 great detail, but we are not going to provide
8 them their individual numbers. We are not
9 actually even going to calculate it on a policy
10 by policy basis. We are calculating it in the
11 aggregate and keeping it on our tax books in
12 the aggregate, but it does not affect policy
13 choices.

14 As you can see from Slide 86, if the
15 gods are looking favorably on us when we do
16 this, the amount of the unfunded benefit
17 liability should match, approximately, the
18 amount of benefit reduction that results from
19 the policyholder elections. That is the
20 balance for which we are striving.

21 Q. Mr. Cantilo, we would like to ask
22 you about the reactions to the plan, and I will
23 first back up and ask, what steps did you take
24 to send information to the affected and
25 interested parties?

1 A. Even before a decision was made to
2 come to the Court for an Order of
3 Rehabilitation, it was important to the
4 Commissioner that, the fact that she was
5 looking seriously at SHIP's financial condition
6 and considering remedial action being well
7 understood by the regulatory community, so for
8 quite some time department representatives have
9 appeared in front of the NAIC to brief
10 regulators on the commission of SHIP.

11 Later, as we began focusing on
12 either a corrective action plan or
13 rehabilitation plan, we began extending our
14 descriptions to those efforts and, as the plan
15 started taking shape, apart from the regular
16 NAIC meetings, we organized a number of all
17 state conference calls, typically, they were
18 attended the by 200 or 300 people, at which
19 every department had the ability to first
20 listen to a briefing, most of which I provided,
21 on our enrollment of the plan, and then to
22 either offer comments or ask questions.

23 And our role here was to anticipate
24 as many concerns as people had and people would
25 have as possible so we could incorporate them

1 in the design of the plan. So we have probably
2 had, I would say, about a half a dozen all
3 state calls and many more times that individual
4 calls with representatives of the various
5 insurance departments.

6 We have also distributed various
7 submissions of the plan along the way to all
8 the departments and the -- one of the most
9 important amendments between the first and
10 second version of the plan, the one affecting
11 issue state rate approval, we sent that
12 separately to all the states apart from the
13 plan itself, so they could look at that and
14 understand it and weigh in on it.

15 So all together, we spent hundreds
16 of hours communicating with other regulators
17 and other interested parties as well. Apart
18 from sending materials to policyholders, we
19 probably received about a hundred comments from
20 policyholders.

21 And at Slide 90, so this is a
22 summary prepared by the SHIP staff on the
23 policyholder comments. They did it primarily
24 by subject. So you can see that the comments
25 about questions and benefits under the plan,

1 that's a predominant category, about 28 percent
2 of the comments received, whether that's being
3 questions about the rate increases -- not a
4 surprise, those are the things you would expect
5 to see.

6 The surprise, and we don't factor it
7 this way because we were trying to be more
8 focused on the subject, not the color of the
9 comments, but the surprise to us, especially
10 after the Penn Treaty experience, is how many
11 policyholders were supportive of a
12 rehabilitation and the plan that we have
13 described to them.

14 But this summarizes the policyholder
15 concept. As I said, it has only been about a
16 hundred, far fewer than we had on the Penn
17 Treaty case, which is a bit of a surprise to
18 us.

19 Then we have formal comments from
20 representatives of the Maine, Massachusetts and
21 Washington insurance departments and from the
22 Wisconsin and Maryland insurance departments as
23 well, and then formal comments from some
24 policyholders from the agents, from the health
25 insurers, and from three companies that had

1 ceded business to SHIP by reinsurers.

2 And then apart from the intervention
3 in this proceeding from Maine, Massachusetts
4 and Washington, I think we reported to the
5 Court separately that lawsuits have been filed
6 against the Rehabilitator, and in one case me,
7 and Louisiana and South Carolina, to try to
8 stop the plan.

9 The key issue raised by both of
10 those lawsuits is the rate approval issue, and
11 we have filed motions to dismiss the cases.
12 They are both briefed but no decision has been
13 made on either one.

14 Q. Mr. Cantilo, during the course of
15 the litigation, what efforts did the
16 Rehabilitator make to provide the parties in
17 this matter with sufficient information to
18 assess the plan?

19 A. I'm sorry, you mean during the
20 course of the rehabilitation?

21 Q. During the -- yes, the
22 rehabilitation proceedings.

23 A. We did. We engaged in
24 communications that I described. We also
25 created what we called the secure data site,

1 which is a box, by which I mean Microsoft box
2 facility, that can be accessed by anyone,
3 potentially by us, anyone to whom we give a
4 user name and password, and on that site are
5 all of the things that are exhibits here, but
6 more importantly, the key actuarial files. So
7 the Seriatim file has been available to every
8 state for quite sometime for every policy. So
9 every state not only had their own policies,
10 but the policies in every other state.

11 We also have Seriatim files that
12 were tailored, specifically, to our concept of
13 the plan. Those have been available to
14 everyone. We generated for each state an
15 individualized report that we did give the
16 Phase One rates for their policyholders and we
17 sent every state an individual report
18 explaining that so that they would know how
19 their policyholders would fare under the plan,
20 and we provided a lot of other documentation
21 including the plan itself, the trial memorandum
22 supporting the plan, the actuarial assumptions
23 supporting the trial memorandum, and a number
24 of other collateral documents all to anyone
25 interested in the plan.

1 That side has gotten a lot of use,
2 hundreds of uses. I don't know exactly who is
3 using it how many times, but I do know there
4 are in the aggregate, I would say, many hundred
5 of visits to that site.

6 Q. You mentioned the regulators from
7 Maine, Massachusetts and Washington. Can you
8 summarize the objections as you understand them
9 that those regulators have raised to the plan?

10 A. I'll give it my best shot. I'm sure
11 Mr. Leslie -- as I understood them, those three
12 regulators were concerned about premium rates
13 for policies under the plan being set by the
14 Rehabilitator with this Court's approval as
15 distinguished by being set by them.

16 They also assert that liquidation
17 would go to rehabilitation and they expressed
18 skepticism as to whether the plan was feasible,
19 primarily because they don't believe, as I
20 understand it, that it will sufficiently reduce
21 the deficit.

22 In addition to those three
23 objections, I should point out that before we
24 had amended the plan, we had also received
25 objections from other states, not those three,

1 about our earlier proposal to treat the
2 reinsurance assumed as the right business.
3 Those four objections were the -- are of the
4 four principal objections that the regulatory
5 community has developed in their plan.

6 Q. Let's focus on the one, the
7 treatment of the reinsurance assumed. Can you
8 elaborate on the change in the treatment of the
9 reinsurance assumed from the initial plan to
10 the current plan?

11 A. Certainly. So SHIP has a bit over
12 2,000 policies, long-term care policies, that
13 were originally issued by the companies
14 mentioned on Slide 93, American Health & Life,
15 Primamerica, TransAmerica or the predecessors
16 of those companies. So, for example, the
17 TransAmerica policies were originally issued by
18 J. C. Penney Life and eventually became
19 TransAmerica policies.

20 So the predecessors of SHIP,
21 Transport Life and Travelers Life, entered into
22 agreements with the predecessors of these
23 companies to reinsure these long-term care
24 policies, not to assume them or debate them,
25 but to just reinsure them. And as part of that

1 relationship, SHIP also agreed to administer
2 them. So as the company went into
3 rehabilitation, it was administering and paying
4 the claims for these 2,000 policies.

5 For one of the three blocks, the
6 one, the largest, the TransAmerica block, the
7 original agreement had required American
8 Travelers to establish a Trust account which
9 then went to Conseco and is now SHIP's, to axe
10 out those liabilities.

11 And that is an account funded with
12 SHIP assets or the predecessor of SHIP, but can
13 only be used to pay the claims arising under
14 those TransAmerica policies. The other two,
15 the American Health & Life and the Primerica
16 blocks are not supported by the Trust account.

17 In our original plan, we proposed to
18 treat this as if they had been directly issued
19 policies, that is, in the same way as all the
20 other policyholders, because largely that's the
21 way they have been treated historically, but
22 that resulted in some pretty vigorous objection
23 from some states on what I think is a proper
24 theory that, typically, in a liquidation,
25 reinsurance is a general creditor liability,

1 not a policyholder liability, so we shouldn't
2 be elevating it in a plan.

3 So with the amended plan we filed in
4 October, we reversed course. I will take the
5 blame for all this, but we reversed course and
6 we are now treating the reinsurance assumed
7 exactly that way.

8 With respect to TransAmerica
9 policies, that means those are being paid out
10 of the Trust, not SHIP assets, but we cannot
11 touch that until all the premiums have been
12 paid in full.

13 With respect to the American Health
14 & Life and Primerica policies, what we are
15 asking the Court to approve is that those
16 companies be required to make their own claim
17 statements out of their own money and then file
18 a claim against us for breach of contract for
19 the claims we should have paid, which is the
20 way reinsurance would, typically, be treated in
21 insolvency.

22 In the case of TransAmerica, we did
23 come to this Court earlier for approval of a
24 recapture agreement that we negotiated with
25 TransAmerica last year. So, as of December, we

1 pretty much have nothing to do with liability,
2 although SHIP continues to provide
3 administrative services for a fee to
4 TransAmerica for those policies.

5 Q. What --

6 JUDGE LEAVITT: These are a
7 hundred percent --

8 THE WITNESS: Yes.

9 JUDGE LEAVITT? Quote per
10 share?

11 THE WITNESS: All three were a
12 hundred percent. That's pretty common in
13 long-term care.

14 BY MR. BROADBENT:

15 Q. What effect do these changes have on
16 the plan and on SHIP?

17 A. So we have, I think -- in a
18 nutshell, the projected liability for these
19 policies is removed from our liability, but the
20 Trust is removed from our assets.

21 And so you will see on the exhibit
22 -- I'm sorry, Slide 94, that on the left side
23 of the page, we have a column, which is a
24 year-to-date, as it is, then the effect of the
25 reinsurance and the pro forma taking the

1 reinsurance -- I'm sorry, not the reinsurance,
2 so the total assets go from a million -- I'm
3 sorry, I misspoke.

4 The last column is what happens
5 after giving effect to the removal. So the
6 assets go from a million seven -- a billion
7 seven to a billion four because we remove the
8 300 million that were in the Trust, 325
9 million, but we also removed 324 million in
10 liability shown further up on that page.

11 So the liabilities went from 2.7,
12 maybe 9 to 2.624. And the difference between
13 those two numbers is the overfunding of the
14 Trust, which we hope to recoup once the
15 liabilities are run off.

16 So in terms of the impact on the
17 company's capital and surplus, the left side --
18 or right side of the sheet, you see that the
19 surplus before, given to the fact that
20 previously it was a billion dollar deficit and
21 after was a billion two deficit, and that
22 difference is primarily attributable to the
23 overfunding of the Trust.

24 Before all this happened, Your
25 Honor, SHIP reported financial condition as a

1 depressed asset. Probably should not have done
2 so, but that is water under the bridge, so.

3 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay.

4 BY MR. BROADBENT:

5 Q. When will these changes take effect?

6 A. For TransAmerica, it took effect in
7 the year end. With the Court's permission, for
8 American Health & Life and for Primerica, it
9 would become effective with the effective date
10 of the plan.

11 Q. Moving to the concerns of the state
12 insurance regulators, I think one of the
13 concerns to which you testified was the
14 Rehabilitator and the Court approving SHIP's
15 rates throughout the country.

16 Can you elaborate on what your
17 understanding is of that concern?

18 A. Certainly. There is a tradition
19 that has been codified in most of the states of
20 having the state of issue of an insurance
21 policy be the principal regulator for the rates
22 for those policies.

23 So even though an insurer might be
24 down in Tennessee, for the policies and issues
25 in Pennsylvania, it is the Pennsylvania

1 department that scrutinizes the rates and
2 eventually approves or rejects rate increases.
3 And that is so regardless of where the
4 policyholder resides.

5 So the policy may have been issued
6 by a Tennessee domiciled insurer to a
7 Pennsylvania resident who then moved to
8 Nebraska, and after that, moved to California
9 and eventually moved to Illinois.

10 Notwithstanding, it's going to be a
11 Pennsylvania department that regulates the
12 rates of that policy all the way through the
13 life of the policy, because that's the state in
14 which the policy was issued.

15 My own view is that that arrangement
16 is a matter of convenience allocating
17 responsibility for rate approval to one rather
18 than each state of issue rather than having
19 them all owned by the state of domicile. Doing
20 them by state of residence, obviously, would be
21 complicated because you would have several
22 departments passing on the same rate over
23 different periods of time.

24 Based on that tradition, the, what I
25 understand the Maine, Massachusetts and

1 Washington regulators to be suggesting is that
2 they, and not this Court or this Rehabilitator,
3 ought to be approving rate increases for the
4 policies issued by SHIP or its predecessors in
5 those three states.

6 And -- but we disagree with that
7 notion because we believe that the
8 Rehabilitator and this Court have the power to
9 just modify rates and benefits under the
10 policies of the rehabilitation plan.

11 But that's my understanding of that
12 principal objection.

13 Q. Do you understand the regulators to
14 assert that they can -- they are the only party
15 that can approve rate increases for residents
16 in their states?

17 A. No. Their position, consistent with
18 the statutes, is that they are the only ones
19 who can approve rate increases from policies
20 issued in those states, regardless of whether
21 -- which, of course, creates some ironic
22 consequences. So on my Slide 97, I explained
23 that just for these three states, we have 34
24 residents of Maine issued policies in other
25 states. So if Maine set the rates for all of

1 the policies issued in that state, it would do
2 so for 34 residents of other states. It would
3 be 84 for the policies issued in Massachusetts,
4 and 89 for the policies issued in Washington.

5 So all together, for this group of
6 regulators, they would be setting rates for 207
7 policies issued in those states, but the
8 holders reside in other states, so they
9 wouldn't be protecting their own residents.

10 Conversely, if you look at the next
11 slide, there are 21 Maine residents who hold
12 policies issued in other states and 83
13 Massachusetts and 87 Washington residents who
14 hold policies issued in other states, which is
15 to say, if these three regulators set the
16 rates, they will not be doing so for these 191
17 residents of their state because those policies
18 were issued in other states.

19 So all together, having -- giving
20 effect to their rules, so to speak, that the
21 issued state sets the rate, means that 400
22 policyholders will have their rates set by
23 states in which they don't reside because of
24 this rule.

25 Q. In a receivership, why wouldn't you

1 follow the standard rule of having the issued
2 state control the rate process?

3 A. Well, I guess my first opinion is
4 that's how we got here. One of the biggest
5 problems SHIP faces is uneven response to rate
6 approvals, as we described earlier today in
7 great detail.

8 But, more importantly, I don't think
9 you can rehabilitate or liquidate a large
10 insurance company with little pieces being
11 addressed by each of the 50 states.

12 The tradition in this country has
13 been that a multistate troubled insurer is
14 managed by its domiciliary regulator through
15 the entire policy over the rehabilitation
16 process.

17 And the notion that that rule should
18 apply with respect to contract modifications
19 but not with respect to rate modifications does
20 not make common sense to me. I don't see a
21 qualitative difference between the two.

22 Q. Does the plan address the issued
23 state rate?

24 A. Yes. After we received these
25 objections, following the original plan which

1 was filed in April of last year, we added to
2 the plan what we called the issue state rate
3 approval section, and that's a fairly
4 complicated section aimed exactly at addressing
5 this concern.

6 So under this section, what would
7 happen is every state will be given the option,
8 if this Court approves the plan, to opt out of
9 the rate approval section. If they do, in an
10 opt out state, the Rehabilitator will file an
11 application for rate increases for the policies
12 issued in that state to the If Knew level. The
13 regulator will do whatever he or she thinks is
14 appropriate with that application, but if that
15 application is not completely approved, say
16 it's only half approved, as it happens so
17 often, we will then adjust the benefits under
18 those policies to what that regulator has
19 approved.

20 That is essential. If we don't have
21 that, we will continue having the other
22 policyholders subsidize the policies. So we
23 will stop the subsidy, but we will let the opt
24 out states set their own rates. Each opt out
25 policyholder will still have four options.

1 They are not exactly the same as the plan but
2 they are similar. So they will be able to keep
3 -- even though the regulator may not have
4 approved a full rate increase, one of the
5 options we will give them is a voluntary paid
6 in full rate to keep your current policy. So
7 we are not going to punish those policyholders
8 because their states opted out and they're not
9 letting them keep their current policy. If
10 they really want to keep their current policy,
11 they can voluntarily pay the premium.

12 But if they don't, if they want to
13 pay the premium approved by the opt out state,
14 then the benefits of the policy will be
15 adjusted to that level.

16 Or if they don't want to pay any
17 premium increase, just like the opt-in
18 policyholders, they will have a downgrade
19 option so that they don't have to pay any rate
20 increase. And they also have a non-forfeiture
21 option, but there will be no requirement by
22 that state or that policy, it will not be
23 enhanced by that plan option.

24 Q. Mr. Cantilo, under ordinary
25 circumstances, that is, outside of the

1 rehabilitation context, could a policyholder
2 adjust the benefits available under the policy
3 outside of the rate setting process that the
4 state applied?

5 A. No. The contracts don't provide for
6 that. In fact, that, I think, is one of the
7 advantages of the rehab plan is it gives
8 policyholders more flexibility than they
9 normally find.

10 What typically happens is when a
11 company seeks rate increases, it will offer
12 options to policyholders, but it's only when
13 they are seeking rate increases. And those
14 options are typically fewer in number and less
15 varied than the ones we have been describing
16 here.

17 Q. Mr. Martin has pulled up Slide 100.
18 I would like to ask you about the deem denied
19 period of 60 days. Why is that important?

20 A. I should have said that when we file
21 our rate increase application with each of the
22 opt out states, we will make clear that if the
23 state doesn't pass on the application, approve
24 it, partially approve it or reject it within 60
25 days, we will deem that application to have

1 been denied in its entirety.

2 And that is necessary so that the
3 plan is not ground to a halt by inaction, as
4 has happened so long -- so often in the past,
5 inaction on state rate increase requests.

6 The other point made on the slide
7 which is, perhaps, even more important is, we
8 will be filing the rate increase application on
9 a policy by policy basis, on a Seriatim basis,
10 so we will tell opt out state X, for each of
11 your policyholders, this is the rate we want
12 you to approve, and that's going to be the If
13 Knew rate, again, to eliminate the subsidies
14 and restore a level playing field.

15 A lot of states don't approve rates
16 individually. They approve them by groups.
17 And that's a problem. And that's a problem
18 because, I mean, take a simple example, assume
19 three policyholders and we send state X an
20 application to increase Policyholder A by 25
21 percent, Policyholder B by 30 percent and
22 Policyholder C by 35 percent, because that's
23 what the If Knew rate will require.

24 If that state says, we're just going
25 to average that and give everybody 30 percent,

1 that's going to disadvantage two of the three
2 policyholders. So the one for whom we only
3 sought a 25 percent rate increase is now going
4 to be paying an extra five percent just for the
5 convenience of that state.

6 The one for whom we sought a 35
7 percent rate increase will now face a five
8 percent downgrade because the state only
9 approved 30 percent instead of 35 percent.

10 So in the materials we distributed
11 to the states a couple of months ago about the
12 issue state rate approval process, we
13 emphasized that in deciding whether or not to
14 opt out, a state ought to bear in mind that if
15 it is unable to process the rate increase
16 request application on a policy by policy
17 basis, there could be adverse results to the
18 residents of that state from application of new
19 decisions on the rates.

20 And we thought it was important to
21 make that point because some states may decide
22 we don't want to do that so we'll just let the
23 Rehabilitator set the rates one by one rather
24 than we set them by group. Other states may
25 say, no, we always set them by group, we'll

1 continue to do that.

2 But at least the cards are on the
3 table, so to speak.

4 JUDGE LEAVITT: If the state
5 is reviewing the rate filing in an opt out
6 state, on a group basis, won't they just be
7 looking at the If Knew premium for all the
8 policies of a certain type? In other words, I
9 mean, all they have to do is -- do we agree,
10 actuarially, that it's a 60 percent loss ratio
11 or whatever?

12 THE WITNESS: Our application,
13 Your Honor, will have every policyholder listed
14 and specify their rate increase for every
15 policyholder and it will not be the same
16 number.

17 JUDGE LEAVITT: I understand
18 that. But, ultimately, in the aggregate, the
19 rehabilitator is looking for an If Knew premium
20 that's across the board; correct?

21 THE WITNESS: Correct. So if
22 we send an application, say, Your Honor, we
23 send an application for a hundred policyholders
24 and they are all different, but in the
25 aggregate, if you took the aggregate amount, it

1 would be a 47 percent rate increase.

2 So Your Honor is asking why couldn't
3 we just break up the 47 percent and say, we're
4 going to apply it to Policyholder A at 60
5 percent and Policyholder B at 40 percent and so
6 on, because, Your Honor, we are letting the
7 state set the rates for its policyholders. If
8 we did that --

9 JUDGE LEAVITT: I see. So
10 it's not giving them another opportunity to
11 review your actuarial analysis that --

12 THE WITNESS: They would have.
13 We will file a conventional rate increase
14 application with the exception that instead of
15 being, give us 20 percent for all of our
16 policyholders, we are going to say, give us 13
17 percent for --

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: For A, okay.

19 THE WITNESS: And so on.

20 But each of those, Your Honor, we
21 will have actuarial support for the fact that
22 whatever that number is, it's an actuarially
23 justified rate for that policy.

24 BY MR. BROADBENT:

25 Q. Mr. Cantilo, there's four

1 policyholder options here, A through D. Will
2 you offer the last option, even if it's not
3 approved by the Commissioner of the opt out
4 state?

5 A. That was a late addition to the
6 issue state rate approval section. The
7 original contract only had the first three
8 options. And, as I discussed this informally
9 with the regulators in other states, one of
10 them, that I will not identify, suggested that
11 -- this is not an unusual problem. They,
12 actually, don't oppose philosophically our
13 setting the rates, but they are bound by a
14 statute, in their state, that limits how much
15 rate increase they can approve.

16 And what this regulator suggested to
17 me is, we don't want to punish our policyholder
18 because our statute doesn't allow us to approve
19 a higher rate, so long as you allow us to pass
20 on your rate increases and reject them or
21 approve them or whatever, but in compliance
22 with our statute, we don't mind if you also let
23 policyholders pay such additional rate as they
24 are willing and able to pay to keep their
25 policy, even though it doesn't comply with our

1 statute.

2 We won't be approving that, but
3 we're not going to block policyholders from
4 doing it voluntarily. I thought that was a
5 persuasive argument, so we included that as an
6 Option B in the program.

7 Q. Do policyholders governed by the opt
8 out states have Phase Two of the plan?

9 A. Yes. And, again, just as for
10 opt-ins, Phase Two will be very similar for opt
11 out states. Again, we will file rate increase
12 applications in each of the opt out states, but
13 on a self-sustaining basis, individually,
14 Seriatim again, and again, they will have the
15 ability to approve them individually or in
16 groups.

17 Q. Have you received a reaction from
18 state regulators, generally, to the issue state
19 rate approval option?

20 A. The only formal reaction has been
21 the filing by the state regulators in this case
22 that that doesn't satisfy them. I think there
23 was a passing comment on this in the Louisiana
24 case but really not germane to any of the
25 issues in that case.

1 Other than that, I had informal
2 conversations with a number of regulators who
3 think this is creative and a good way of
4 slashing the cat, so to speak, or whatever the
5 expression would be.

6 A lot of people are not going to
7 come out in public and say that because it
8 would mean surrendering to the Pennsylvania
9 Insurance Commissioner the ability to set
10 rates, and that has become a very contentious
11 issue.

12 But in terms of harmonizing their
13 concerns with the exigencies of SHIP's
14 circumstances, they think this would create an
15 effective solution.

16 Q. Is all of this explained in the
17 plan?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Will states opting out hurt the
20 plan?

21 A. No. Ironically, we anticipate, we
22 can be surprised, but we anticipate that the
23 results of states opting out will be a deeper
24 reduction in benefits because of more rate
25 approvals.

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 170</p> <p>1 So in terms of the company, states</p> <p>2 opting out will probably be helpful. In terms</p> <p>3 of policyholders, we think it will be harmful.</p> <p>4 So although it will not hurt the plan in terms</p> <p>5 of reducing the deficit, it is likely to hurt</p> <p>6 the plan in terms of providing policyholders</p> <p>7 the best options.</p> <p>8 Q. To be clear, what options do opt out</p> <p>9 policyholders not have?</p> <p>10 A. Well, one of the most important ones</p> <p>11 that they won't have is the enhanced</p> <p>12 non-forfeiture option and the basic policies.</p> <p>13 Those are not forms approved in the opt out</p> <p>14 states, so we are not going to use them. Those</p> <p>15 would be part of the participation in the plan.</p> <p>16 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I</p> <p>17 will pause again momentarily to let you know we</p> <p>18 are moving to the question of rehabilitation</p> <p>19 and liquidation, and I wanted to make sure Your</p> <p>20 Honor had sufficient time to ask the questions</p> <p>21 that Your Honor may have had on this issue at</p> <p>22 this time.</p> <p>23 JUDGE LEAVITT: No, I'm fine.</p> <p>24 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you.</p> <p>25 BY MR. BROADBENT:</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 171</p> <p>1 Q. Mr. Cantilo, one other issue raised</p> <p>2 by the intervenor state regulator is the</p> <p>3 suggestion that the SHIP policyholders would be</p> <p>4 better off if SHIP were immediately liquidated.</p> <p>5 Have you examined this issue?</p> <p>6 A. Yeah, at quite bit of length. Early</p> <p>7 in the process of this and before we even set</p> <p>8 down the elements of the plan, the threshold</p> <p>9 issue is are we better off at rehabilitation</p> <p>10 than liquidation, and the conclusion</p> <p>11 unanimously among the group was that</p> <p>12 rehabilitation would offer policyholders more</p> <p>13 meaningful options and potentially better</p> <p>14 outcomes under the circumstances than</p> <p>15 liquidation.</p> <p>16 In addition, the decision to go to</p> <p>17 rehabilitation was driven in part by the</p> <p>18 recognition that a key problem that SHIP faces</p> <p>19 is this great inequity issue.</p> <p>20 Liquidation is unlikely to be able</p> <p>21 to fix that, and without it being fixed, we're</p> <p>22 going to continue perpetuating the subsidies</p> <p>23 that have plagued SHIP and the industry for so</p> <p>24 long.</p> <p>25 So we think that one of the key</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 172</p> <p>1 contributions this plan makes, which would not</p> <p>2 be possible in liquidation, is to eliminate the</p> <p>3 subsidies prospectively and put the</p> <p>4 policyholders on a level playing field.</p> <p>5 In addition to that, in candor, we</p> <p>6 were not persuaded that we could justify, in</p> <p>7 good faith, compelling the guaranty</p> <p>8 associations and eventually the taxpayers to</p> <p>9 enable policyholders to continue getting</p> <p>10 Cadillac policies at VW rates. In fact, some</p> <p>11 Cadillac policies have VW rates, other Cadillac</p> <p>12 policies have Chevy rates and so on.</p> <p>13 We think it's reasonable information</p> <p>14 to fulfill the contractual obligation on, but</p> <p>15 we also think it's reasonable to take into</p> <p>16 account when those obligations are upside down.</p> <p>17 By way of illustration, if SHIP had issued a</p> <p>18 thousand \$1 million dollar face amount of life</p> <p>19 insurance policies to everyone with diabetes</p> <p>20 for a dollar each, I don't think anyone would</p> <p>21 pretend that when the company went down because</p> <p>22 a dollar in premium is grossly inadequate, the</p> <p>23 guaranty association ought to be made to step</p> <p>24 up and fulfill that million dollar life</p> <p>25 insurance policy.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 173</p> <p>1 And although the degree is</p> <p>2 different, I think the principle is the same in</p> <p>3 the context of long-term care insurance.</p> <p>4 Q. Are you familiar with the</p> <p>5 intervening state regulators' arguments with</p> <p>6 respect to what they call the carpenter test?</p> <p>7 A. Yes. So the carpenter test, that's</p> <p>8 a term used widely in the insurance insolvency</p> <p>9 industry, is a test that arises from the 1930s</p> <p>10 case, Neblett versus Carpenter, and, basically,</p> <p>11 holds that a rehabilitation plan does not fail</p> <p>12 constitutional muster if it puts policyholders</p> <p>13 in no worse a position than they would have on</p> <p>14 liquidation.</p> <p>15 The Court, in that case, analyzed it</p> <p>16 in terms of distributing the assets</p> <p>17 proportionately on policyholders. That clearly</p> <p>18 doesn't make sense in the case of long-term</p> <p>19 care insurance. But I think people who work in</p> <p>20 this phase and the insurance rehabilitation</p> <p>21 phase, generally, understand Carpenter to mean</p> <p>22 no worse off.</p> <p>23 What I understand the state</p> <p>24 regulators to suggest is that, based on their</p> <p>25 actuarial analysis, more policyholders fare</p>

1 worse under the plan than better. We don't
2 agree with that conclusion. But on the
3 strength of that, they believe, or at least
4 they suggest to this Court, that the company
5 should be liquidated and not rehabilitated.

6 Q. Are you aware of any required
7 quantitative measure for the Carpenter
8 analysis?

9 A. I am not. As I said, the Court
10 itself, the Supreme Court and the California
11 Supreme Court, in the Neblett case, looked at
12 that as a distribution of assets
13 proportionately among policyholders as the
14 liquidation value. I don't think that, as I
15 said, makes sense in the case of long-term care
16 insurance.

17 In the property and casualty
18 insolvency arena, typically, it's done the same
19 way. It's a measure of distribution of assets
20 proportionately on policyholders. But neither
21 the statute, nor any regulations of which I am
22 aware anywhere in the country, promulgate a
23 test for when a plan leaves policyholders
24 better off or worse off than liquidation and
25 rehabilitation plan.

1 But their suggestion is that we
2 ought to analyze each policyholder under the
3 plan and determine whether the options under
4 the plan present a greater or lesser present
5 value future benefits less present value future
6 premium than would liquidation.

7 So if we use that test, they would
8 rank the options, and if liquidation is a
9 better option for the specific policyholder,
10 then they would say the plan fails the test.

11 If we could put up Slide 102. This
12 is an illustration of one reason I think this
13 completely fails. This is an actual policy,
14 actual SHIP policy. This 92-year old
15 policyholder, if you look at the very bottom
16 line, I state here what their measure is of
17 present future -- present value of future
18 benefits less the present value of future
19 premium, so using that measure, you can see a
20 liquidation would give this policyholder a
21 value of \$33,890. That is higher than any of
22 the plan options. So if you use their
23 analysis, you would say, that's the highest
24 number, liquidation, game over.

25 But look carefully at what Option 3

1 And, of course, the Pennsylvania
2 statute doesn't even mention that test.

3 Q. Have you considered the analysis of
4 the intervener regulators in proposing the plan
5 for approval?

6 A. Yes, at some length. Their analysis
7 is based on a measure used to establish a
8 company's liabilities, which is the present
9 value of the future benefits less the present
10 value of future premiums, which they use --
11 they shorthand define that as the Carpenter
12 value.

13 They are not the first to say that.
14 Other people have used that term in the
15 industry, although the term has been used for a
16 bunch of different measures, but you can
17 certainly use it as they have, but I don't
18 think it's a fair measure.

19 So the measure we used to place on
20 value of future benefits less present value of
21 future liabilities is completely a projection
22 measure. It's an estimate of future numbers.
23 It doesn't tell you anything about today's
24 numbers. And, as we will see, it's a number
25 that policyholders never see.

1 is. Option 3 only has a value \$340 lower than
2 the liquidation value, but now look at the
3 premium. The premium for Option 3 is zero.
4 The premium for their test is \$11,520.

5 So by paying 34 times the savings,
6 the \$340 every year, the policyholder can have
7 the additional \$340 in value. I submit,
8 respectfully, Your Honor, that that is not a
9 rational choice for the policyholder. This is
10 not exceptional. There are many cases where
11 the raw projection of future benefits less
12 future premium don't really tell you what the
13 real value of the policy is.

14 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I --

15 A. I do have another example, but it's
16 probably not worth belaboring, but here is
17 another case where you see a much higher value
18 using their measure for this policyholder, but,
19 again, you have other options that offer
20 material coverage at a much lower premium. So
21 the policyholder may not want to pay the \$4,379
22 to get that \$25,000. For \$6,000 less in
23 benefits, they pay no premium in Option 3. But
24 for half that amount, they get \$12,000 in
25 present value in Option 2A and so on.

1 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I would like to return
2 just briefly to the previous slide.

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. You drew a comparison with Option 3,
5 the enhanced RPU, in terms of the present value
6 analysis proposed by the regulators.

7 How does the liquidation option
8 compare to the basic policy for this
9 policyholder?

10 A. Well, so the basic policy has about
11 half the premium of the liquidation policy.
12 But if you look at the maximum policy value,
13 which is the line just above the measure they
14 recommend, it has the same value.

15 So the policy limits on both
16 policies of \$300,000, but the premium is half
17 as much in Option 2 or Option 2A as in the
18 liquidation.

19 Q. So in your view, is this a rational
20 choice for a policyholder?

21 A. My view, first and foremost, is that
22 I want to give every policyholder all the
23 information and let each one select what is
24 best for him or her. But if it were my
25 grandmother and she were faced with these kinds

1 of options, I would tell her to think carefully
2 about whether she wants to spend the extra
3 \$6,000.

4 You have no additional coverage
5 because the maximum policy value remains the
6 same, but in actuarial protection, that's twice
7 as large.

8 JUDGE LEAVITT: May I -- I'm
9 having a little trouble with Slide 102. Why is
10 the liquidation premium \$11,520? Where does
11 that number come from?

12 THE WITNESS: It is the
13 application of the If Knew premium to the
14 benefits of the current policy subject to the
15 guaranty association cap.

16 JUDGE LEAVITT: I see. But
17 the guaranty --

18 THE WITNESS: You see the
19 number in the column just before that and the
20 column for Phase One premium, the actual Phase
21 One premium for that policy is \$13,564. But in
22 a liquidation, we expect the guaranty
23 associations would only charge it on the cover
24 portion.

25 So we are contemplating it to be the

1 300,000 --

2 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay.

3 THE WITNESS: And so for this
4 policyholder, Your Honor, I would not recommend
5 Option 4 because Option 4 is a higher premium,
6 and I think that's the whole point about the
7 benefit of choice under the plan.

8 JUDGE LEAVITT: So the column
9 labeled current shows the annual premium of
10 \$2,760.

11 THE WITNESS: Right, Your
12 Honor. That would be one of those ones I
13 mentioned earlier that is vastly underpriced.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: Right. I see.
15 Okay. I got it.

16 THE WITNESS: Well, apart from
17 this aspect of their measure that I think is a
18 little bit oversimplified in their analysis,
19 there are other ways of measuring the value of
20 each of these options. On Slide 104, I know
21 some of them are obvious ones.

22 So one they suggest is the present
23 value future benefits less the present value
24 future premiums. You could also take the
25 present value future benefits over annual

1 premium, what some people call the bang for the
2 buck measure, how much insurance are you
3 getting for each dollar.

4 But with respect to both of these
5 measures, Your Honor, what you are looking at
6 are projections. We don't know those numbers.
7 And if I gave you the numbers today, they would
8 be wrong tomorrow. Every day, those
9 projections are going to change.

10 The third option that I have up
11 there is not susceptible to that problem. That
12 is a maximum policy value. That is not going
13 to change. That is the product of that
14 policy's maximum benefit period times its
15 maximum daily benefit. Unless you modify the
16 policy, that's a static number and it will be
17 that way until the policy ends.

18 The other part of that formula is
19 annual premium which, again, does not change.
20 That's not a projection. So if you are going
21 to give policyholders guidance, I think you
22 should give them guidance at a static, not that
23 you know it was wrong the day after you give it
24 to them.

25 The fourth measure is another bang

1 for the buck approach, not one that we are
2 particularly recommending, but if you are going
3 to use the bang for the buck approach, at least
4 use policy value rather than present value
5 future benefits because, as I said earlier,
6 again, it's a known number. It's not going to
7 change.

8 And then the last measure, which I
9 think is the obvious one, is the actual policy
10 coverage. You know, when I buy life insurance,
11 I buy a million dollars worth of life
12 insurance. That's my policy. I don't buy a
13 policy that some actuary has projected will
14 cost my insurance company \$187,000 compared to
15 Mr. Robinson's \$176,000 for the same million
16 dollars.

17 That is how people buy insurance.
18 They buy the policy amount and that amount is
19 in their policy forms. Many of SHIP's forms
20 use a term "benefit account value" or "lifetime
21 maximum," but it's, basically, this formula.
22 If you're going to use any formula to suggest
23 to policyholders what relative values are, I
24 think that is a more meaningful one.

25 Just for the sake of illustration of

1 how all of these things fall out, Oliver Wyman
2 calculated, beginning on Slide 105, how
3 policyholders fare with each of these measures.
4 So this first slide, 105, is the one about
5 which the intervening state regulators have
6 written.

7 In this case, which is their
8 measure, in Phase One, 85 percent of
9 policyholders have at least one option, which
10 is at least as good as liquidation.

11 The other 15 percent arguably do
12 better using this measure than liquidation, or
13 other than liquidation.

14 Your Honor, even if you stop there,
15 even if this is all the information you had, I
16 would submit to you that because in
17 Pennsylvania we evaluate the better off
18 standard for policyholders as a group, not
19 every last one of them, that a plan that's
20 better for 85 percent is good enough.

21 But let me go on. We then looked at
22 the second measure I described to you, the bang
23 for the buck actuarial measure. In that one,
24 only 79 percent of policyholders do better. 21
25 percent would do better with liquidation.

1 Then in the next slide, Your Honor,
2 we analyzed the first maximum policy value
3 option and you can see that with that one, 89
4 percent of policyholders are better off and 11
5 percent do not have a better rehab option than
6 liquidation.

7 And then if you use my simple
8 approach of maximum policy value -- sorry, I
9 skipped over it. This is an actual policy less
10 premium, and that one is 96 percent in favor,
11 four percent do better in liquidation.

12 And then if you use simple policy
13 value, every policyholder has at least one
14 option in a plan that offers the same policy
15 values on liquidation.

16 Now, these are actuarial techniques.
17 So I can't sit here, Your Honor, and tell you
18 this one is right and this one is wrong. This
19 is the exercise of professional judgment.

20 I can tell you that no policyholder
21 ever knows what the present value future
22 benefits of his or her policy is or the present
23 value future premium or what the difference
24 between those two numbers is. But most
25 policyholders will be able to tell you, I have

1 half a million in insurance or three-quarters
2 of a million dollars in insurance or \$100,000
3 of insurance, I think that's what policyholders
4 look at. If you're going to give them
5 guidance, Your Honor, I think you ought to give
6 them guidance that is familiar to them.

7 We did put, on Slide 110, a table
8 that shows all the results I just summarized.
9 So no matter which measure you pick, Your
10 Honor, you see in Phase One, this plan offers
11 the majority of policyholders at least one
12 option to liquidation.

13 Now, the intervening state
14 regulators will tell you, that may be true, but
15 you are ignoring Phase Two. Well, that's
16 right. This doesn't have Phase Two in it
17 because I don't know what Phase Two will look
18 like. But I will make two suggestions to Your
19 Honor.

20 The first is, assume for a moment
21 that the world turns upside down and Phase Two
22 reverses these columns. That's not going to
23 happen. But let's just assume that. Even if
24 that were the case, Your Honor, just in Phase
25 One, we will have accomplished a lot of good.

1 And if we have to go into liquidation at the
2 time of Phase Two, so be it. But we will have
3 right sized the policy so that we have everyone
4 on a level playing field and we will have
5 chopped that deficit by half or more.

6 B, I'm not sure that they do worse
7 in Phase Two. We just can't tell yet how Phase
8 Two will be. But if most of our policyholders
9 choose Options 2 or 3 rather than Option 4 in
10 Phase One, it's not so bad in Phase Two. They
11 don't even get hit in Phase Two. So there is a
12 lot of speculation when we consider how is this
13 going to look in Phase Two.

14 BY MR. BROADBENT:

15 Q. Mr. Cantilo, I want to make sure --

16 A. You want me to stop talking?

17 Q. I want to make sure the record is
18 clear about this measure No. 5. Does the plan
19 provide every policyholder the opportunity to
20 buy coverage as valuable as they could have in
21 liquidation?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Do these computational measures
24 account for all of the factors on which a
25 policyholder might base a decision?

1 A. No. Of course not. Every
2 policyholder is going to have subjective
3 circumstances that differ from one to the
4 other. We did put on Slide 111 -- it's hardly
5 legible -- some considerations that are not in
6 these formulas and which I think are critically
7 important. So when we focus on better off
8 using just present value benefits less present
9 value of premium, we are ignoring things like
10 the value of choice.

11 I think for policyholders the
12 ability to right size their policies can be
13 very important. I can't assign a dollar and
14 cent value to that, but I know it's not zero
15 and it is zero in their calculation.

16 The fact that we offer, in the plan,
17 an enhanced non-forfeiture option that would
18 never be available in liquidation, I think
19 that's valuable. I think that's a reason to
20 support the rehab over liquidation. Those are
21 options in which policyholders never pay
22 another penny in that material coverage.

23 I think the ability to retain their
24 current policy, paying whatever the premium is
25 for that policy is going to be very valuable to

1 some policyholders, not available in
2 liquidation. In liquidation, no policyholder
3 will have the ability to pay the full premium
4 to keep their current policy which provides
5 benefits above the guaranty association limit.

6 And there are other things that are
7 less obvious but which we think are also
8 valuable and militate in favor of the plan. As
9 I said, the non-forfeiture option that we offer
10 is better than the one in the industry.

11 The plan, if Your Honor approves it
12 and it's implemented, will reserve the guaranty
13 association limits for our policyholders. They
14 are not giving that up. They will be right
15 sizing their policy.

16 And I submit, Your Honor, that
17 that's fair. But if we have to go into
18 liquidation in three years because the plan is
19 not as successful as I hope it will be, they
20 will have a full 300,000 or whatever the
21 guaranty association limit will be in another
22 state. We are not opposing that with our plan.

23 Q. Mr. Cantilo --

24 A. And, again, I think the value of
25 eliminating subsidies is something not taken

1 into account but incredibly important. Sorry.

2 Q. I notice that the rehab plan does
3 not offer a cashout option. Why is that?

4 A. So there are some states that permit
5 them. Most states or many states do not.

6 In our view, and by "our," I mean
7 mine and Commissioner Altman, as well as our
8 advisory team, cashout options are pretty
9 cynical. They offer policyholders some sum of
10 money, typically less than \$50,000, to give up
11 their long-term care coverage forever and ever.

12 If a policyholder really can't pay
13 anymore, the non-forfeiture option is a much
14 better course. That at least preserves some
15 coverage. These policies were sold as policies
16 without a cash value for a reason, and to now
17 manufacture an artificial cash value to induce
18 them to give up their coverage, as I say, I
19 think is pretty cynical. And there are a lot
20 of insurance regulators around the country that
21 feel strongly that way and will not approve
22 cashout options.

23 Q. Throughout your testimony,
24 Mr. Cantilo, you referred to the likelihood of
25 success of the plan. Do you know whether the

1 plan will reduce SHIP's deficit?

2 A. If a plan is implemented, it will
3 reduce SHIP's deficit. What I can't tell you
4 is whether it will eliminate it.

5 In all likelihood, it will not
6 eliminate it. In all likelihood, it will just
7 reduce it materially.

8 We have actually done some modelling
9 of that very important issue, and so if you
10 look at Slide 113, here are 11 scenarios. I
11 will be clear, Your Honor, that these are
12 artificial. We cannot pick what policyholders
13 will actually do, but each of these columns
14 represents a particular hypothetical take rate
15 for each option under the plan, and those take
16 rates are in the yellow boxes below that.

17 So, for example, Your Honor, in
18 Scenario 1, we assume that seven percent of the
19 policyholders will take Option 1, four percent
20 Option 2 and so on, and that the vast majority,
21 81 percent, will take Option 4, pay whatever it
22 takes to keep my policy.

23 If that were the scenario that
24 occurs, Your Honor, we will reduce the deficit
25 by \$525 million as shown above the bar there,

1 which is a little bit less than half of the
2 deficit.

3 Scenario 2 moves more people away
4 from Option 4 to the other options and
5 increases the reduction of the deficit and so
6 on. If you go all the way to the right, Your
7 Honor, to Scenario 11, where a very small
8 number of policyholders elect to pay the high
9 premium and keep their policy and the rest are
10 spread evenly among the other options, that
11 wipes out the deficit.

12 Now, I hasten to add, Your Honor, we
13 are not predicting Scenario 11. This is a
14 demonstration that the policyholders will be
15 the masters of the fate of the company here,
16 and if they stubbornly decide to stick to their
17 expensive policies, probably the most we can
18 hope to accomplish is cut the deficit in half.

19 But we worked hard in making the
20 other options attractive and hope fervently
21 that policyholders will select the other boxes.

22 The next graph will show why that is
23 so important. On this chart, Your Honor, we
24 show how effective each individual option is in
25 reducing the deficit. So on the left side is

1 zero, meaning zero percent of policyholders
2 take that option, and on the right side is a
3 hundred.

4 If a hundred percent of the
5 policyholders chose Option 4, which is the
6 bottom of the curve here, the one that ends at
7 227, if every policyholder says, I will pay
8 whatever it takes, don't mess with my policy,
9 we're only going to eliminate \$227 million of
10 the deficit.

11 On the other hand, Your Honor, if
12 100 percent of the policyholders decide to take
13 Option 3, we would create a \$136 million
14 surplus. And you can see in between where the
15 other options fall on this analysis.

16 Again, no one of these options is
17 going to get a hundred percent take rate. So
18 if you wanted to predict, you would move your
19 marker to the portion of the line for each
20 graph and add them up, and that's what we did
21 in the prior slide.

22 We attempted one more way to try to
23 figure out which way things would work out with
24 the plan, and that is Slide 115, which makes
25 the assumption that every policyholder will

1 select the economically rational policy. That
2 is an assumption that is much more sympathetic
3 to the U.S. policy by the state regulators.
4 It's probably not realistic because I think,
5 Your Honor, they ignore subjective factors.

6 But if you did that, you can see
7 that those take rates would produce deficit
8 reductions in the \$750 million range. And the
9 exact assumptions are spelled out in that blue
10 box just to the right.

11 Q. Mr. Cantilo, do any of these
12 scenarios take into account for Phase Two?

13 A. They do not. We, as I said, we have
14 not projected Phase Two yet. But as I also
15 suggested, if we do Phase One, chop \$700
16 million off the deficit and then decide we have
17 to liquidate, we're in better shape, especially
18 with right sizing the policies, than we are
19 today.

20 Q. I'm going to change topics here and
21 ask, Mr. Cantilo, why does the plan propose to
22 suspend payments on accrued commissions to stop
23 the accrual on the policyholder election date?

24 A. The basic reason is we don't think
25 the plan should put agents in a better position

1 than they would have in a liquidation at the
2 expense of policyholders. So if SHIP were
3 placed in liquidation, as happened in Penn
4 Treaty, we would suspend the accrual of
5 commissions and suspend the payment -- stop the
6 accrual of commissions and suspend the payment
7 of commissions until such time as policyholder
8 liabilities have been paid in full or at least
9 provision has been made for them, and that's
10 what the plan proposes.

11 The plan proposes to suspend agent
12 commissions until provisions have been made for
13 all the policyholder liabilities as regards to
14 commissions already approved, and to stop
15 accruing commissions once the company is in the
16 rehabilitation plan.

17 Q. Finally, Mr. Cantilo, can you
18 explain in sum, for Judge Leavitt. The
19 rationale for the plan?

20 A. Again, the key is to right size the
21 policies that we think the sporadic pricing or
22 the widely varying results to rate increase
23 requests has created both a giant subsidy and a
24 giant deficit column. So getting to have
25 policyholders pay a fair price for the coverage

1 that they are getting is a big goal and we hope
2 a benefit of the plan, that the subsidies that
3 have been the lightning rod for so much
4 regulatory angst in the last few years would be
5 eliminated under the plan prospectively,
6 although we can do nothing about them
7 retrospectively. But we think that's
8 essentially going to create equity for the
9 policyholders.

10 I think a plan that continues having
11 one policyholder pay Cadillac prices for a
12 Cadillac policy and another similar
13 policyholder paying VW prices for that policy,
14 I don't think it's a fair and equitable plan,
15 as the statute requires.

16 It's very important as -- it is
17 familiar for the Commissioner that the plan
18 offer meaningful choices and that we provide
19 policyholders the requisite information to make
20 informed decisions about those choices.

21 So we are devoting a lot of
22 attention to creating materials that will be
23 easily understood and we are devoting a lot of
24 attention to creating options that we think
25 will be attractive and lure people away from

1 the very expensive policies.

2 And then in deference to the
3 objections made to the first version of the
4 plan, we wanted to provide at least some
5 vehicle for states that believed they should
6 set the rates to do so. Albeit, as I said,
7 that even if they do, in reality, they are
8 going to be doing that for a lot of people that
9 don't reside in their states, and a lot of
10 people who do reside in their states will have
11 their rates set by someone else.

12 But that point aside, it at least
13 gives those states the opportunity to make
14 their own rate increase decisions.

15 And finally, I think the plan is
16 very flexible and very scaleable. It has a
17 great benefit of adjusting itself consistently
18 and continuously as policyholders make their
19 elections so that Phase Two, if and when it has
20 to be implemented, will be completely
21 responsive to what is left after Phase One.

22 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor,
23 that -- that reaches the conclusion of my
24 planned questioning for Mr. Cantilo. I would
25 ask the Court to indulge us a few moments off

1 the record while I review testimony that we had
2 planned and the exhibits that have been
3 proposed to see if there is anything else
4 additional I need to address with him.

5 JUDGE LEAVITT: You have it.
6 (Discussion held off the
7 record.)

8 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I
9 do not have anything further.

10 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Cantilo, I
11 just have a question about the communication
12 with the policyholders on their choices
13 available under the plan. You did provide some
14 illustrations of the materials that your plan
15 had developed, and you stated that people will
16 be able to ask questions online.

17 Are policyholders going to be able
18 to ask questions of a human being by phone?

19 THE WITNESS: They are. In
20 fact, Your Honor, we don't have an online
21 facility.

22 JUDGE LEAVITT: Oh. I
23 misunderstood. I thought --

24 THE WITNESS: We are going to
25 have a phone bank and we will staff it so that

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 198</p> <p>1 people who have questions can reach a human. 2 That is a big part of our initiative. What I 3 meant to describe, I may have misspoken, is we 4 are going to provide, either downloadable 5 online or by a CD or flash drive or some other 6 vehicle, a video that will walk policyholders 7 through the process, which we think, based on 8 other industries, is very helpful to inform 9 this group. 10 JUDGE LEAVITT: Do you know 11 how many agents are still contracting with 12 SHIP? 13 THE WITNESS: Well, the 14 commissions at issue are the renewal 15 commissions, so even though the agents may not 16 have had anything to do with SHIP or its 17 predecessor -- 18 JUDGE LEAVITT: Right, their 19 predecessor companies. 20 THE WITNESS: I don't actually 21 know the number. I seem to remember about 22 6,000, but I could be way off, Your Honor. I 23 would be happy to check it. 24 JUDGE LEAVITT: It was an 25 excellent walk-through of the rehabilitation</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 199</p> <p>1 plan. I don't know, the hour is ten after 2 3:00. Mr. Leslie, would you like to begin your 3 cross-examination today? I think, in any case, 4 we need a break. 5 MR. LESLIE: Your Honor, 6 starting cross and not finishing it is not 7 terribly desirable, but whatever the Court 8 approves is what we will do. 9 JUDGE LEAVITT: Does anybody 10 else intend cross-examination, agents, 11 Mr. Horwich? 12 MR. DONLEY: Joe Donley, Your 13 Honor, on behalf of the agents, I do, but like 14 Mr. Leslie, I would not want to have it 15 interrupted if we are going to have to stop at 16 4:00. 17 JUDGE LEAVITT: What about 18 NOLHGA? 19 MS. GLAWE: We would 20 appreciate the opportunity to review the 21 transcript tonight if there would be an 22 opportunity to ask questions tomorrow. I 23 expect very few, if any, though. 24 JUDGE LEAVITT: Is the 25 transcript going to be ready tomorrow? We can</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 200</p> <p>1 go off the record. 03:10 2 (Discussion held off the 03:10 3 record.) 03:10 4 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right. 03:10 5 Why don't we recess until tomorrow. We will 03:10 6 begin with Mr. Cantilo's cross-examination. 03:10 7 He's had a long day, as we all have. 03:11 8 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your 03:11 9 Honor. 03:11 10 (At 3:11 p.m., the proceedings 11 were adjourned.) 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 201</p> <p>1 2 C E R T I F I C A T E 3 - - - 4 I hereby certify that the proceedings and 5 evidence are contained fully and accurately in the 6 stenographic notes taken by me on the hearing of the 7 within cause, and that this is a correct transcript 8 of the same. 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 Karen A. Nickel 19 Certified Realtime Reporter 20 Registered Professional Reporter 21 22 23 24 25</p>

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1 hears otherwise, we're just going to go through
2 the list of counsel that have entered their
3 appearance one by one to conduct the
4 cross-examination.

5 And with that, we will turn now to
6 the cross-examination of Mr. Cantilo by the
7 state regulators.

8 SPEAKER: Reminder that the
9 witness is still under oath.

10 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor,
11 Michael Broadbent speaking. With Mr. Leslie's
12 permission, I just wanted to briefly address an
13 issue with the exhibits after the consulting
14 with the parties. Yesterday we informed the
15 Court all the parties had stipulated to the
16 exhibits' admissibility, but we didn't address
17 moving them in. We would like to actually
18 request that we move in all the identified
19 exhibits by the Rehabilitator at once and do so
20 now. And that is with the consent of the
21 parties that everyone has now, in fact, agreed
22 to do it that way.

23 JUDGE LEAVITT: We can do it
24 that way or you can do it at the completion of
25 your case after the actuary testifies.

PROCEEDINGS

JUDGE LEAVITT: Good morning,
everyone. Day 2 of the hearing on the
Insurance Commissioners plan, second amended
plan to rehabilitate the Senior Health
Insurance Company of Pennsylvania.

Just a few housekeeping matters for
the record. Mr. Cantilo's Curriculum Vitae is
marked as R-1.

The Rehabilitator's amended plan
will be R-2.

And R-3 will be the slides that were
used yesterday in Mr. Cantilo's testimony.

There are both counsel and pro se
intervenors participating in the hearing. If
you are pro se, please fill out a notice of
appearance, entitled Attorney's Notice of
Appearance, but please fill one out each day
when you arrive and be sure to give it to the
Court crier.

And also advise the Court either
with the Court crier or with Mr. Fink, maybe
you could stand up, Mr. Fink, so everyone knows
who you are, whether you expect to participate
in any cross-examination. Unless the Court

MR. BROADBENT: It may be
easier, Your Honor, to do it now so Mr. Leslie
or others can refer to --

JUDGE LEAVITT: They can in
any case refer to the exhibit by number whether
or not it's formally admitted, but I'm very
flexible. So if you would like to move those
R-1, 2 and 3 into the record and there are no
objections, if Mr. Broadbent is mistaken in
that regard, please make that known now.

Seeing nothing, by way of an
objection, they are admitted.

(Exhibits R-1, R-2, and R-3
were admitted into evidence.)

MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor,
just to clarify, was that just R-1 through 3?
What I am proposing is all of the remaining
exhibits, the 50 or so exhibits that we
identified.

JUDGE LEAVITT: Have they been
presented to the Court? I think they have to
be presented and separately marked before they
can be moved into evidence.

I'm not sure what you mean by the 50
exhibits; what are they?

1 MR. BROADBENT: The exhibits
2 that we identified in our prehearing filings.
3 We spoke with the parties as to the
4 admissibility but also as to whether to request
5 just moving them in all together at once, if
6 Your Honor would accept that. If Your Honor
7 does not, then we would address it in the way
8 you prefer, of course.

9 JUDGE LEAVITT: Well, it's a
10 little out of order. Normally each exhibit
11 gets marked, shared with all the parties and
12 the court reporter. Right now we have three
13 exhibits that have been marked.

14 If you want, we can go off the
15 record now and you can have the remaining
16 exhibits marked. Do you have hard copies for
17 the court reporter?

18 MR. BROADBENT: Yes.

19 JUDGE LEAVITT: Would you
20 prefer to do that and give a set to the Court
21 and to Mr. Fink?

22 MR. BROADBENT: That's fine
23 with us, yes.

24 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right. So
25 should we take -- how long will it take, five

1 minutes, ten minutes?

2 MR. BROADBENT: I have them
3 here available in numbered folders, so I don't
4 think it would take too long.

5 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.
6 Well, let's just take a five-minute break and
7 make sure that they are each marked and
8 sequenced, the Court has a set, Mr. Fink has a
9 set, and the court reporter.

10 We will recess for five minutes.

11 (Short recess taken.)

12 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right. I
13 apologize -- you may be seated -- for the
14 confusion. What we are going to do is have
15 each one of these exhibits identified for the
16 record. I understand the Rehabilitator would
17 like to have this group of exhibits begin with
18 the numbering RP 3; is that correct?

19 MR. BROADBENT: Well, what we
20 suggest doing, Your Honor, is RP 1 with the
21 number corresponding to the number of the
22 exhibit as proposed, which also corresponds to
23 the number of the exhibit as it was in
24 Mr. Cantilo's presentation.

25 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.

1 The exhibits that I was just shown begin with
2 3.

3 MR. BROADBENT: Yes. That's
4 because a handful of the exhibits were too
5 large to generate printed copies. They
6 resulted in hundreds of thousands of pages of
7 spreadsheet that would be difficult for the
8 Court and difficult to print. So proposed
9 Exhibit 1 and 2, for example, are two Excel
10 spreadsheets of actuarial assumptions which,
11 although part of the analysis of the
12 rehabilitation Special Deputy Rehabilitator and
13 part of the evidence that we believe is
14 important are not physically capable of being
15 printed in a way that would be useful to the
16 Court or the parties.

17 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.
18 This is very unusual.

19 THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I
20 don't know if this helps, but the documents we
21 marked as RP 1 and 2 are also in the stack that
22 you have in front of you. So we could change
23 the number to refer to the one in the stack.
24 So, for example, RP 1, I mean Exhibit 1 is RP 9
25 and Exhibit 2 is RP 55.

1 JUDGE LEAVITT: Which refers
2 to the rehabilitation plan?

3 THE WITNESS: RP 55 is the
4 Second Amended Rehabilitation Plan and
5 yesterday we marked that as Exhibit 2. And RP
6 1 is my Curriculum Vitae -- I'm sorry, that is
7 RP 9 and yesterday we marked that as Exhibit 1.
8 I am not going to confuse things further, Your
9 Honor, but I thought if we just referred to
10 them as Exhibits RP 9 and RP 55 and be
11 consistent all the way through.

12 JUDGE LEAVITT: Whatever makes
13 sense, but we are going to have to have done
14 now on the record is have each of those items
15 identified on the record, just a brief
16 statement of what they are.

17 If there is a stipulation of
18 counsel, you can do that, Mr. Broadbent, or one
19 of your colleagues, just say what RP 1 is, RP 2
20 and so forth and so on.

21 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you,
22 Your Honor. So I will identify them as RP 1 in
23 the way that Mr. Cantilo has proposed, and I
24 will end with what we will call RP 56, which
25 will be the slide deck presentation.

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 215</p> <p>1 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay.</p> <p>2 MR. BROADBENT: I believe that</p> <p>3 the stipulation to the admissibility of the</p> <p>4 exhibits with all counsel is sufficient for me</p> <p>5 to identify them myself.</p> <p>6 JUDGE LEAVITT: That is right.</p> <p>7 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor,</p> <p>8 RP 1 is an Excel spreadsheet. The exhibit name</p> <p>9 is Actuarial Assumption Summary 2021-01-11. It</p> <p>10 is a set of actuarial assumptions summarized as</p> <p>11 of January 11, 2021.</p> <p>12 RP 2 actuarial is -- the exhibit</p> <p>13 name is Actuarial Assumption Summary</p> <p>14 2021-01-22, which is also an Excel spreadsheet</p> <p>15 providing an inventory of actuarial assumptions</p> <p>16 as of that date.</p> <p>17 RP 3 is entitled Additional</p> <p>18 Information about SHIP and the Rehabilitation</p> <p>19 Plan. That document is presented to the Court</p> <p>20 in a hard copy form.</p> <p>21 RP 4 is the amended SHIP</p> <p>22 Rehabilitation Plan filed as of October 21,</p> <p>23 2021. That is the first amended plan which is</p> <p>24 presented in paper copy.</p> <p>25 RP 5 is an exhibit entitled Cash</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 216</p> <p>1 Flow Projections, which is a set of cash flow</p> <p>2 projections dated January 1st -- or January 11,</p> <p>3 2021, and that document is presented in hard</p> <p>4 copy.</p> <p>5 RP 6 is an exhibit Entitled</p> <p>6 Comparison of Rehabilitation to Liquidation.</p> <p>7 It is an Excel spreadsheet presented natively</p> <p>8 dated November 12, 2020.</p> <p>9 RP 7 is an exhibit titled Comparison</p> <p>10 of Rehabilitation to Liquidation Summary,</p> <p>11 summarizes RP 6. That document is presented in</p> <p>12 hard copy.</p> <p>13 RP 8 is the set of -- entitled</p> <p>14 Curriculum Vitae for Oliver Wyman actuaries.</p> <p>15 That exhibit is presented in hard copy.</p> <p>16 RP 1 is the Curriculum Vitae for</p> <p>17 Special Deputy Rehabilitator Patrick Cantilo.</p> <p>18 That document was earlier in the record</p> <p>19 identified as R-1. We are now proceeding with</p> <p>20 that document being numbered RP 9 as it was</p> <p>21 identified in our prehearing memoranda. That</p> <p>22 document is presented in hard copy.</p> <p>23 RP 10 is an exhibit entitled</p> <p>24 Exemplar Agency and Assignment Documents which</p> <p>25 presents certain agreements with respect to</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 217</p> <p>1 agent commissions and the assignment of that</p> <p>2 commission stream. That document is presented</p> <p>3 in hard copy.</p> <p>4 RP 11 is an exhibit entitled</p> <p>5 Finances-Q3 2020. It is a set of financial</p> <p>6 information from Q3 2020, presented in hard</p> <p>7 copy.</p> <p>8 RP 12 is an exhibit entitled</p> <p>9 Financials YTD December 2020. That exhibit</p> <p>10 represents SHIP's financials year to date as of</p> <p>11 December 2020.</p> <p>12 RP 13 is a general expense analysis</p> <p>13 for SHIP entitled General Expense Analysis.</p> <p>14 That document is presented in hard copy.</p> <p>15 Exhibit RP 14 is an exhibit entitled</p> <p>16 Illustrative Policyholder Guidance Page. It is</p> <p>17 a page drawn from the amended SHIP</p> <p>18 rehabilitation plan presenting the policyholder</p> <p>19 guidance, and it is presented in hard copy.</p> <p>20 RP 15 is an exhibit entitled Issue</p> <p>21 State Rate Approval. It summarizes the issue</p> <p>22 state rate approval option provided by the plan</p> <p>23 as of March 4, 2021. The document is presented</p> <p>24 in hard copy.</p> <p>25 RP 16 is an exhibit entitled Oliver</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 218</p> <p>1 Wyman Actuarial Report dated 2021-01-26. That</p> <p>2 exhibit is an actuarial report prepared by</p> <p>3 Oliver Wyman as of January 26, 2021. That</p> <p>4 exhibit is presented in hard copy.</p> <p>5 RP 17 is an exhibit entitled Oliver</p> <p>6 Wyman Assumption Report dated 2021-01-26. That</p> <p>7 exhibit is an assumption report prepared by</p> <p>8 Oliver Wyman as of January 26, 2021. That</p> <p>9 exhibit is presented in hard copy.</p> <p>10 RP 18 is an exhibit entitled Phase</p> <p>11 One Rehabilitation Plan Cumulative Excess</p> <p>12 Benefits Analysis dated 2021-03-24. That</p> <p>13 exhibit is presented in hard copy and offers a</p> <p>14 cumulative excess benefits analysis for the</p> <p>15 plan as of March 24, 2021.</p> <p>16 RP 19 is an exhibit entitled Phase</p> <p>17 One Rehabilitation Plan Funding Gap Exhibits</p> <p>18 (as of 6/30/2020) dated 2021-03-02. That</p> <p>19 document is presented in hard copy and offers</p> <p>20 certain exhibits related to the funding gap</p> <p>21 with respect to Phase One.</p> <p>22 RP 20 is an exhibit entitled -- if I</p> <p>23 didn't say it, RP 19 is presented in hard copy.</p> <p>24 RP 20 is an exhibit entitled Phase</p> <p>25 One Rehabilitation Plan Funding Gap Exhibits</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 219</p> <p>1 (as of 6/30/2020) dated 2021-04-02. That 2 document is presented in hard copy and also 3 presents certain funding gap exhibits as of 4 April 1 -- April 2, 2021. 5 RP 21 is an exhibit entitled Phase 6 One Rehabilitation Plan Results as of 7 6/30/2020. That document is presented in hard 8 copy. 9 RP 22 is an exhibit entitled Policy 10 Information as of December 31, 2020. It 11 presents certain information related to the 12 policies' premiums and reserves as of that date 13 presented in hard copy. 14 RP 23 is an exhibit entitled 15 Probability Weighted Scenario Results and 16 Analyses As to Possible Scenarios Under the 17 Plan, and that document is presented natively 18 in Excel. 19 RP 24 is an exhibit entitled Pro 20 Forma Adjusted for Removal of Reinsurance 21 Assumed Business. That document presents 22 certain financial analyses which have been 23 adjusted for the reinsurance assumed. The 24 document is presented in hard copy. 25 RP 25 is an exhibit entitled Q2 2020</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 220</p> <p>1 Liability Cash Flow and Gross Premium Reserve 2 Projections. That document contains an 3 analysis described in its title and it is 4 presented in native form in Excel. 5 RP 26 is an exhibit entitled Q4 6 Gross Premium Results and Analytics. It 7 provides the information described in its title 8 and is presented in hard copy. 9 RP 27 is an exhibit entitled Rate 10 Filing History, provides certain charts and 11 graphs related to the rate filing history of 12 SHIP. That document is presented in hard copy. 13 RP 28 is an exhibit entitled Rate 14 Increase History, presents certain charts and 15 graphs related to the rate increase of SHIP, 16 and that document is presented in hard copy. 17 RP 29 is an exhibit entitled 18 Seriatim File With Covered Liabilities and 19 Premium Information. That document presents 20 the information described in its title. It is 21 presented in native form in Excel. 22 RP 30 is an exhibit entitled 23 Seriatim Phase One Option Results. It contains 24 the information described in its title 25 presented in native form in Excel.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 221</p> <p>1 RP 31 is the annual report -- 2 exhibit entitled SHIP Annual Report 2021. It 3 is the annual report filed in the docket with 4 this Court in March of 2021. 5 Exhibit RP 32 is an exhibit entitled 6 SHIP Data Site Table of Contents. It provides 7 the Table of Contents as of May 17, 2021 for 8 the SHIP data site previously testified to by 9 Mr. Cantilo. That exhibit is offered in hard 10 copy. 11 RP 33 is an exhibit entitled SHIP 12 Policy and Product Overview, and it is a set of 13 slides providing summary of certain information 14 related to SHIP's policies and products. That 15 exhibit is offered in hard copy. 16 RP 34 is an exhibit entitled SHIP 17 Rehabilitation Election Response Audit Process, 18 provides a summary of the election audit SHIP 19 proposes to do in the event the plan is 20 approved. That exhibit is offered in hard 21 copy. 22 RP 35 is an exhibit entitled SHIP 23 Reinsurance as of October 1, 2020. That 24 exhibit summarizes SHIP's reinsurance business 25 as of that date and is presented in hard copy.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 222</p> <p>1 Exhibit RP 36 is an exhibit entitled 2 SHIP's Summary of Balance Sheet Changes, 3 provides the information described in its title 4 with respect to assets and liabilities and 5 other information and is presented in hard 6 copy. 7 RP 37 is an exhibit entitled 8 Standard Claim File. It is presented in native 9 form in .TXT file format. 10 Exhibit 38 is an exhibit entitled 11 Standard Files Data Layout. It identifies 12 certain information in the standard files -- 13 I'm sorry, certain standard information. That 14 exhibit is presented in hard copy. 15 RP 39, Standard Policy File, that 16 exhibit is presented natively in .TXT file 17 format. 18 RP 40 is an exhibit entitled 19 Treasury Bond Historical Rates, provides two 20 charts summarizing historical information 21 related to Treasury bonds presented in hard 22 copy. 23 There are no exhibits with the 24 numbers RP 41 and RP 42. 25 RP 43 is an exhibit entitled the</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 223</p> <p>1 Policies With Equal/Greater (PV benefits) minus 2 (PV premium) under the rehabilitation plan 3 (Phase One) relevant to liquidation, provides 4 analysis as described in the title. Exhibit is 5 offered in hard copy. 6 Exhibit RP 44 is entitled policies 7 with equal/greater (PV benefits)/(premium) 8 under the rehabilitation plan (Phase One) 9 relative to liquidation. Exhibit provides the 10 information described in its title and offered 11 in hard copy. 12 Exhibit RP 45 is an exhibit entitled 13 policies with equal/greater (MPV)/(premium) 14 under the rehabilitation plan (Phase One) 15 relative to liquidation. That document 16 provides the information described in its title 17 and is presented in hard copy. 18 Exhibit RP 46 is an exhibit entitled 19 policy with equal/greater (MPV)-(PV premium) 20 under the rehabilitation plan (Phase One) 21 relative to liquidation. Exhibit presents the 22 information described in its title and is 23 offered in hard copy. 24 RP 47 is an exhibit entitled 25 policies with equal/greater MPV under the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 224</p> <p>1 rehabilitation plan (Phase One) relative to 2 liquidation. That document presents the 3 information described in its title and is 4 offered in hard copy. 5 RP 48 is an exhibit entitled 6 Additional Policyholder Guidance and Analysis 7 (basic policy or enhanced RPU) provides certain 8 guidance related to a specific policy under the 9 plan and presented in hard copy. 10 RP 49 is an exhibit entitled 11 Additional Policyholder Guidance and Analysis 12 (basic policy) and provides certain guidance 13 related to a specific policy under the plan and 14 is offered in hard copy. 15 Exhibit RP 50 is an exhibit entitled 16 Comparison of Rate Increase to Annual Premium 17 and Annual Premium Including Unapproved Rate 18 Increases, provides the information described 19 in its title with respect to certain states and 20 is presented in hard copy. 21 Exhibit RP 51 is an exhibit entitled 22 Rate Filing History Table, provides a summary 23 of rate filing history for all states, 24 presented in hard copy. 25 Exhibit RP 52 is an exhibit entitled</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 225</p> <p>1 History of Actuarial Assumptions, it is a 2 report prepared by Oliver Wyman offering the 3 information described in its title. It is 4 presented in hard copy. 5 Exhibit RP 53 is an exhibit entitled 6 Rate Filing Histories Table, spreadsheet. It 7 is presented in native form in Excel and 8 provides information related to the rate filing 9 history of SHIP with respect to all states. 10 Exhibit RP 54 is an exhibit entitled 11 Actuarial Memorandum December 31, 2011. It is 12 an actuarial memorandum prepared for SHIP on 13 the date identified and it is offered in hard 14 copy. 15 Exhibit RP 55 is the Second Amended 16 Plan For Rehabilitation proposed by the 17 Rehabilitator. It is presented in hard copy as 18 previously filed with the Court on its docket. 19 It was referenced yesterday as R-2 and will be 20 for the remainder of the proceedings identified 21 as RP 55. 22 RP 56 is the slide presentation 23 presented by Mr. Cantilo during his testimony 24 on May 17, 2021, in this Court. The document 25 has been presented to the Court in hard copy</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 226</p> <p>1 and is or upon request will be made available 2 to the parties in digital format, in some cases 3 in hard copy. That document was previously 4 referred to as R-3 and will be going forward 5 referred to as RP 56. 6 And Your Honor, I have reached the 7 end of the list. 8 JUDGE LEAVITT: Thank you. 9 With the stipulation of all the intervenors, 10 those exhibits are all admitted. 11 (Exhibits RP-1 through RP-56, 12 excluding RP-41 and RP-42, were marked for 13 identification and admitted into evidence.) 14 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right. We 15 will now proceed to Mr. Cantilo's 16 cross-examination. 17 Mr. Smith and Mr. Leslie, are you 18 both going to be questioning Mr. Cantilo? 19 MR. LESLIE: Your Honor, this 20 is David Leslie. No; I will be the attorney 21 cross-examining. 22 JUDGE LEAVITT: You may 23 proceed. 24 MR. LESLIE: Thank you, Your 25 Honor. Thank you for the courtesy of allowing</p>

1 me to sit here. Hopefully my voice will carry
2 throughout the room and not too much of a
3 volume.

4 Secondly, in demonstration of the
5 comity that regulators can show one another,
6 the Rehabilitators' counsel has graciously
7 agreed to project various documents onto the
8 screen when I get there so everyone can see
9 those. So, thank you.

10 CROSS-EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. LESLIE:

12 Q. Mr. Cantilo, were the approximately
13 39,000 long-term care policies you testified to
14 yesterday as in force on the date the
15 rehabilitation order entered, were they
16 enforceable contracts as against SHIP?

17 A. I have not analyzed each one
18 individually, but I have no reason to believe
19 that they were not enforceable contracts.

20 Q. So you don't contend that they were
21 unlawful contracts that were fraudulent or
22 lacked consideration or in some other way were
23 not suitable to be enforced?

24 A. I do not.

25 Q. Were the premium rates charged on

1 April.

2 I do know that eventually we
3 withdrew the ones that had not been resolved
4 after the plan was filed.

5 Q. But you don't contend that the
6 premium rates that were being charged by SHIP
7 at that point in time were unlawful, they were
8 the approved rates; is that correct?

9 A. I do not contend they were unlawful.

10 Q. Okay. How many of those 39,000
11 policies are eligible for one of the options
12 under the proposed plan?

13 A. Assuming that the plan is approved,
14 all of the policies would be entitled to select
15 any of the options, although -- let me correct
16 that. All of the policies that have not
17 already taken non-forfeiture option status
18 would be able to select one of the four
19 options, although for a number of them, Options
20 1 and 4 would be meaningless.

21 Q. Do you recall how many of those
22 39,000 policyholders had already elected a
23 non-forfeiture option?

24 A. That would be 9,000.

25 Q. So is it correct that of the 39,000

1 those policies the rates that were approved by
2 insurance regulators across the United States
3 and at that point in time the date that the
4 rehabilitation order entered?

5 A. Again, I have not evaluated each one
6 individually, but I have no reason to believe
7 that they were not all approved by the
8 regulators when issued.

9 Q. So on the date that the
10 rehabilitation order entered, were there any
11 outstanding litigation over rates, SHIP rates
12 with any regulator, were there any
13 administrative proceedings pending over rate
14 reviews?

15 A. There was no litigation pending of
16 which I am aware. There may still have been
17 pending at that time action by state insurance
18 regulators on previously filed rate increase
19 approvals or, rather, requests.

20 Q. But you don't know; you're saying
21 they may, but you don't know?

22 A. I don't remember precisely. I know
23 that there were some before the plan was filed
24 in April. I don't know whether all of them had
25 been resolved by the time the plan was filed in

1 policies, approximately 30,000 are subject to
2 one of the options under the proposed plan?

3 A. I am not sure what you mean by
4 "subject to."

5 Q. Meaning eligible to elect one of the
6 five options?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Okay. Because the non-forfeiture,
9 those who have elected a non-forfeiture option
10 will not be selecting an option under the
11 proposed plan?

12 A. That is correct.

13 Q. And that 30,000 correlates to the
14 number of LTC policies in effect for SHIP at a
15 high point of -- do you recall?

16 A. At the height, SHIP had about three
17 hundred and I think fifty thousand policies in
18 force at one time.

19 Q. Do you recall what the premium on
20 long-term care policies was in 2020?

21 A. I'm sorry, Mr. Leslie, I don't
22 understand the question. Are you asking me
23 what is the aggregate premium SHIP was
24 collecting or what was the average premium per
25 policy or something else?

1 Q. Do you recall your testimony
2 yesterday about the premium that was charged in
3 2020 on long-term care insurance?

4 A. No. I'm still not clear on what
5 your question is, sir.

6 Q. Okay. Could you pull up Slide 14
7 from yesterday's testimony.

8 A. I see the slide and I recall it.

9 Q. And how much premium was charged
10 last year for long-term -- collected last year
11 for long-term care insurance?

12 A. Again, are you asking me in the
13 aggregate?

14 Q. I'm asking you what the annual
15 premium was as of 12/31/2020.

16 A. Well, the annual premium for all the
17 policies in force at that time was \$58 million.

18 Q. Is that long-term care insurance or
19 all lines?

20 A. That's long-term care insurance.

21 Q. So the premium for 2020 long-term
22 care annual premium was \$58 million?

23 A. That is my understanding.

24 Q. So the \$58 million is the premium
25 that we're dealing with here for purposes of

1 determining the premium increases under options
2 in Phase One or the benefit reductions in Phase
3 One?

4 A. If your question is are we basing
5 Phase One on If Knew Premium, the answer is
6 yes.

7 Q. That was my question. So if two
8 thirds of the policies are not paying If Knew
9 Premium, those policies could, depending on the
10 option selected by the policyholder, could be
11 -- could receive additional premium or benefit
12 reductions?

13 A. That is true.

14 Q. The remaining one third, where
15 policyholders are currently paying the If Knew
16 Premium, those policyholders do not need to
17 elect an option that will increase their
18 premium or reduce their premium because If Knew
19 Premium is the basis for Option 2; is that
20 correct or incorrect?

21 A. That is true.

22 Q. So are we really dealing with two
23 thirds of the \$58 million of premium here for
24 purposes of adjustments?

25 A. No.

1 the plan; correct?

2 A. Again, I don't understand that
3 question.

4 Q. Well, let me ask it to you a little
5 differently. Yesterday you testified that a
6 certain portion of policies are already paying
7 the If Knew Premium; do you recall that?

8 A. I do.

9 Q. So what percentage of those policies
10 are paying the If Knew Premium?

11 A. I think it's about 38 percent.

12 Q. So those policies paying If Knew
13 Premium, are they subject to adjustment in
14 Phase One?

15 A. That depends on the election they
16 make. If they elect Options 1 or 4, there
17 would be no adjustment. If they elected
18 Options 2, 2A or 3, there could be adjustments.

19 Q. Okay. So If Knew Premium underlies
20 the adjustments in Phase One; is that correct,
21 either premium increases or benefit reductions;
22 is that correct?

23 A. I'm sorry, I didn't hear the first
24 part of your question.

25 Q. Is If Knew Premium the basis for

1 Q. What are we dealing with?

2 A. The full amount, because even those
3 policyholders who are currently paying If Knew
4 Premium will be given the option to elect
5 Options 2, 2A or 3.

6 Q. And if they elect Options 2, 2A or
7 3, will their premium go up?

8 A. I don't know.

9 Q. You don't know? Do you know if
10 their premium will go down?

11 A. I do not. I have not requested
12 information or have not reviewed information.

13 Q. You don't have a sense of the
14 relativity between the If Knew Premium and the
15 benefits available under 2, 2A and 3?

16 A. You would have to compare the
17 benefits of the current policy to the benefits
18 offered by whichever option you're looking at.
19 If the benefits offered by the selected option
20 were more generous than those in the current
21 policy, I would expect the premium to go up.
22 If the benefits in the selected option were
23 less generous, I would expect the premium to go
24 down.

25 Q. Thank you. Are you aware of any

1 life and health insurance company that has been
2 placed in the rehabilitation which has resolved
3 a \$1.2 billion deficit successfully in that
4 rehabilitation?

5 A. I think that depends on what you
6 mean by resolved that deficit successfully. I
7 think in some respects, the rehabilitation plan
8 for the First Capital Life Company, in which I
9 was involved, and the plan for Executive Life
10 Insurance Company in which I was involved could
11 be viewed as successful rehabilitation plans,
12 and both of those involved deficits essentially
13 larger than \$1.2 billion.

14 Q. Did either of those companies end up
15 going into liquidation?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Did they both go into liquidation?

18 A. Well, it's actually three insurers,
19 I do believe that all three went to
20 liquidation. I know at least two of them had
21 fully paid off their policyholder liabilities
22 before they did.

23 Q. Before they paid off all their
24 policyholder liabilities and then went into
25 rehabilitation?

1 A. Perhaps, Mr. Leslie, it would be
2 helpful to me if you define what you mean
3 continue in existence.

4 Q. Well, at some point, one would think
5 an insurance regulator would deal with the
6 insolvency of an insurance company. And I'm
7 trying to understand your view on how long an
8 insolvency can exist. Can an insurance company
9 continue to pay operating expenses, can it
10 continue to pay -- in the case of SHIP, are
11 claims currently being paid?

12 A. In the case of SHIP, we are paying
13 claims in full, yes.

14 Q. So could an insurer continue to pay
15 its administrative expenses, continue to pay
16 policyholders, even though it has a billion
17 dollar deficiency, indefinitely under the
18 insurance laws, in your opinion?

19 A. If you are asking me would an
20 insurance company that has a billion two
21 insolvency be able to pay in full all of the
22 liabilities arising under its insurance
23 policies and all of the expenses necessary to
24 pay those liabilities, based on my experience,
25 I would not expect that to be the case.

1 A. At least one that's the case. In
2 the Fidelity Bankers case, we paid off the
3 policyholder liabilities, created a
4 policyholder dividend and that was at
5 liquidation.

6 Q. Those three companies all went into
7 liquidation; right or wrong?

8 A. That is the best of my recollection.

9 Q. And you were involved in those three
10 insurance companies' receiverships; correct?

11 A. That is correct.

12 Q. So the resolution of a funding gap,
13 a deficit, statutory negative surplus, in your
14 opinion, and yesterday you were called as an
15 expert, in your opinion, can an insurance
16 company continue in existence with a billion
17 dollars of negative net worth?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. It can?

20 A. It can continue in existence, if
21 that's your question.

22 Q. So an insurance regulator, in
23 compliance with the laws which -- can keep an
24 insolvent insurance company in existence
25 indefinitely, in your opinion?

1 Q. Correct. Does the ability of the
2 plan to bridge the \$1.2 billion funding gap
3 depend on policyholders agreeing or being
4 required to accept benefits below the guaranty
5 association caps?

6 A. I'm sorry, you used the term
7 breached? I'm interpreting your question --
8 I'm sorry.

9 Q. Let me repeat it again, if I could,
10 please.

11 Does the ability of the plan to
12 bridge the \$1.2 billion funding gap depend on
13 policyholders agreeing to or being required to
14 accept benefits below the guaranty association
15 caps?

16 A. That is not a requirement of the
17 plan, although I anticipate that some
18 policyholder election would have that effect.

19 Q. I would like to ask the witness some
20 questions about Exhibit RP 16, if you could
21 pull that up. And Mr. Cantilo, do you have the
22 -- do you have a paper copy of the exhibits?

23 A. I have a small one, yes. No, I'm
24 sorry, not the full exhibit. You mean the
25 slides or the exhibits?

1 Q. The exhibits that counsel just --
 2 A. I do not.
 3 Q. You don't. Okay. Well, with your
 4 indulgence, then, I would --
 5 A. I have them on the screen.
 6 Q. Do you recognize the Oliver Wyman
 7 actuarial report on the screen?
 8 A. I do.
 9 Q. Are you familiar with it?
 10 A. Somewhat. I am not an actuary, but
 11 I have read it.
 12 Q. As the special deputy liquidator,
 13 this actuarial report, would it be something
 14 you would read and --
 15 A. Yes, sir.
 16 Q. -- seek to understand?
 17 A. Yes, sir.
 18 Q. Okay. Let's go to Page 11 of this
 19 report, if we could. Can you see that on the
 20 screen, Mr. Cantilo?
 21 A. I can.
 22 Q. Okay. I draw your attention to the
 23 first line, there are two blocks of
 24 illustrations here, and I want to draw your
 25 attention to the first line entitled Current

1 which exceeds the guaranty fund limits, does
 2 that leave you with a \$600 million gap you
 3 would otherwise have to fill in order for the
 4 plan to fill and satisfy the funding gap?
 5 A. It leaves 600 million.
 6 Q. If the gross premium reserves
 7 reflect covered and uncovered liabilities,
 8 being the covered and uncovered liabilities of
 9 the guaranty funds, does that mean that
 10 approximately \$600 million of covered benefits
 11 need to either buy the voluntary action of
 12 policyholders or through the operation of the
 13 plan have to be reduced?
 14 A. If you are asking me in order to
 15 reduce the liabilities to fully cover
 16 liabilities, the \$600 million in liabilities
 17 have to be eliminated, hypothetically, that
 18 makes sense.
 19 Q. So the financial statements of SHIP,
 20 are they filed in accordance with statutory
 21 accounting principles?
 22 A. They were before SHIP was placed
 23 under rehabilitation.
 24 Q. When you filed the 2020 financials,
 25 were those prepared in accordance with

1 Reserves in the topmost block.
 2 Do you see that?
 3 A. I do.
 4 Q. So the gross premium reserve, can
 5 you explain what that is?
 6 A. It is the projection for the total
 7 liabilities expected to arise under the
 8 policies in force in excess of the premium
 9 available to fund them.
 10 Q. Is this a present value calculation
 11 of those obligations net of a present value of
 12 premium?
 13 A. Yes.
 14 Q. So present value underlies the
 15 calculation of the gross premium reserve?
 16 A. Correct.
 17 Q. And the next number is the funding
 18 gap, which is \$1.2 billion. The uncovered
 19 reserve, what is that?
 20 A. That is a portion of the projected
 21 liabilities that is expected to exceed the
 22 applicable guaranty association limits for
 23 those policyholders.
 24 Q. Okay. So if we take the funding gap
 25 of \$1.2 billion and subtract the \$606 million

1 statutory accounting principles?
 2 A. There were no 2020 financials filed.
 3 Q. Filed. Okay. Could we draw up
 4 Exhibit RP 12. We'll be going back to this
 5 exhibit. Okay.
 6 So when you used the word "filed,"
 7 do you mean filed with the various states?
 8 A. I interpreted your question to be
 9 asking about that, and that's the way in which
 10 I intended that response.
 11 Q. This financial statement, was it
 12 prepared in accordance with statutory
 13 accounting principles?
 14 A. I did not prepare that statement so
 15 I can't answer the question.
 16 Q. Was it prepared under your
 17 supervision?
 18 A. I requested it be prepared.
 19 Q. Is this number critical to analysis
 20 of the financial condition of SHIP?
 21 A. It is important.
 22 Q. Doesn't this calculate the funding
 23 gap; isn't the funding gap dependent upon these
 24 financial statements?
 25 A. The funding gap is not dependent on

1 the financial statements. This statement does
2 purport to summarize the funding gap.

3 Q. So just to make clear, this, these
4 financial statements were prepared in
5 accordance with statutory accounting
6 principles, yes or no?

7 A. I don't know the answer to that.

8 Q. You don't know. Were they required
9 to be prepared in accordance with statutory
10 accounting principles?

11 A. No.

12 Q. Is the \$1.2 billion funding gap
13 reflected -- let's go back to the previous
14 exhibit if you would, please, RP 16 -- this
15 gross premium reserve number of 2.684 million,
16 is this predicated on a statutory accounting
17 principles analysis?

18 A. I am not sure how you use the word
19 "predicated." I believe that that result was
20 determined in accordance with statutory
21 accounting principles.

22 Q. So the funding gap number flows from
23 that; correct?

24 A. It does.

25 Q. So the uncovered reserve of \$606

1 beyond what our investment advisors recommend.

2 Q. Sure. Let's just stay with what you
3 have submitted here as Exhibits, then. So this
4 funding gap analysis is predicated on a
5 comparison of the statutory reserves, compared
6 to the guaranty funds benefits, and it yields
7 \$606 million of uncovered reserve. The
8 difference between 606 million and \$1.2
9 billion, would you agree it needs to be
10 addressed if the funding gap is to be
11 eliminated?

12 A. If the funding gap is to be
13 eliminated, the full funding gap needs to be
14 addressed. I am confused by your continued use
15 of the word "predicated." The plan does not
16 depend on which portion of the funding gap is
17 covered and which portion is not covered by
18 guaranty associations.

19 Q. My original question was do
20 policyholders have to agree to reduce their
21 benefits below the guaranty fund benefit gap
22 level voluntarily or does it have to be
23 compelled in order to eliminate the funding
24 gap. That was my question.

25 A. I understood your question. As I

1 million is the portion of the funding gap not
2 covered by guaranty fund benefits; correct?

3 A. That is correct, yes.

4 Q. So in order to reduce the funding
5 gap to zero, would you need to have
6 policyholders agree to accept reductions in
7 their benefits below the guaranty fund limits
8 or otherwise impose through the plan a
9 reduction in their benefits?

10 A. We would need reductions in
11 liability or increases in revenue which, in the
12 aggregate, would exceed -- match or exceed \$1.2
13 billion. That exercise is not dependent on the
14 portion that's covered by guaranty
15 associations.

16 Q. So the funding gap could be reduced
17 if the capital markets increased the return on
18 the investments of SHIP?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Okay. Are you anticipating that?

21 A. I'm hopeful.

22 Q. But have your calculations taken
23 that into consideration?

24 A. I'm afraid I don't have a crystal
25 ball so we do not project future interest rates

1 believe I said, the plan does not require
2 policyholders to reduce their benefits below
3 guaranty associations. It is not a term of the
4 plan. The results of elections may be that
5 they do so.

6 Q. If the current reserve line was the
7 -- I'll put it a little differently.

8 So if we subtract the 606 million
9 from the \$1.2 billion, we have a remaining
10 deficit in the funding gap, and you and I have
11 discussed what that means.

12 But the \$606 million is a claim of
13 policyholders under their policies. It is not
14 covered by the guaranty funds.

15 As it stands today, that is a claim
16 against SHIP; is that correct?

17 A. The uncovered portion of the funding
18 gap is an anticipated benefit liability to
19 policyholders. We would expect that over time,
20 requests for benefits or claims would be
21 submitted for those benefits.

22 Q. All right. The gross premium
23 reserve number which was generated by Oliver
24 Wyman, it is in the Oliver Wyman report, is the
25 methodology they used here the same methodology

1 as an actuary would use for a solvent long-term
2 care writer in determining the gross premium
3 reserve?

4 A. I assume that, but I can't say that
5 I know from firsthand knowledge, as I was not
6 there when it was done and I did not ask
7 whether that was the case.

8 Q. So using the Oliver Wyman gross
9 premium reserve, which has been used in your
10 financial statements for 12/31/20; is that
11 correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. We have a projected, these are
14 Oliver Wyman's numbers, we have a projected
15 unrecovered reserve of \$606 million, which is,
16 I believe, the present value of future benefits
17 net the present value of future premium. Is
18 that your understanding as well?

19 A. If I understand your question, the
20 answer is yes.

21 Q. So if policyholders had that claim,
22 and if this company was in liquidation, would
23 they have a claim against the assets of SHIP
24 for that \$606 million?

25 A. Yes.

1 policyholders for their uncovered benefits?

2 A. If that were realized, that would be
3 the fact. We make that assumption to create
4 the most conservative analysis. We recognize
5 the possibility that the law will turn out that
6 they will not get that liquidation dividend, in
7 which case that would not be the effect.

8 Q. Is it the position of the
9 Pennsylvania Insurance Department that a
10 liquidation dividend is applicable to benefits
11 in excess of the policy limits, the guaranty
12 fund policy limits?

13 A. The Pennsylvania Insurance
14 Department is taking that position in a
15 different case than this one.

16 Q. Yes. Are you aware of any decision
17 anywhere in the United States that has found
18 that benefits in excess of guaranty fund policy
19 limits are not claims for which recovery from
20 the estate is available?

21 A. Well, you're asking me a legal
22 question so --

23 Q. You're an expert, Mr. Cantilo.

24 A. I think some parties interpret the
25 Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision of the

1 Q. And did the liquidator -- did the
2 Rehabilitator project a liquidation dividend
3 applicable to that?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Of?

6 A. About 49 percent.

7 Q. So if we look at the gross premium
8 reserve, and if we use these numbers that
9 Oliver Wyman has projected, of the gross
10 premium reserve liability, all but 606 million
11 is covered by the guaranty funds; is that
12 correct?

13 A. I think that's probably true.

14 Q. And of the 606 million that's left,
15 the liquidation dividend, the 49 percent, would
16 be paid?

17 A. That depends on the resolution of an
18 issue currently pending before this Court.

19 Q. It is a legal question, yes. But I
20 am only talking about this illustration in the
21 Oliver Wyman report.

22 So the Oliver Wyman report is
23 projecting a 49 percent liquidation dividend.
24 So would that -- would that dividend percentage
25 apply to the 606 reduce the loss suffered by

1 Warrantech case as making that holding.

2 Q. Yes, I've read that. I asked about
3 other states. Are you aware of any state, and
4 you have considerable experience with insurance
5 company receiverships and liquidations. Are
6 you aware of any state, any decision where a
7 liquidation dividend of this type was not
8 available to policyholders who had uncovered
9 benefits?

10 A. None come to mind today, no.

11 Q. So it's the position of the
12 Pennsylvania department you are unaware of any
13 case anywhere else in the United States to the
14 contrary that policyholders would be entitled
15 to share in the assets of the estate to the
16 extent that their claim exceeds the guaranty
17 fund limit?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. So if one moves these numbers across
20 and applies that 49 percent to the 406 -- to
21 the \$606 million, that's the net adverse effect
22 to policyholders in liquidation; isn't it?

23 A. No.

24 Q. Why not?

25 A. Because there are other factors than

1 these calculations that affect the impact of
2 liquidation on policyholders.

3 Q. Tell me what they are.

4 A. There are many. I can tell you some
5 that come to mind now. In a liquidation,
6 policyholders would be unable, at least in many
7 cases, to continue to retain their full
8 coverage even if they are able and willing to
9 pay the premium for that.

10 In a liquidation, they would not be
11 able to select the non-forfeiture option that
12 is offered under the plan. So that would be an
13 adverse effect of liquidation.

14 In a liquidation, they would not
15 have the array of meaningful choices that the
16 plan offers. So in my mind, that would be an
17 adverse effect of liquidation.

18 Q. So the adverse effect is the absence
19 of choices to accept benefits lower than the
20 guaranty fund benefit level?

21 A. Well, that is an argument,
22 Mr. Leslie. In my mind, the adverse effect is
23 the absence of meaningful choices.

24 Q. That's just fine. I think we are
25 saying the same thing. So carrying over the

1 option, a benefit option to policyholders of an
2 insolvent company at a level lower than the
3 guaranty fund benefits?

4 A. I have not looked at that question.
5 I don't know whether each of the individual
6 guaranty association acts permits guaranty
7 associations to do that, but sitting here today
8 I know of no reason why they could not.

9 Q. So you have testified that
10 meaningful choice is of significant value to
11 policyholders?

12 A. I believe so.

13 Q. Before putting together the plan and
14 its options, did you consult with NOLHGA about
15 the possibility of offering those kind of
16 meaningful choices below the guaranty
17 association limits?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Why not?

20 A. Because there is no practical way to
21 do that.

22 Q. What do you mean there is no
23 practical way to do that?

24 A. Based on my experience, had I
25 reached out to NOLHGA and asked exactly the

1 current reserve number to the right-hand
2 column, the net uncovered reserve after the
3 liquidation dividend is \$309 million?

4 A. Approximately, yes.

5 Q. These are the Oliver Wyman numbers
6 in this illustration. So in the case of SHIP's
7 liquidation, the policyholders in the aggregate
8 would lose \$309 million; do you disagree with
9 that?

10 A. For all the reasons I explained in
11 response to your prior question, yes, I don't
12 think that that \$309 million is the total
13 amount they lose in liquidation.

14 Q. Well, your answer was that they lose
15 meaningful choice in liquidation.

16 A. That was part of my answer.

17 Q. Do you quantify that? Are you able
18 to quantify meaningful choice?

19 A. Nope.

20 Q. Okay. So it's an intangible benefit
21 that you perceive that policyholders would
22 have?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. All right. So is it your opinion
25 that guaranty associations may not offer up an

1 question you just asked, the most likely
2 response I would have gotten is that NOLHGA
3 itself cannot bind its individual members to
4 make that kind of commitment and that they do
5 not have information as to whether each of
6 their original members would make that
7 commitment.

8 Q. So is it your opinion that if the
9 Pennsylvania Commissioner of Insurance
10 determined that a liquidation best served the
11 interests of policyholders, so that they only
12 suffered the \$309 million of loss, you could
13 not present an array of options to NOLHGA and
14 ask them to consider whether that would be
15 possible in the circumstances of SHIP's
16 liquidation?

17 A. That's not my testimony.

18 Q. I'm sorry, I couldn't hear you.

19 A. That is not my testimony.

20 Q. Okay. So you don't believe there is
21 a practical option for you to have consulted
22 with NOLHGA about offering benefits less than
23 the guaranty fund limits; is that your
24 testimony?

25 A. That is right.

1 Q. Let me draw your attention to the
2 Exhibit 2.5, the lower half of this page, which
3 is an array of options, again, in the Oliver
4 Wyman report.

5 Are you familiar with these ten
6 options?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Okay. Are any of these options
9 predicated on any experience that you've had
10 with a liquidation?

11 A. There were no other long-term care
12 liquidations before the Penn Treaty case, so
13 the only experience to which we could refer was
14 the Penn Treaty case. The conservative
15 scenario is derived in part from the Penn
16 Treaty experience.

17 Q. Yes, sir. Is Scenario 1 derived in
18 part from the Penn Treaty experience?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And that would be Penn Treaty in
21 liquidation, not Penn Treaty in rehabilitation;
22 is that correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. So Scenario 1, which is loosely
25 based on Penn Treaty, is that a -- is the use

1 of the word "loosely" there fair?

2 A. The words I used were "derived in
3 part."

4 Q. Okay. I will use those, too, then.
5 So Scenario 1 was derived in part from the
6 experience that the liquidator had with Penn
7 Treaty?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And under that experience, looking
10 at the options -- let me go back a step.

11 Were these options calculated based
12 on the liquidator's seriatim file that looks at
13 each individual policyholder and offers an
14 array of ways to test the policyholders -- the
15 effect on policyholders of the options?

16 A. When you say "these options," are
17 you referring to the options summarized on this
18 exhibit?

19 Q. Yes.

20 A. They were derived from an analysis
21 by the Rehabilitator of the seriatim data file.

22 Q. Okay. How is that different than
23 the -- I will take that -- withdraw that.

24 So Scenario 1, which is in part
25 based upon the Penn Treaty experience, seven

1 percent of policyholders would select Option 1;
2 right?

3 A. That is the assumption we made for
4 that scenario.

5 Q. The assumption is derived in part
6 from the Penn Treaty actual experience; right?

7 A. Well, the plan options differ
8 materially from what was offered to
9 policyholders in the Penn Treaty liquidation.
10 So it's not an apples to apples comparison.
11 But we did make hypothetical assumptions in
12 each scenario for what we call the take rate,
13 the number of policyholders selecting each
14 option in each scenario, and in Scenario 1, a
15 hypothetical assumption is that seven percent
16 of the policyholders would have taken that
17 option.

18 Q. So Option Scenarios 2 through 10,
19 are they predicated in part on actual
20 experience with any insurance company in
21 liquidation, long-term care writer in
22 liquidation or the like?

23 A. They are based in part on what we
24 infer from the industry's experience as a whole
25 in response to rate increase requests and in

1 part on the Penn Treaty experience.

2 Q. Okay.

3 A. Although no specific insurance
4 company data is embedded in those projections.

5 Q. Have you submitted any exhibits
6 illustrating that comparative industry
7 experience?

8 A. No.

9 Q. So of these ten scenarios --

10 A. Mr. Leslie, I should add, in
11 fairness to you, all of these are based on
12 judgments. This is all the exercise of
13 judgment by myself and our advisors in
14 calculating the scenarios.

15 Q. Thank you. That is helpful.

16 So of the ten, though, isn't
17 Scenario 1 the one that has, you know, some
18 correlation to an actual Pennsylvania long-term
19 care insurance company liquidation?

20 A. Well, as I said, we took the
21 experience of the Penn Treaty case into account
22 in all of the scenarios. We elected one -- we
23 wanted one to be the most conservative and
24 elected to base it more on the Penn Treaty
25 experience than industry or other experience.

1 Q. So under Scenario 1, 81 percent of
2 the policyholders would be expected to select
3 Option 4?

4 A. Right, as I mentioned yesterday.

5 Q. And does Option 4, of the five
6 options, does it have the best or the worst
7 effect in reducing the funding gap?

8 A. In general, Option 4 is the least
9 effective at reducing the funding gap.

10 Q. So if 81 percent of the
11 policyholders selected Option 4, after Phase
12 One, the funding gap would be the largest as
13 distinct from policyholders selecting Options 2
14 or 2A or 3?

15 A. Yes. I believe I addressed that
16 yesterday.

17 Q. Yes, you did.

18 A. I think the scenario you described
19 would result in about a \$525 million reduction
20 in the funding gap.

21 Q. Yes. Yesterday you testified, I
22 believe, about the -- that policyholders had an
23 option, had a least one option equal to what
24 would be the case in liquidation; is that
25 correct?

1 Option 4?

2 A. I have not looked at that. I think
3 that depends on how you define "better." If
4 you define "better" the way I think it's best
5 defined, the answer is yes.

6 Q. Right. We will talk about that more
7 in a while. Okay.

8 Yesterday you testified that it was
9 better to look at, from a policyholder impact
10 perspective, it was better to look at maximum
11 policy values than net present values; is that
12 correct?

13 A. I don't recall my exact words. I
14 think what I said is that maximum policy value
15 would be a quantity more familiar to
16 policyholders and that more closely resembles
17 terms already defined in many of the policies
18 and that the value you advocate, present value
19 of future benefits less the present value of
20 future premium, is more volatile and dynamic
21 and much less familiar to policyholders.

22 Q. Yes, sir. Is maximum policy value
23 an element in creating -- estimating an
24 insurance company's liabilities?

25 A. I'm sure for some purposes. We

1 A. Right.

2 Q. And of these five options, is Option
3 4 the option on which you are relying for that
4 assertion?

5 A. It varies from policyholder to
6 policyholder.

7 Q. But if 81 percent of the
8 policyholders would be presumed to have
9 accepted selected Option 4, wouldn't --

10 A. They would retain the maximum policy
11 benefits provided by the policy.

12 Q. So on a comparison of rehab to
13 liquidation, is the number of policyholders
14 selecting Option 4 important?

15 A. All of the selections are important.

16 Q. Well, I understand that. But for
17 purposes of computing the relative benefits of
18 the rehab plan to liquidation, is it important
19 that Option 4 be available to policyholders to
20 select?

21 A. We believe that it's important to
22 the policyholders that Option 4 be available to
23 them.

24 Q. Could you achieve the 85 percent
25 better in rehab versus liquidation without

1 don't usually use it in gross premium reserve
2 determinations.

3 Q. Right. Did Oliver Wyman use it in
4 putting together their actuarial report we
5 talked about a moment ago?

6 A. I don't know.

7 Q. You don't know?

8 A. (Witness shook head negatively.)

9 Q. Okay. Is maximum policy value a
10 statutory accounting concept?

11 A. I don't know whether that particular
12 term is. I think the term "policy limits,"
13 which is pretty similar, isn't used in some
14 statutory accounting exercises.

15 Q. The illustration on the screen, did
16 it use maximum policy value at all to determine
17 the gross premium reserve and the funding gap
18 and the uncovered reserve?

19 A. I don't think so.

20 Q. Okay. So when you use the term
21 "maximum policy value," does it correlate to
22 the filed financial statements of SHIP?

23 A. I don't recall whether there is a
24 place in the statement where possibly it is
25 referenced. The statements, as you know, are

1 very long.

2 Q. Yes, but the determination of the
3 liabilities of an insurance company are a
4 critical component of the financial statements;
5 would you agree?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And are they calculated using
8 maximum policy value?

9 A. Sitting here today, Mr. Leslie, I
10 don't recall whether they were ever calculated
11 that way.

12 If you're asking whether under the
13 liabilities page where liabilities are
14 reflected that is the formula, it is not. But
15 it may be elsewhere in the statement.

16 Q. Okay. Well, let's go to Page 8 of
17 this actuarial report which explains, this is
18 part of the Oliver Wyman report, and it
19 explains how they derive the current gross
20 premium reserve; is that correct?

21 A. That's what I understand, yes.

22 Q. Can you take a minute and look at
23 this page and tell me if you see the term
24 "maximum policy value" used.

25 A. Sure. No.

1 be a formula; do you agree?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Who put this together?

4 A. I'm not sure. Someone at Oliver
5 Wyman.

6 Q. It was assembled by Oliver Wyman,
7 your actuaries?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. This funding gap analysis, do you
10 know whether it's predicated on present values?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. It is -- is it premised on present
13 values?

14 A. Yes, I believe so.

15 Q. So the comparative effect of the
16 options is portrayed here relative to the
17 funding gap calculated on a present value
18 basis?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And would you look at, I believe
21 Phase One of Option 4 is gold or yellow. You
22 can distinguish that. The chart to the left
23 shows the funding gap.

24 Could you explain the \$227 million
25 number next to the phase, to the Option 4 Phase

1 Q. Okay. Thank you. Yesterday you
2 testified about the impact of Phase Two and how
3 Phase Two will adjust benefits. Does that
4 adjustment utilize present value?

5 A. Present value calculations will be
6 part of the model for adjustment in Phase Two.

7 Q. Are assets allocated to policies in
8 Phase Two based on the present value of
9 benefits net of the present value of premium?

10 A. No.

11 Q. Okay. We will come back to that.
12 Could we pull up Exhibit No. R-19.

13 MR. BROADBENT: Mr. Leslie, do
14 you mean RP 19?

15 MR. LESLIE: RP 19, yes.

16 Thank you.

17 BY MR. LESLIE:

18 Q. Could we move forward a page or two
19 here. Okay. Yesterday, Mr. Cantilo, you
20 testified about this page. Do you recall?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. You see the yellow highlighted at
23 the top?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Funding gap, and this looks to me to

1 One impact, what that means; what does the 227
2 million mean?

3 A. Sure. I explained that yesterday.
4 That is what we anticipate would be the result
5 and reduction of the funding gap from every
6 policyholder selecting Option 4.

7 Q. So if 100 percent of the
8 policyholders selected Option 4, it would
9 reduce the funding gap, or so Oliver Wyman
10 projects, by \$227 million?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. To roughly a billion dollars?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. So if 81 percent of the
15 policyholders selected Option 4, we could look
16 at that in a relative way and it would be more
17 than \$227 million, because it's not a hundred?

18 A. It would be 525 million.

19 Q. Very good. Quick mathematical
20 calculation. I like that. Thank you.

21 Did you participate in the March 5,
22 2021 call with Oliver Wyman and the intervening
23 parties to discuss their --

24 A. I may have introduced people on that
25 call. I think I mostly listened.

1 Q. But did you listen to the whole
2 call?
3 A. Yes.
4 Q. Do you recall anyone using the term
5 "Carpenter value" during that call?
6 A. I don't recall, specifically, but I
7 think several people did. It is not unusual to
8 refer to the term "Carpenter value" when you
9 are evaluating rehabilitation plans.
10 Q. When you are evaluating what?
11 A. Rehabilitation plans or
12 liquidations, either one.
13 Q. Or policyholder benefits? What is
14 Carpenter value? What is your understanding of
15 Carpenter value?
16 A. In simplest form, it's a pro rata
17 distribution of insured and liquidation assets
18 for capping out to policyholders. That's the
19 way the Supreme Court defined it in that case.
20 Q. Was the term "Carpenter value"
21 introduced to that call by an Oliver Wyman
22 actuary?
23 A. May have been, I can't recall.
24 Q. Did the state insurance, intervening
25 state insurance regulators raise the concept of

1 file.
2 Q. Was the purpose of this file to
3 compare each of the rehabilitation plan options
4 for each SHIP policyholder to the guaranty
5 association benefit?
6 A. Without looking at the file, I
7 couldn't answer that question.
8 Q. Do you recall it being referred to
9 as the comparison file?
10 A. Yes.
11 Q. What was it comparing?
12 A. That's the part I don't remember.
13 Q. You don't think it was comparing it
14 to liquidation, then, huh?
15 A. Well, I'm under oath here, I'm not
16 going to speculate. If I can look at the file,
17 I would be happy to answer your questions.
18 Q. Okay. Who prepared the comparison
19 file?
20 A. I assume it was done by either
21 Oliver Wyman's staff or SHIP staff. I'm not
22 sure who prepared it.
23 Q. Were the benefits reflected in the
24 comparison file for the plan options and the
25 guaranty funds prepared on a net present value

1 Carpenter value during that call?
2 A. Could be. Mr. Leslie, I just don't
3 recall who first used the term.
4 Q. Yesterday I believe you criticized
5 the use of the term "Carpenter value"; is that
6 correct?
7 A. No.
8 Q. No?
9 A. What I said was the term "Carpenter
10 value" can be many things and what I criticized
11 was interpreting that term to mean only one
12 thing.
13 Q. So your criticism is over the
14 interpretation of the term "Carpenter value" as
15 distinct from the use of the term "Carpenter
16 value"?
17 A. Correct. I, myself have used the
18 term "Carpenter value" many times.
19 Q. Okay. Are you familiar with the
20 comparison file that was loaded onto the
21 Rehabilitator's data site, it's Exhibit 6, but
22 thankfully it was not presented. It's a huge
23 seriatim file. But are you familiar with that
24 file and why it was created?
25 A. I am generally familiar with that

1 basis?
2 A. Without looking at the file,
3 Mr. Leslie, I can't tell you.
4 Q. You don't know?
5 A. Sitting here today, I do not.
6 Q. Yesterday you testified on some of
7 this. That's why I'm asking.
8 A. I don't recall testifying about the
9 comparison cost.
10 Q. Were the guaranty association values
11 used in this comparison file based on If Knew
12 Premium, net premium?
13 A. May I see the file?
14 Q. I'm sorry?
15 A. May I see the file so I can answer
16 your question?
17 Q. The file is Exhibit 16. Excuse me,
18 Exhibit 6. I mean, you don't -- you're not
19 going to be able to look at Exhibit 6?
20 MR. BROADBENT: We have it.
21 MR. LESLIE: I'm sorry. Yes.
22 MR. BROADBENT: Would you like
23 it?
24 MR. LESLIE: Yeah, give it to
25 him.

1 BY MR. LESLIE:

2 Q. So let's look at the purpose here.

3 A. May I have a minute to look at this
4 document?

5 Q. Sure. Look at the purpose, if you
6 would, please.

7 A. All right.

8 Q. Does this refresh your recollection
9 about the purpose of the comparison file?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And its purpose was?

12 A. It was one way of evaluating
13 policyholder options under the plan in
14 comparison to what we anticipate, what I
15 believe would be the measure of liquidation
16 that you would use in this case.

17 Q. Did the Rehabilitator place this
18 file in the data site so that my clients and
19 others who were interested in this plan could
20 see this comparison to liquidation?

21 A. And all the states as well, yes.

22 Q. And other regulators, as I said?

23 A. Oh, yes.

24 Q. Okay. So the comparison is the
25 options to liquidation; right?

1 individual policyholder.

2 Q. Isn't -- I thought this was a
3 seriatim file that was able to model every
4 policyholder.

5 A. It is.

6 Q. So doesn't it model every
7 policyholder against their liquidation benefit,
8 too?

9 A. It does.

10 Q. And it models each of those
11 policyholder benefits attributable and uses the
12 five options as well; is that correct?

13 A. I believe so, yes.

14 Q. So one is able to use the comparison
15 file to look at the net present value benefit
16 of Option 1, Option 2, Option 2A and so forth?

17 A. For purposes of understanding the
18 effect on the company's financial condition,
19 yes.

20 Q. It isn't used -- it's not reasonable
21 to use it for purposes of understanding the
22 impact on the policyholder?

23 A. On the policyholders as a group,
24 yes. In terms of relative value of the options
25 for individual policyholder, at least in my

1 A. Correct.

2 Q. Okay. And it uses the present value
3 of a liquidation benefits, is that what PV
4 means here?

5 A. I believe it's present value of
6 benefits plus expenses less present value of
7 premium under each scenario.

8 Q. The critical point, though, is it's
9 using present values in liquidation?

10 A. Oh, yes.

11 Q. Okay. And it's comparing that to
12 present values of benefits under the options,
13 too; right?

14 A. Correct.

15 Q. It's not using maximum policy value;
16 is it?

17 A. That is correct.

18 Q. Okay. So the Rehabilitator prepared
19 -- had this exhibit prepared for the benefit of
20 interested persons like other insurance
21 regulators, and used a net present value
22 calculation to do so?

23 A. Yes. For the purpose of
24 demonstrating how the options would affect the
25 insurance company, not how they would affect an

1 view, that would not be the best way to do
2 that.

3 Q. I'm asking you about this file.
4 Doesn't this file compute the present value
5 benefit of each option for each policyholder?

6 A. I assume that it does, yes.

7 Q. Doesn't it also compute the present
8 value of the guaranty fund benefit for that
9 same policyholder?

10 A. I believe that it does, yes.

11 Q. And this is all done in a comparison
12 file; right?

13 A. Yes, sir.

14 Q. So one would presume it's for the
15 purpose of comparing those options, one to the
16 other, as to a policyholder, as to a specific
17 policyholder, as to that specific
18 policyholder's liquidation benefit; is that
19 correct?

20 A. As that affects the funding gap,
21 yes.

22 Q. The -- I apologize for focusing on
23 this, but I think it's an important point, the
24 comparison file calculates, does it not, the
25 present value of the estimated benefit that the

1 Rehabilitator has estimated for each option for
2 that particular policyholder; correct or
3 incorrect?

4 A. I think that is correct. Obviously,
5 those are actuarial calculations. So I suspect
6 they are done in the aggregate and then
7 allocated to the policyholders. But the end
8 result is a policyholder by policyholder
9 presumed present value calculation for each
10 option.

11 Q. Do you believe it's inappropriate to
12 compare the present value of each of these
13 individual options to the present value of
14 liquidation for that same policyholder; is that
15 inappropriate?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Okay. That's the purpose of the
18 exhibit; isn't it?

19 A. Well, that is a purpose of the
20 exhibit, but I don't think it is inappropriate.

21 Q. Excuse me? I couldn't hear you.
22 I'm sorry.

23 A. That is a purpose of the exhibit and
24 I don't think it is inappropriate.

25 Q. So isn't that what the state

1 Q. And if the If Knew Premium is used
2 in the comparison to liquidation options as
3 well?

4 A. In part, yes.

5 Q. In part? What does that mean?

6 A. I believe the If Knew Premium for
7 the liquidation option was truncated to the
8 aggregable guaranty association limit.

9 Q. Sure. In order to come up with the
10 present value of the premium versus the present
11 value of the guaranty fund benefit, absolutely.
12 Understand.

13 Yesterday you testified that one of
14 the reasons why rehabilitation was preferable
15 to liquidation was that it could correct
16 historical rate inequities; is that correct?

17 A. Prospectively.

18 Q. Oh, prospectively. But I believe
19 your testimony was this was one of the
20 principal reasons for selecting liquidation --
21 rehabilitation over liquidation; is that
22 correct?

23 A. Correct.

24 Q. Okay. So is it your opinion that
25 all SHIP's rate increase filings from 2009 on

1 insurance regulators did in their illustration,
2 take the present values in this comparison file
3 and compute which benefit, you know, what the
4 present value of those options were compared to
5 liquidation? Didn't you do that? You
6 testified to it yesterday.

7 A. That's part of what they did, yes.

8 Q. Okay. So it's not unreasonable, in
9 your opinion, to compare the present value as
10 projected by Oliver Wyman, for each
11 policyholder, for each option, to the
12 liquidation value that Oliver Wyman also
13 calculated on a present value for that same
14 policyholder?

15 A. No.

16 Q. Do you recall whether Oliver Wyman
17 used, for purposes of the guaranty fund
18 benefit, present value, used If Knew Premium?

19 A. I believe they did, yes.

20 Q. You believe they did use the If Knew
21 Premium?

22 A. I believe so.

23 Q. So the If Knew Premium is used in
24 the rehabilitation option calculations; right?

25 A. Yes.

1 should have been approved?

2 A. I have not looked at those files
3 individually, so I can't express an opinion as
4 to that.

5 Q. Did you have anybody look at them,
6 did you have counsel, did you have some other
7 consultant look at each of those rate filings
8 from 2009 through 2020?

9 A. I don't think so.

10 Q. So are you able to assess whether
11 those rate filings were appropriate or
12 inappropriate based on the facts as presented
13 to the regulator and the law as it stood in
14 that state at that point in time?

15 A. I have no reason to believe that the
16 actuarial justification analysis underlying
17 those filings was inappropriate.

18 Q. I asked you the question that you
19 didn't review the individual filings, and you
20 had no one else do that; correct?

21 A. Correct.

22 Q. And so it's your opinion that those
23 rate filings were properly supported by
24 actuarial backup, SHIP actuarial backup; is
25 that what you're saying?

1 A. I made that assumption, yes.
 2 Q. That's an assumption; right?
 3 A. Correct.
 4 Q. You don't know it to be the case?
 5 A. I have not tested it, that's
 6 correct.
 7 Q. In your opinion as someone expert in
 8 insurance company receiverships, and insurance
 9 companies in general, are rate submissions
 10 commonly approved 100 percent by the states
 11 when they are filed?
 12 A. Some are and some aren't.
 13 Q. So it is your experience that a
 14 hundred percent is -- happens, and some lesser
 15 amount sometimes happens?
 16 A. And some greater amount sometimes
 17 happens.
 18 Q. I'm sorry, I apologize. We are in a
 19 hall of mirrors here, it seems. I can't hear
 20 you.
 21 A. And some greater amount. There have
 22 been rate filings, rate increase request
 23 filings that have resulted in approval in
 24 excess of the request.
 25 Q. Right. Yesterday, you testified to,

1 fine, could that have affected the rate
 2 decision regulators made on their submissions
 3 prior to 2013?
 4 A. I suppose that is possible. I would
 5 be speculating.
 6 Q. Why did you include 2013 to 2016 If
 7 Knew Premium increases when no rate filings
 8 were filed for those years?
 9 A. Because if the company had priced
 10 the policies appropriately and If Knew at
 11 inception, those rates would have applied
 12 continuously throughout the period.
 13 Q. I believe you used the words
 14 "discriminatory" and "cross subsidy" and the
 15 like to refer to the rates as they stood prior
 16 to the order of rehabilitation entering; is
 17 that correct?
 18 A. I think so, yes.
 19 Q. So are state regulators to blame for
 20 SHIP not making rate increase filings from 2013
 21 through 2016?
 22 A. I don't know the answer to that,
 23 Mr. Leslie.
 24 Q. You don't know whether, if rate
 25 filings weren't made, whether regulators made a

1 I believe you presented a slide on rate
 2 submissions and rates not approved from 2009
 3 through 2020. Do you recall that?
 4 A. I think it may have been 2009 to
 5 2019, but you may be right. It may have been
 6 to 2020.
 7 Q. And was your estimate about \$300
 8 million?
 9 A. The nominal value of the amount of
 10 those requests that was rejected was about \$311
 11 million.
 12 Q. Were those SHIP filings between 2009
 13 and 2020 based on If Knew Premium
 14 methodologies?
 15 A. I don't believe so.
 16 Q. Okay. You testified that between
 17 2013 and 2015, SHIP didn't make any rate
 18 filings, rate increase filings?
 19 A. I believe that's right or they made
 20 a very small number.
 21 Q. I think you also testified that they
 22 felt they were doing fine at that point; is
 23 that right?
 24 A. That's what I was informed, yes.
 25 Q. So if they thought they were doing

1 mistake in not approving them?
 2 A. That was not the question you asked
 3 me.
 4 Q. Okay. So no rate filings were filed
 5 for those years, but your If Knew Premium
 6 illustration includes the If Knew Premium for
 7 those years, notwithstanding the fact the rate
 8 filings weren't submitted?
 9 A. That's true.
 10 Q. You think that's a fair portrayal of
 11 the situation?
 12 A. Yes.
 13 Q. All right. Were the rates, as they
 14 stood on the day the rehabilitation order
 15 entered, were they lawful rates; had they been
 16 lawfully approved?
 17 A. I assume they were, yes.
 18 Q. So does the rehabilitation plan seek
 19 to modify rates that were lawfully approved or
 20 disapproved?
 21 A. The plan will modify the rates as
 22 described in the plan, and I am assuming that
 23 some or all of the rates that will be modified
 24 were roughly approved.
 25 Q. You, yesterday you showed us a chart

1 by state showing the experience on rate
2 approvals; do you recall that?

3 A. I do.

4 Q. And I believe you also criticized
5 regulators for not approving those rate
6 increases, and that to the extent that a rate
7 increase wasn't approved, that the difference
8 had to be paid by somebody else; is that --

9 A. That's right.

10 Q. That's fair?

11 A. (Witness nodded head affirmatively.)

12 Q. So is there an element of criticism
13 in your testimony as to the state regulators
14 not approving the rate increases?

15 A. I don't know whether I intended to
16 criticize regulators yesterday in that regard.
17 I do think that regulators who routinely fail
18 to approve actuarially justified rate increases
19 in many cases contribute to the problem.

20 Q. That's your opinion, correct, as an
21 expert?

22 A. That's my opinion in response to the
23 question you asked me today, yes, sir.

24 Q. That is your opinion as an expert.
25 So but you didn't --

1 A. One of the purposes of the plan is
2 to affect the current rate structure.

3 Q. So 300 and some million of the
4 funding gap is attributable to that, by your
5 testimony?

6 A. To what?

7 Q. You testified that approximately 300
8 and I believe 20 million dollars of premium
9 wasn't approved, and so taking that premium
10 that was not approved, the chart you showed
11 yesterday, and comparing that to the \$1.2
12 million gap, presumably it contributed to the
13 funding gap; right?

14 A. If I understand your question to
15 mean did the 311 million in unapproved rates
16 from 2009 to 2020 contribute to the funding
17 gap, the answer is yes.

18 Q. Yes, by 300 some million?

19 A. As I said, 311.

20 Q. 311 plus the failure to -- the
21 company couldn't earn investment income on that
22 premium as well, you computed that to about I
23 believe 370 or 80 million dollars; right?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. Okay. But you're not able to -- you

1 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I
2 have to object to Mr. Leslie's characterization
3 because the witness clearly stated something
4 different than Mr. Leslie just stated in a
5 non-question.

6 MR. LESLIE: That's fine. I
7 withdraw the question, Your Honor.

8 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you.
9 BY MR. LESLIE:

10 Q. Yesterday you testified that the
11 collapse in the capital markets impacted the
12 underpricing of SHIP's coverages; is that
13 correct?

14 A. It affected -- it contributed to the
15 funding gap. I'm not sure it contributed to
16 the underpricing.

17 Q. You testified to the rates that
18 weren't approved, the 300 and some million.
19 What portion of the funding gap is attributable
20 to the collapse of the capital markets?

21 A. I have not calculated that number.

22 Q. Okay. So one of the purposes of the
23 plan is to address these rate inequities and
24 failure to approve rate increases; that is
25 correct, isn't it?

1 haven't projected what the effect of the
2 actuarial pricing assumptions on investment
3 returns compared to actual was as it
4 contributed to that funding gap, you haven't
5 computed that, had anyone do that?

6 A. No. There is nothing I could do
7 about that.

8 Q. But it could be computed; couldn't
9 it? You showed yesterday, you showed the
10 period of time in which rates were submitted
11 and what investment returns were during those
12 years.

13 A. Yeah. I suppose one could create a
14 table that would show what the difference in
15 investment income year by year would have been
16 under scenarios different than the ones that
17 actually occurred in each of those years based
18 on the assets invested by the company during
19 each of those years. We have not done that.

20 Q. Mr. Cantilo, is a comparison of the
21 assumption of investment return to actual, is
22 that difference material to the amount of the
23 funding gap?

24 A. I'm sorry, can you tell me what the
25 two things are that I'm comparing?

1 Q. The pricing, the actuarial
2 assumptions that underlay pricing assumed
3 certain investment returns; correct?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. And then there were actual
6 investment returns, that's correct, too; right?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. And the difference had an impact?

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. And that impact contributed to the
11 funding gap?

12 A. Absolutely.

13 Q. Do you have a sense of whether that
14 was material?

15 A. Yes, it was material.

16 Q. Okay. And do you have a sense of
17 whether it was as material as the -- as the
18 rate deficiency?

19 A. Because I don't have a quantity for
20 that sum, I can't say whether it was more or
21 less material than the underpricing, but it was
22 definitely material.

23 Q. And yesterday you testified about a
24 couple of investment decisions that had been
25 made and the losses that SHIP endured from

1 those decisions.

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. I believe you estimated the range of
4 those impacts as between 150 and \$200 million;
5 is that right?

6 A. It could even exceed that.

7 Q. And so would that also be
8 contributing materially to the funding gap?

9 A. Absolutely.

10 Q. And so, you know, that 150 to 2 or
11 \$300 million, that number seems to correlate to
12 the 300 or so of premium that was foregone as
13 well through regulator action, so it's a
14 material number that contributed to the gap;
15 right?

16 A. Is your question whether it's
17 similar or whether it's material?

18 Q. Was it material?

19 A. It was material.

20 Q. So \$300 million of premium rate,
21 premiums not approved, a material effect due to
22 the drop in the capital markets and several
23 hundred million dollars, a couple, 300,
24 whatever, range due to investment decisions,
25 all of that affecting materially the funding

1 gap?

2 A. Is there a question?

3 Q. I am asking you if you agree with
4 that or not; is that correct?

5 A. Do I agree that those things
6 affected the funding gap, yes.

7 Q. Materially?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Is it your opinion that the
10 Rehabilitator of an insolvent life insurer has
11 the discretion to impose the entire cost burden
12 of the insolvency on the insurer's current
13 policyholders and not trigger the guaranty
14 associations?

15 A. Are you asking me if I think that's
16 the law?

17 Q. Is that your opinion, yes.

18 A. My opinion is that the discretion of
19 Rehabilitators and rehabilitation Courts can
20 include that, yes.

21 Q. So if the policy -- so the
22 policyholders of SHIP need to address through
23 these options or -- let me try it a different
24 way.

25 The five options made available

1 under Phase One of the plan, are they intended
2 to reduce the funding gap of \$1.2 billion?

3 A. The plan as a whole is intended to
4 reduce the funding gap.

5 Q. Is the goal to -- is the purpose of
6 the plan to eliminate the funding gap of \$1.2
7 billion?

8 A. It would be good if it did that, but
9 the plan would not fail, in my opinion, if it
10 failed to do that, no.

11 Q. So the reduction of the funding gap,
12 through the plan, who is bearing the burden of
13 that reduction?

14 A. If you describe the adjustments of
15 the policies as bearing the burden, the
16 policyholders would.

17 Q. Is there anyone other than the
18 policyholders that's bearing the burden of
19 those adjustments?

20 A. Putting aside tax considerations,
21 probably not.

22 Q. So that's about 20,000 policyholders
23 based on your testimony earlier in this cross?

24 A. No.

25 Q. No? How many policyholders?

1 A. Well, if you eliminate the
2 non-forfeiture options, 30,000.

3 Q. And you don't further reduce it for
4 the policyholders already paying the If Knew
5 Premium?

6 A. I think we already talked about
7 that. Those policyholders will have the
8 ability to voluntarily select Options 2, 2A or
9 3.

10 Q. Okay. But you would agree, then,
11 that the \$1.2 billion would be addressed by the
12 30,000 long-term care policyholders?

13 A. The projected \$1.2 billion funding
14 gap would be addressed by them, yes.

15 Q. Exclusively?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Okay. Who else?

18 A. As I said, the taxpayers.

19 Q. The taxpayers?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Who?

22 A. To the extent that our plan is
23 successful, we will eliminate potentially
24 hundreds of millions of dollars in federal
25 income tax liability. Doing that, I suppose,

1 Q. Now, you're a highly experienced
2 specialist in insurance company receiverships.
3 Do you understand or could you tell us why the
4 life and health guaranty funds were created?

5 A. I do understand why they were
6 created.

7 Q. Why were they created?

8 A. They were created in part because
9 there was a concern that in the absence of a
10 state-based mechanism for the protection of
11 policyholders of failed insurers, there was
12 going to be a shift from state to federal
13 regulation of the insurance industry.

14 Q. So the exclusive purpose for
15 creating the life and health guaranty funds was
16 to avoid federal guaranty fund statutes?

17 A. I don't think so.

18 Q. Was there a policyholder protective
19 purpose expressed with regard to the creation
20 of a life and health guaranty fund?

21 A. Absolutely.

22 Q. Okay. Do guaranty funds spread the
23 loss beyond the policyholders of an insolvent
24 insurance company?

25 A. Yes.

1 arguably shifts that burden to other taxpayers.

2 Q. I don't pretend to be a tax expert,
3 and yesterday I believe you testified that you
4 weren't either, for which you deserve credit,
5 but I'm going to just stick with the \$1.2
6 billion, because I don't believe it's net of
7 any kind of tax benefit; is it?

8 A. I think we're mixing apples and
9 oranges.

10 Q. I do, too.

11 A. \$1.2 billion is the projected
12 deficit for the company.

13 Q. And the policyholders of SHIP, the
14 30,000 long-term care policyholders of SHIP are
15 going to bear that through higher premium or
16 reduced benefits; right?

17 A. If the entire deficit is eliminated
18 under the plan, the answer is yes.

19 Q. Any portion of the deficit
20 eliminated by the plan is being borne by the
21 policyholders; isn't it?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Rather than spread to the guaranty
24 fund system?

25 A. Correct.

1 Q. You have testified that they spread
2 that loss in ways that are borne by taxpayers;
3 is that correct?

4 A. In part, yes.

5 Q. In part. So one of the purposes of
6 the life and health guaranty fund system is to
7 spread the loss of an insolvency broadly so as
8 not to concentrate it on the policyholders,
9 exclusively the policyholders of the insolvent
10 insurer; do you agree with?

11 A. I think that's one of the effects.
12 I'm not sure whether that was the purpose.

13 Q. Does it have that effect? Does the
14 triggering of the guaranty association spread
15 the loss broadly across the United States?

16 A. I just said I think that is the
17 effect, yes.

18 Q. And so why did the Rehabilitator of
19 SHIP decide that it was better to impose the
20 burden exclusively on the policyholders of
21 SHIP?

22 A. As I explained yesterday, there were
23 several factors. One is that the plan offers
24 policyholders benefits that would not be
25 available in liquidation.

1 Another is that in the case of SHIP,
2 there are many policyholders who are paying far
3 less for the coverage they are receiving than
4 they would be had the premiums been set
5 appropriately, which is in a sense to say that
6 they are underpaying for their coverages. That
7 is not a criticism of the policyholders, they
8 are paying everything they were asked to pay,
9 but they weren't asked to pay enough.

10 So shifting that burden, the burden
11 of underpriced policies to the taxpayers or to
12 other insureds in the State of California seems
13 unjustified under the circumstances.

14 Q. That sounds like a policy judgment;
15 do you agree?

16 A. You could call it that.

17 Q. Are the guaranty funds created by
18 statute?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. So legislators who make policy
21 enacted those statutes across the United
22 States. Are you aware of any state that
23 doesn't have a life and health guaranty fund?

24 A. Not anymore, no.

25 Q. But the Pennsylvania Commissioner --

1 well, are certain of SHIP's policyholders not
2 worthy of guaranty fund coverage because their
3 benefits are too rich and they didn't pay
4 enough premium?

5 A. That's not my opinion, no.

6 Q. I'm sorry?

7 A. That is not my opinion, no.

8 Q. So policyholders aren't at fault
9 here; are they?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. Correct, policyholders aren't at
12 fault?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. But the exclusive -- the burden of
15 the plan is exclusively on those policyholders
16 who are not at fault; right?

17 A. You can be underpaying for something
18 without being at fault and still not have a
19 reasonable expectation that you should continue
20 to be allowed to underpay at taxpayer expense.

21 Q. But the guaranty funds were created
22 by law.

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. They exist as statutes right now.

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. They exist, as you testified, and
2 they have the effect of spreading loss beyond
3 the policyholders?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Is the \$1.2 billion funding gap
6 today attributable to the 30,000 long-term care
7 policyholders of SHIP that have in force
8 policies now?

9 A. In part.

10 Q. In part? Is it mostly the 30,000
11 policyholders' fault?

12 A. Probably not.

13 Q. Probably not. So the 600,000 or
14 800,000 policyholders that SHIP insured
15 received the benefit of underpricing?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And the 30,000 policyholders that
18 are left are going to exclusively bear the
19 consequences of the funding gap; is that
20 correct?

21 A. No.

22 Q. Why not?

23 A. Because the plan only adjusts the
24 rates prospectively so the effect will be that
25 they will be paying a fair rate going forward,

1 but they will not be asked to pay a penny to
2 make up for the underfunding retrospectively.

3 Q. But is it true that rates have two
4 effects in the plan; one is higher premium, but
5 don't they have a bigger effect on reducing
6 benefits?

7 A. If by that you mean that in exchange
8 for not paying the higher rate, a policyholder
9 might choose an option that reduces benefits,
10 the answer is yes.

11 Q. Didn't you testify yesterday that
12 there aren't enough policyholders to pay enough
13 premium to bridge the funding gap?

14 A. I don't recall whether I testified
15 to that, but the answer is that that would be
16 the case, yes.

17 Q. And didn't you testify that benefit
18 reductions are what is needed to fill the
19 funding gap, even voluntary or otherwise?

20 A. I don't recall testifying to that,
21 but benefit reductions are needed to reduce the
22 funding gap.

23 Q. But aren't premium increases and
24 benefit reductions two sides of the same coin?
25 Aren't the benefit reductions the result of

1 application of the If Knew Premium to the
2 coverage that would be available?

3 A. Not exclusively, no.

4 Q. Well, what are the other factors?

5 A. Well, policyholders may choose an
6 option which has fewer benefits and does not
7 consist simply of reducing the current premium
8 based on If Knew rates to those benefits.

9 Q. So policyholders could choose to
10 accept a lower benefit than available today at
11 a lower premium because they choose to do that
12 today, and that would have the benefit -- have
13 a benefit to the estate or to deficiency by
14 reducing the obligation the company has to that
15 policyholder?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. So can that occur in the case
18 of a benefit within the guaranty fund limit as
19 well?

20 A. Can you repeat the question?

21 Q. Could the hypothetical policyholder
22 you just described, could that adjustment of
23 benefits be an adjustment of benefits that
24 falls below the guaranty association benefit?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Well, in the sense that guaranty
2 association coverage may be given up?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And so in Phase Two, I believe the
5 plan says premium could be materially increased
6 for those selecting Option 4; is that correct?

7 A. That is correct.

8 Q. And benefits could be materially
9 reduced for those selecting Option 1; is that
10 correct?

11 A. That is correct.

12 Q. So our hypothetical policyholder who
13 gives up a certain level of guaranty fund
14 protection in Phase One may find a result in
15 Phase Two that looks very different than what
16 that policyholder thought the circumstances
17 were in Phase One?

18 A. That is possible, yes.

19 Q. So why do policyholders have to give
20 up guaranty association benefits in Phase One
21 permanently; why do they have to do that?

22 A. I'm not sure what you mean by "have
23 to."

24 Q. Well, the plan requires them to give
25 those benefits up permanently, it specifies

1 Q. That would be an example of a
2 policyholder voluntarily choosing to give up
3 some coverage in exchange for the benefit of
4 lower premium and a lower benefit because of
5 their financial circumstances at that time?

6 A. That is possible, yes.

7 Q. Now, these adjustments in Phase One
8 are permanent; isn't that correct?

9 A. The adjustment resulting from
10 selecting Options 2, 2A or 3 under the plan are
11 intended to be permanent under the plan.

12 Q. Yeah.

13 A. Obviously, if the plan is
14 unsuccessful in keeping the company out of
15 liquidation, then other changes might result in
16 liquidation.

17 Q. So a policyholder, your hypothetical
18 policyholder that makes the decision you just
19 described, could their circumstances change in
20 Phase Two?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. So that policyholder is
23 making a choice in Phase One which has a
24 permanent effect on that policyholder?

25 A. In the sense I just described, yes.

1 that they give up the benefits permanently at
2 Phase One; doesn't it?

3 A. The plan says they can elect to do
4 that.

5 Q. Sure.

6 A. Your question is why does the plan
7 allow policyholders to elect to do that?

8 Q. No.

9 A. Because it's part of the meaningful
10 choices we are offering --

11 Q. I apologize if my question wasn't
12 clear.

13 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Leslie, we
14 are after noon, do you have a sense of how much
15 longer your cross-examination is going to take?

16 MR. LESLIE: I'm not sure,
17 Your Honor. It depends in part on the witness.

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: Well, let me
19 -- there is some repetition, and the Court is
20 -- understands, sometimes there is a need for
21 repetition, but I think that could go a little
22 bit faster on your part.

23 There is no need to argue with the
24 witness. You're going to have plenty of
25 opportunity to make your points and you have

1 good points and you're making them well, but
2 I'm just wondering if they might not, some of
3 them, be better made in a brief.

4 MR. LESLIE: I don't know what
5 time it is, Your Honor.

6 JUDGE LEAVITT: It's after
7 noon. Is this a good time to break? The court
8 reporter has been here for two hours.

9 MR. LESLIE: I would
10 respectfully suggest we break and resume. And
11 I will -- I am properly admonished by the Court
12 and will focus on trying to do this as quickly
13 as possible.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right. We
15 will recess for 45 minutes.

16 (At 12:07 p.m. a lunch recess
17 was taken until 12:52 p.m.)

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: You may be
19 seated. All right, Mr. Leslie, you have the
20 conn, as they say.

21 MR. LESLIE: I will try to
22 keep the conn as briefly as possible, Your
23 Honor.

24 Could we have Slide 67, please.
25 Should I start, Your Honor?

1 that shortfall is then addressed in Phase Two.
2 It looks like --

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. It looks like that causes the
5 allocation of assets to policyholders
6 proportional to the shortfall?

7 A. No, sir.

8 Q. Could you help me and explain how
9 that works, if you would.

10 A. Certainly. The assets allocated as
11 the portion of the formula I just described are
12 allocated among the policyholders in proportion
13 to the accumulated premiums they have paid over
14 the life of the policy.

15 Q. So do you agree that this
16 calculation, again, is a present value
17 calculation?

18 A. It's present value as to future
19 benefits, future expenses and future premiums.

20 Q. All right. So would you agree that
21 Phase Two is an integral part of the plan?

22 A. I don't know how you mean the word
23 "integral." It is an important part of the
24 plan. But as I think I said yesterday, in my
25 opinion, the plan can be successful in Phase

1 JUDGE LEAVITT: Yes, please.

2 BY MR. LESLIE:

3 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Cantilo.

4 A. Good afternoon, Mr. Leslie.

5 Q. You see Page 67 from your
6 presentation yesterday?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. This morning I asked you some
9 questions about Phase Two and how Phase Two
10 works vis-a-vis present value.

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And so this slide describes how
13 Phase Two will work insofar as dealing with the
14 shortfall amount. Could you describe what the
15 shortfall amount is?

16 A. Yes, sir. For each policy there is
17 an internal calculation of the present value of
18 future benefits and expenses, and the future
19 value of -- the present value of future
20 premiums, and then an allocation of assets.

21 And if the present value of future benefits and
22 expenses exceeds the sum of the present value
23 of future premiums plus allocated assets, that
24 excess is the shortfall amount.

25 Q. And so this chart deals with how

1 One.

2 Q. So do you see Phase Two as the phase
3 at which a funding gap that remains at the end
4 of Phase One is addressed and resolved?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. So at the end of Phase Two, is it
7 your view there will be no funding gap?

8 A. That would be ideal, but as I think
9 I also said yesterday, we can't guarantee that
10 that will be the result.

11 Q. Yes. Yesterday you testified that
12 it was unlikely, I think highly unlikely, that
13 the plan could eliminate the funding gap.

14 Did you mean Phase One or did you
15 mean Phase One and Phase Two?

16 A. I meant Phase One and Phase Two.
17 Certainly Phase One but, as I said yesterday in
18 candor, given the magnitude of the funding, it
19 is possible that for Phase Two to eliminate the
20 remaining gap depending on what happens in
21 Phase One would put such a burden on
22 policyholders, that a different alternative
23 might be preferable.

24 Q. Could that be because the number of
25 policyholders that remain after Phase One whose

1 premiums or benefits could be adjusted is too
2 small to absorb the funding gap if it was quite
3 large?

4 A. That would be a factor, yes.

5 Q. Now, I would like to draw your
6 attention to the second amended plan. And I
7 used to know what that exhibit number was.

8 A. It is Exhibit 55.

9 Q. If you would be so kind to put that
10 up and, particularly, Page 11. Okay. I draw
11 your attention to the first paragraph on this
12 page, once you're ready. Take your time.

13 A. I have Page 11 in front of me.

14 Q. The first paragraph provides that
15 the results of Phase One will be evaluated and
16 it talks about self-sustaining premiums, which
17 you have testified to, but it also refers, and
18 I believe this was not in the amended plan, so
19 this is new in the second amended plan,
20 additional policy modifications may be
21 necessary.

22 What do you think that means? Is
23 that something beyond self-sustaining premium
24 adjustments?

25 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Leslie,

1 what line are you on?

2 MR. LESLIE: Page 11, the
3 first sentence --

4 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay.

5 THE WITNESS: Your question is
6 what again, sir?

7 BY MR. LESLIE:

8 Q. What does the additional policy
9 modifications mean?

10 A. As intended by that sentence, it
11 would be the policyholder selecting from
12 Options 1 through 4, comparable to Phase One
13 but based on self-sustaining premium in Phase
14 Two.

15 Q. Go on to the next sentence, if you
16 would. It is expected that modifications in
17 Phase Two will largely be based on
18 self-sustaining premium.

19 What else might the adjustments be
20 based on?

21 A. Well, policyholder elections, for
22 one.

23 Q. Wouldn't they have already occurred
24 in Phase One?

25 A. No. Policyholders will be given the

1 opportunity to make new elections in Phase Two.

2 Q. So it's your testimony that
3 self-sustaining premiums will be the exclusive
4 method used for -- in Phase Two; there aren't
5 additional modifications that haven't been
6 described that could also occur?

7 A. You've asked me two questions. The
8 plan does not envision additional policy
9 modifications other than those resulting from
10 the five options.

11 Q. Okay. Let's go to Page 59. And
12 this, I'm going to ask you a question about
13 Roman Numeral IV A6, which begins when policy
14 modifications in Phase Two, while policy
15 modifications in Phase Two. Would you take a
16 minute and read that.

17 A. Yes. I am familiar with that
18 paragraph.

19 Q. Do you see the language in the third
20 line that talks about an alternative premium
21 structure will be used in Phase Two?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. So it says it is possible an
24 alternative premium structure will be used in
25 Phase Two. Is that an alternative to

1 self-sustaining premiums?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. What would that be or do you not
4 know?

5 A. I don't know today. That's a
6 placeholder for the possibility that the
7 results of Phase One would make some other rate
8 structure in Phase Two better in many respects
9 and more equitable or easier to implement or
10 something else.

11 Q. Is the plan -- does the plan, as
12 submitted, provide for judicial review with
13 regard to Phase Two? Does the Court need to
14 approve Phase Two?

15 A. As I said yesterday, I anticipate
16 now that between Phase One and Phase Two we
17 would report to the Court and advise the Court
18 whether our recommendation is to go on with
19 Phase Two as described in the plan now or as
20 modified in some way.

21 Q. So I don't mean to be argumentative,
22 but there is a difference between report and
23 the Court approving. What does the plan
24 envision?

25 A. The plan does not address that.

1 Q. The proposed order, I believe it's
2 at Paragraph 6, provides for the Court to
3 approve the plan and it stops at that.

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. It doesn't provide for any further
6 judicial review. The Court, if that order were
7 to be entered as submitted by the
8 Rehabilitator, then the Court would approve the
9 plan as it stands and there would be no further
10 judicial review, at least that order wouldn't
11 call for any.

12 I'm asking what -- you know, the
13 Rehabilitator submitted that, so presumably
14 that's what the Rehabilitator intended.

15 A. Well, in my experience, Mr. Leslie,
16 there will be many times when we will come to
17 the Court for review of specific steps along
18 the way, for example, the policy restructuring
19 upon which I spoke yesterday. So the plan does
20 not enumerate the times at which we will come
21 to the Court for guidance on specific items.

22 One of those could be elements of
23 the second phase of the plan. As you probably
24 know, Mr. Leslie, the rehabilitation of
25 insurers is typically a collaborative effort

1 between the Rehabilitator and the Court.

2 Q. So you are envisioning that order
3 will be modified on this point?

4 A. No, no. That's something different.

5 Q. So will the Court review this and
6 approve this, if you need to have it,
7 alternative methodology?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. But that's -- how does that arise?
10 It's not in the order. The order gives the
11 Rehabilitator the power to implement the plan.

12 A. Well, I haven't seen the order. You
13 obviously have a crystal ball that I don't
14 have, but I would envision that whatever order
15 the Court enters with respect to the plan would
16 be subject to the further orders of the Court,
17 as is typically the case.

18 Q. So you would be comfortable with the
19 Court approving the plan subject to approving
20 any Phase Two self-sustaining premium or
21 alternative adjustments?

22 A. Of course I would be comfortable
23 with that, yes.

24 Q. You would. Okay. That is great.
25 So would you -- then why, if the

1 Court would be asked to do that, why did the
2 modifications in Phase One have to be
3 permanent? Why couldn't they be voluntary
4 elections, after which everyone looks at the
5 situation and decides how it looks like it will
6 work? Why does Phase One have to be mandatory?

7 A. They are described that way in the
8 plan in fairness to the policyholders so that
9 they recognize the possibility that whatever
10 elections they make in Phase One will be
11 permanent to them. There is no guarantee about
12 anything about this plan going forward, and it
13 is certainly possible that the Court will want
14 to review aspects of the plan after Phase One.

15 Q. Okay. I mean, we are here to deal
16 with the plan as it is, to deal with it as the
17 order stands, and that order doesn't provide
18 for any judicial review.

19 It also doesn't provide for any
20 judicial review of disclosure to the
21 policyholders. Yesterday you testified about
22 trend-setting disclosure, I believe. Do you
23 envision the Court approving that disclosure?

24 A. We had not contemplated coming back
25 to the Court separately for that, no.

1 MR. LESLIE: Okay. Your
2 Honor, I am finished. I hope that was prompt
3 enough.

4 JUDGE LEAVITT: That was very
5 prompt. Thank you very much.

6 Mr. Broadbent, do you have any
7 redirect?

8 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, my
9 preference would be to just conduct a single
10 redirect at the conclusion of all testimony. I
11 think that's most efficient and the other
12 testimony may eliminate the need for some of my
13 questions.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: That's fine.
15 We will hear next from Ms. Glawe.

16 MS. WILSON: Your Honor, Jane
17 Dall Wilson on behalf of NOLHGA. We don't have
18 any cross-examination for Mr. Cantilo, but just
19 want to very briefly address a housekeeping
20 matter.

21 With respect to the admission this
22 morning of Exhibit 56, which was the slide deck
23 that was used in Mr. Cantilo's testimony, our
24 agreement with Rehabilitator's counsel was that
25 we understood that that was being offered and

1 would be admitted in the context in which it
2 was used as a demonstrative exhibit.

3 So we just wanted to clarify that
4 position for the record.

5 JUDGE LEAVITT: That's fine.

6 MS. WILSON: Thank you.

7 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.

8 Mr. Galla, are you or Mr. Donley --

9 MR. DONLEY: Your Honor, I
10 will be asking the questions.

11 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.

12 That's fine.

13 MR. DONLEY: If Your Honor is
14 ready?

15 JUDGE LEAVITT: We're ready.

16 MR. DONLEY: Thank you very
17 much, Your Honor.

18 CROSS-EXAMINATION

19 BY MR. DONLEY:

20 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Cantilo.

21 A. Good afternoon, Mr. Galla.

22 Q. If I fail to make my questions heard
23 to you or if I do not make them clear, please
24 let me know. I will try to rephrase them.

25 A. Certainly. Did I misidentify you?

1 Treaty was American Network Insurance Group;
2 right?

3 A. American Network Insurance Company.

4 Q. Insurance Company. Thank you.

5 And with respect to those two
6 entities, were you involved in the original
7 plan for rehabilitation that was a joint plan?

8 A. Which do you mean by the original
9 plan?

10 Q. The April 2013.

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And what was your capacity in that
13 -- with respect to your involvement?

14 A. I was the Special Deputy
15 Rehabilitator.

16 Q. Same as in this case?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. And when were you appointed with
19 respect to the Penn Treaty matter?

20 A. I believe in December of 2012.

21 Q. And I believe you said, with respect
22 to the questions that were put to you
23 previously, that you drew a lot from the Penn
24 Treaty experience for purposes of creating the
25 plan in this case; is that true?

1 I'm sorry, I don't know you gentlemen so --

2 Q. I'm Joe Donley. So you got it
3 right. And with me is my colleague Scott
4 Galla.

5 A. Glad to meet you gentlemen, and I
6 will call you Mr. Donley.

7 Q. We represent the agents and the
8 brokers in this matter.

9 A. I am aware of that. Thank you.

10 Q. I have just a few questions for you.
11 How many rehabilitations have you been involved
12 in in Pennsylvania?

13 A. Two, if you include the stage of the
14 Penn Treaty matter during its rehabilitation.

15 Q. So with regard to Penn Treaty --

16 A. I'm sorry. I misspeak. I also
17 served as a witness in connection with -- I'm
18 not sure whether it's a rehabilitation or a
19 liquidation, so let's just say those two.

20 Q. And with respect to those two, did
21 you ever -- let me back up. For Penn Treaty,
22 there were two entities involved; isn't that
23 correct?

24 A. Yes, sir.

25 Q. And the other entity besides Penn

1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. Now, the joint plan that was
3 presented in April of 2013 in Penn Treaty, did
4 you have a hand in drafting that?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. And is it -- am I correct that that
7 plan provided for the suspension of payments of
8 commissions similar to the suspension of
9 payment of commissions to agents in this plan?

10 A. To the best of my recollection, yes,
11 sir.

12 Q. And because it was a joint plan, it
13 applied to both entities as well?

14 A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. Now, you received a lot of
16 opposition, shall we say, to that proposal in
17 Penn Treaty; is that correct?

18 A. Yes, sir.

19 Q. And the matter was taken up in
20 court, briefs were filed, but isn't it true
21 that you never had a decision approving the use
22 of the plan to suspend commissions?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. And to your knowledge, has there
25 ever been a rehabilitation in Pennsylvania

1 where such a provision was approved by a Court?

2 A. I don't know of any, no, sir.

3 Q. Now, that plan in Penn Treaty, the
4 April 2013 plan, that was never implemented; is
5 that correct?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. And because it's not necessary from
8 my perspective to get in deeply to the Penn
9 Treaty, I would like to shortcut this a little
10 bit by saying that ultimately what you ended up
11 doing was preparing a plan where Penn Treaty
12 went into liquidation and ANIC went into
13 rehabilitation; correct?

14 A. There was a later plan under which
15 that would have been the case, yes, sir.

16 Q. And, sir, I'm going to put up for
17 you a copy of the Second Amended Plan of
18 Rehabilitation with respect to Penn Treaty and
19 America Insurance Company -- and American
20 Network Insurance Company and ask you if you
21 can take a quick look at it and just see if you
22 are familiar with the document.

23 A. It looks familiar, yes, sir.

24 Q. And is it fair to say that you also
25 had a hand in the drafting of this?

1 A. I'm sorry, Mr. Donley, I just don't
2 remember.

3 Q. Well, if you would, sir, go to Page
4 11. Could we put up Page 11, and just to
5 shortcut this, sir, if you will, Page 11, the
6 last sentence on that page states, in addition,
7 ANIC will pay agents' commissions arising from
8 premium it collects after the effective date.
9 PTNA will not do so.

10 A. I see that, yes, sir.

11 Q. And that is correct to the best of
12 your recollection?

13 A. That refreshes my memory that we had
14 that provision in that plan, yes, sir.

15 Q. Now, the reason that was done, was
16 it not, that you -- it was recognized that,
17 unlike liquidation, the statutes in
18 Pennsylvania didn't provide for the suspension
19 of agent's commissions?

20 A. No.

21 Q. For rehabilitation?

22 A. That is not the reason, no.

23 Q. What was the reason?

24 A. That if the plan had been
25 implemented as proposed, ANIC, which is what in

1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. And isn't it correct that, at the
3 time this was drafted which, I believe, was
4 October of 2014, you -- the decision was made
5 to put Penn Treaty into liquidation and to take
6 ANIC and put it through rehabilitation?

7 A. Well, that is not exactly right,
8 Mr. Donley. The plan was complex. It would
9 have moved policies back and forth between the
10 two companies. So the resulting ANIC, or ANIC
11 as we called it, would have gone -- would have
12 come out of rehabilitation in due course and
13 the resulting Penn Treaty which would include
14 policies previously held at ANIC would have
15 gone to liquidation.

16 Q. In that plan, is it not correct,
17 sir, that the proposal made way for Penn Treaty
18 not to pay any commissions on preexisting
19 contracts before the effective date for
20 commissions for agents?

21 A. I don't have a very good
22 recollection of all that, but that sounds
23 right.

24 Q. With respect to ANIC, ANIC agents
25 would be paid those commissions?

1 a good bank/bad bank scenario what we call good
2 bank, would have been a solvent company back in
3 the marketplace.

4 Q. So this plan was based upon what you
5 described the other day in court, or yesterday
6 in court, as your good bank/bad bank setup?

7 A. Yes, sir.

8 Q. And am I correct in remembering your
9 testimony from yesterday that you said, and I
10 believe this is a quote from it, we don't think
11 the plan should put the agents in a better
12 position than they would have been in a
13 liquidation at the expense of the
14 policyholders, so if SHIP were placed in
15 liquidation or happened -- as happened in Penn
16 Treaty, we would suspend the accrual of the
17 commissions and suspend the payment; is that
18 correct?

19 A. That sounds right.

20 Q. So you were trying to put the agents
21 in the same position in the rehabilitation that
22 is before the Court as it would have been in
23 the liquidation; correct?

24 A. In no better position.

25 Q. But that was not provided by

1 statute?

2 A. I don't think there is a statute
3 specifically addressing that, no, sir.

4 Q. But you believed it would be fair?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. And as you testified just earlier,
7 most of what appears in your proposed plan for
8 rehabilitation is subject to judgment?

9 A. I'm not sure I understand your
10 question. There is, certainly, judgment
11 involved in the SHIP rehabilitation plan, if
12 that's what you're asking me.

13 Q. And your objective was to establish
14 a plan to the best of your ability that would
15 decrease the debt of the company and protect
16 the policyholders' benefits?

17 A. Those were the goals of the plan,
18 yes, sir.

19 Q. Your plan doesn't concern itself
20 with the agents and the brokers that benefit;
21 does it?

22 A. I'm not sure what you mean by
23 "concern itself."

24 Q. You don't address the equities of
25 the agents' right to the commissions that they

1 had vested?

2 A. I think the plan does address that,
3 yes, sir.

4 Q. By suspending the payments?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. So your focus is on the
7 policyholders; is that correct?

8 A. The focus is on the policyholders,
9 yes, sir.

10 Q. And do you consider the agents to be
11 just general creditors?

12 A. Yes, sir.

13 Q. If they are just general creditors,
14 why was it necessary for you to construct a
15 separate section of the plan to address them as
16 opposed to dealing with them as you would any
17 other general creditor?

18 A. Because my Penn Treaty experience
19 informed me that agents would likely appear in
20 the case and wonder how they would be treated,
21 and so we spelled that out rather than leave it
22 unspecified.

23 Q. And that is because there is no
24 provision protecting the action to suspend the
25 agents' commission in the statutes in

1 Pennsylvania; correct?

2 A. I don't believe the statutes
3 specifically address that.

4 Q. Thank you. I would like you to take
5 a look at what was marked by the
6 Rehabilitator's counsel as Exhibit 10. I
7 believe that's RP 10, which was described when
8 it was introduced as an exemplar of the agent
9 contract, agency contracts with SHIP in this
10 case.

11 Are you familiar with that document?

12 A. Somewhat. And this looks like that
13 document. Obviously you don't have the whole
14 document up on the screen. So from what I can
15 see, that's what it looks like.

16 Q. Does that look familiar to you, sir?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. Okay. Would you go to Paragraph 7
19 of that contract, sir. And do you see where it
20 provides that the commissions have --

21 A. May I read that paragraph to myself,
22 sir?

23 Q. Absolutely. Absolutely. Please do.

24 A. Okay. I read it.

25 Q. Do you agree that that provision

1 provides or recognizes that the commissions of
2 the agents have vested?

3 A. That is what it says.

4 Q. And you don't have any evidence to
5 the contrary; do you?

6 A. No.

7 MR. DONLEY: If you will
8 indulge me one moment, Your Honor.

9 I have nothing further, Your Honor.

10 Thank you very much, sir.

11 Appreciate it.

12 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Donley, is
13 the amended Penn Treaty rehabilitation plan an
14 exhibit?

15 MR. LESLIE: Yes, Your Honor.

16 Oh, I'm sorry, do you mean a previously marked
17 exhibit?

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: Right.

19 MR. LESLIE: Then no, Your
20 Honor.

21 JUDGE LEAVITT: Could you
22 provide one.

23 MR. LESLIE: Yes, we will
24 provide it.

25 JUDGE LEAVITT: And that will

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 327</p> <p>1 be marked as Agent's No. 1. 2 MR. LESLIE: That's fine, Your 3 Honor. 4 (Agent's Exhibit No. 1 was 5 marked for identification.) 6 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Horwich? 7 CROSS-EXAMINATION 8 BY MR. HORWICH: 9 Q. Good afternoon, Your Honor. Good 10 afternoon, Mr. Cantilo. 11 For the record, I am Harold Horwich 12 and this is Benjamin Cordiano from Morgan Lewis 13 & Bockius representing the health insurers. 14 Mr. Cantilo, yesterday you referred 15 to actuarial assumptions that were incorrect at 16 the time the insurance policies that SHIP has 17 assumed, that those were inaccurate when the 18 policies were issued; is that correct? 19 A. Yes, sir. 20 Q. Was the effect of those incorrect 21 actuarial assumptions that the policies were 22 underpriced when they were issued? 23 A. I believe so, yes, sir. 24 Q. And there were several assumptions 25 that were inaccurate; right?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 328</p> <p>1 A. In my opinion, yes, sir. 2 Q. So those assumptions would have 3 included, among others, assumptions about 4 morbidity and mortality? 5 A. Certainly morbidity. I don't know, 6 sir, to what extent the mortality assumptions 7 were wrong. 8 Q. Would they also have included 9 incorrect assumptions about interest rates? 10 A. Yes, sir. 11 Q. And the If Knew Premium develops a 12 premium based on a correction of all of these 13 assumptions; correct? 14 A. Yes, sir. 15 Q. So it develops a premium based on a 16 hindsight look at what actually happened? 17 A. Correct. 18 Q. So the decision by the Rehabilitator 19 to use the If Knew Premium in the plan, does 20 that depend on the cause of the errors in the 21 assumptions? 22 A. No. 23 Q. So it's just designed to rectify the 24 inaccuracies in the assumption, whatever their 25 cause was?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 329</p> <p>1 A. The effect of them, yes, sir. 2 Q. Mr. Cantilo, are you familiar with 3 the six insurance policies that were posted on 4 the share site? 5 A. I have seen those, yes, sir. 6 MR. HORWICH: Your Honor, we 7 are going to distribute those and ask that they 8 be moved into evidence. These will be, I 9 think, H 1. 10 (Deposition Exhibit No. H 1 11 was marked for identification.) 12 BY MR. HORWICH: 13 Q. Mr. Cantilo, just looking at these 14 policies briefly, and take your time, do these 15 appear to be accurate copies of the policies 16 that were on the share site? 17 A. Just glancing at them, that seems to 18 be exactly right. 19 Q. And were you involved in the 20 selection of these policies to post on the 21 share site? 22 A. Yes, in the sense that I asked SHIP 23 staff to select one sample policy for each of 24 the intervening agents. 25 Q. Thank you.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 330</p> <p>1 A. I did not select the actual policy. 2 Q. And these are policies that were 3 issued by companies that were predecessors of 4 SHIP; correct? 5 A. Yes, sir. 6 Q. And then these policies were -- the 7 obligations under these policies were then 8 assumed by SHIP? 9 A. Yes, sir. 10 MR. HORWICH: Your Honor, I 11 would request that these policies be admitted 12 into evidence as Intervenor Health Insurers 13 Exhibit H 1. 14 JUDGE LEAVITT: Is there any 15 opposition? 16 MR. BROADBENT: None from us. 17 COUNSEL: No, Your Honor. 18 JUDGE LEAVITT: They are 19 admitted. 20 (Exhibit H 1 was admitted into 21 evidence.) 22 BY MR. HORWICH: 23 Q. Have you, Mr. Cantilo, reviewed the 24 provisions of these policies that deal with the 25 company's right to modify premiums?</p>

1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. And as an expert in long-term care
3 insurance rehabilitation, would you say that
4 these provisions are typical of long-term care
5 insurance policies issued in the LTC insurance
6 industry?

7 A. Yes, sir.

8 Q. And, in general, Mr. Cantilo, what
9 do these provisions that deal with premium
10 rates provide as far as the right of the
11 insurance company to increase those premium
12 rates?

13 A. In general, the policies provide
14 that the company may change the premium rate
15 going forward. Some policies go further and
16 provide that those rate increases in the future
17 will require the approval of state regulators,
18 and some policies go even further and specify
19 that such rate increases will be sought only as
20 to the group of similar policies, not as to one
21 policy individually.

22 So I guess you could say they fall
23 into three different buckets.

24 Q. Right. And do any of the policies
25 provide for a specific methodology applied to

1 rate increases?

2 A. I have never seen one. But that --

3 Q. They don't specify If Knew Premium?

4 A. I have never seen one that does.

5 Q. And likewise, they don't prohibit a
6 premium rating methodology that would seek to
7 recover for past underpricing; do they?

8 A. I have never seen a policy that does
9 that.

10 Q. And is the rate increase methodology
11 used in the plan in Phase One, is that
12 consistent with the provisions of these
13 policies?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Now, the policies at issue in this
16 case were all not originally issued by SHIP, is
17 that correct; they were issued by other
18 carriers?

19 A. Yes, sir.

20 Q. And then, subsequently, they were
21 assumed by SHIP?

22 A. Eventually, yes, sir.

23 Q. And did policyholders receive
24 written notice of that assumption?

25 A. I am not sure whether they all

1 received written notice. I believe most or all
2 of them had an endorsement sent to them that at
3 least changed the name of the company. Some of
4 the endorsements may have gone further. I have
5 not looked at all of them.

6 Q. Right. But would it be reasonable
7 to assume that those endorsements notified
8 policyholders that their policies had been
9 assumed by SHIP?

10 A. Yes, sir.

11 Q. And would it be reasonable to assume
12 that all of the policies have some form of
13 notice or endorsement informing the
14 policyholder that their policy had been assumed
15 by SHIP?

16 A. Yes. I make that assumption.

17 Q. And would policyholders who have
18 been informed that their policies have been
19 assumed by SHIP, would it have been reasonably
20 straightforward for them to find out that SHIP
21 was a Pennsylvania-domiciled insurance company?

22 A. I think that the endorsements
23 typically stated that.

24 Q. But in any event, it wasn't a secret
25 that it was a Pennsylvania-domiciled company?

1 A. That is correct.

2 Q. Now, the intervening regulators
3 state in their papers that the regulators, that
4 the Maine Insurance Department reviews rates to
5 ensure that "the rates are not excessive,
6 inadequate or unfairly discriminatory."

7 And in Massachusetts and Washington,
8 the regulators ensure that "the benefits
9 provided therein are not unreasonable in
10 relation to the premium charged."

11 Do the rates contemplated by the If
12 Knew methodology meet these requirements?

13 A. In my opinion, they do.

14 Q. Now, earlier, there was some
15 cross-examination on the question of whether
16 the modifications in Phase One are permanent.
17 They are permanent; is that correct?

18 A. That's the intent of the plan, yes,
19 sir.

20 Q. But the policies, as modified by the
21 plan, are still entitled to guaranty
22 association protection; correct?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. They don't lose that protection for
25 the modified policies as a result of the plan?

1 A. That is correct, sir.

2 Q. Now, the guaranty association
3 statutes, other than the New Jersey statute,
4 have a limit on covered benefits; is that
5 correct?

6 A. Yes, sir. I think there is some
7 question as to whether the Utah statute has a
8 limit as well, but, certainly, with the
9 exception of Utah and New Jersey, the rest all
10 have limits, yes, sir.

11 Q. Now, the limit of benefits that
12 would be covered under guaranty association
13 statute, that would be the maximum policy value
14 as we have been discussing it this morning?

15 A. That would be a comparable measure,
16 yes, sir.

17 Q. And the present value of net future
18 benefits, which we have also been discussing
19 this morning, that would not be a factor in the
20 limits of guaranty association coverage; would
21 it?

22 A. That is correct, sir.

23 Q. Mr. Cantilo, you were involved in
24 the Penn Treaty receivership. Are you familiar
25 with the options that were offered to

1 policyholders by the guaranty associations in
2 Penn Treaty?

3 A. Generally.

4 Q. And did the liquidator in that case
5 participate in the formulation of those
6 options?

7 A. No.

8 Q. And can you tell us how the
9 non-forfeiture option under the Second Amended
10 Rehabilitation Plan compares with the
11 non-forfeiture option offered by the guaranty
12 associations to policyholders in the Penn
13 Treaty case?

14 A. The non-forfeiture option offered
15 under the Second Amended Rehabilitation Plan,
16 in my opinion, is substantially more generous
17 for most policyholders than the non-forfeiture
18 option that I understand was offered by the
19 various guaranty associations in the Penn
20 Treaty liquidation.

21 Q. Under the Second Amended
22 Rehabilitation Plan, I believe you testified
23 that Option 2 under the plan is intended to
24 provide a scaled back and, therefore, more
25 affordable level of coverage to policyholders;

1 is that correct?

2 A. That's true for many policyholders,
3 yes, sir.

4 Q. And are you aware of whether such an
5 option was provided by the guaranty
6 association's policyholders in Penn Treaty?

7 A. In my understanding, it was not.

8 Q. Now, you are familiar with the
9 non-forfeiture option that is offered by SHIP
10 to its policyholders prior to the
11 rehabilitation?

12 A. Yes, sir.

13 Q. And, in general, if one compared the
14 present value of the benefits under that
15 non-forfeiture option with the present value of
16 benefits under the policy that that
17 non-forfeiture option replaced, is it your view
18 that, in general, the present value of the
19 policy would exceed the present value of the
20 non-forfeiture option?

21 A. Generally, yes, sir.

22 Q. Earlier I believe you testified that
23 over 9,000 policyholders selected the
24 non-forfeiture option prior to the
25 rehabilitation on policies that were still --

1 that are still in force?

2 A. I think it's just a bit under 9,000
3 as of today.

4 Q. And what percentage of SHIP's total
5 in force long-term care policies have elected
6 the non-forfeiture option?

7 A. I believe it's 23 percent.

8 Q. Okay. And so the regulators say in
9 their papers that "the most plausible scenario
10 is one assuming that each policyholder would
11 choose the rehabilitation option that would
12 provide them with the greatest value."

13 Assuming that that value was
14 determined on the basis of net present value of
15 the benefits, do you agree with that
16 assumption?

17 A. No.

18 Q. And is it your testimony that
19 policyholders choose not only on the basis of
20 value in the abstract, but also on the basis of
21 what's valuable to them as individuals?

22 A. That is part of the reason, yes,
23 sir.

24 Q. Now, if the Court approves the
25 Second Amended Rehabilitation Plan, from the

1 date of that approval, approximately how many
2 months do you think it will take to implement
3 the plan?

4 A. Six, approximately.

5 Q. And when we talk about implementing
6 the plan, at least my reference is to putting
7 together, offering regulators the opt out
8 option and sending packages to the
9 policyholders, are we agreed on that as a
10 definition of implementing the plan?

11 A. Yeah. And I would add to that
12 sequence, receiving policyholder elections.

13 Q. Okay. So the period that you
14 identify would get us from, basically, ground
15 zero to having options selected?

16 A. Yes, sir.

17 Q. And how many months after that do
18 you think it will be until the Rehabilitator
19 knows how much of the funding gap was resolved?

20 A. I think we probably will have some
21 good guidance on that within the next two to
22 three months.

23 Q. So within eight months of approval
24 of the plan, less -- well, less than a year,
25 the Rehabilitator will know how much of the

1 well. Are there any agreements besides the
2 assumption agreements or the agency agreements
3 themselves?

4 A. None of which I am aware.

5 Q. Is there anything, to your
6 knowledge, is there anything in the insurance
7 policies that impose an obligation on SHIP to
8 pay agent commissions?

9 A. No, sir. At least none that I have
10 seen. And I have looked at a number of
11 policies looking for exactly that provision.

12 Q. You testified under the plan that
13 payment of the agents is deferred to Phase
14 Three of the plan?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. And what other types of creditors
17 are having their payments deferred to Phase
18 Three?

19 A. If there is an unfunded benefit
20 liability that remains, they would be in that
21 category. There will be a number of fees and
22 taxes owed to state authorities around the
23 country that have been deferred.

24 If there are amounts still owed to
25 American Health & Life and to Primamerica on

1 funding gap has been closed?

2 A. We expect that, yes, sir.

3 Q. I would like now to direct some
4 questions to the agency relationships that SHIP
5 has.

6 When SHIP assumed the long-term care
7 policies from the various insurance companies,
8 did it also assume agreements with the agents
9 that produced those policies?

10 A. That is my understanding, yes, sir.

11 Q. And do those agreements govern the
12 relationship between SHIP and the agents?

13 A. Yes, sir.

14 Q. And, to your knowledge, are there
15 any other agreements to which SHIP is a party
16 that govern SHIP's obligations to those agents?

17 A. I'm not sure whether you would
18 characterize these as agreements, but there
19 were assignments made by which SHIP or SHIP's
20 predecessors assumed the responsibility of
21 fulfilling the company's part of those agency
22 agreements.

23 Q. Fine. Okay. So those, I think,
24 those are a certain part of the agency
25 agreements but the assumption agreements as

1 account of claims that they have paid and which
2 they assert SHIP should have paid, then those
3 would be in that category.

4 And there may be some creditors that
5 are entitled to payment for services or goods
6 rendered to SHIP that have not yet been paid.

7 Q. Thank you.

8 A. And I should add, there may be
9 amounts owed to former employees as well in
10 that category.

11 Q. So during the implementation of the
12 plan, are any expenses being paid other than
13 current expenses necessary for the
14 implementation of the plan?

15 A. Yes, sir. All claims are being paid
16 in full.

17 Q. Besides claims and current operating
18 expenses?

19 A. No, sir.

20 Q. And are the ongoing services of the
21 agents needed for the success of the plan?

22 A. I'm not sure what the ongoing
23 services of the agents are, sir.

24 Q. So you're not aware of any services
25 that they're rendering at this point?

1 A. I am not, no, sir.

2 Q. And if they were, do you believe
3 that they would be essential to the success of
4 the plan?

5 A. No, sir.

6 Q. Just one point on the ANIC plan that
7 was referred to a few minutes ago. Now, under
8 that plan, the policies that had been assigned
9 to ANIC, were those policies going to be paid
10 in full?

11 A. The way that plan worked, some of
12 those policies might have been modified before
13 they were assigned to ANIC. But once they
14 became ANIC policies, they would be paid in
15 full.

16 Q. Now, under the existing arrangements
17 with the agents, do the agents collect any
18 premium for the company?

19 A. Today?

20 Q. Yeah.

21 A. I don't believe so, no, sir.

22 Q. And to your knowledge, has -- does
23 SHIP now, or has it ever, segregated a premium
24 for the payment of agent commissions?

25 A. No, sir.

1 would be much appreciated, Your Honor.

2 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right. We
3 will recess for ten minutes.

4 MR. BROADBENT: That will be
5 sufficient. Thank you.

6 (Short recess taken.)

7 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Broadbent.

8 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you,
9 Your Honor.

10 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
11 BY MR. BROADBENT:

12 Q. Mr. Cantilo, this morning, you spent
13 some significant time with Mr. Leslie
14 discussing present value benefit, present value
15 premium analysis.

16 Do you recall that?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. Is it your view that that analysis
19 is meaningless in assessing the plan?

20 A. Not at all, sir. If I left that
21 impression, I did not intend to.

22 Q. I will just ask you, what is the
23 value of that analysis?

24 A. So as other techniques of projecting
25 the insurance company's commission, the present

1 Q. So there are no trust funds or other
2 segregated funds out of which premiums are
3 paid?

4 A. With the exception of the trust fund
5 to which I referred yesterday from -- for the
6 business assumed by reinsurance from
7 Transamerica, the answer is no.

8 The claims and commissions
9 attributable to the Transamerica business would
10 be paid out of that trust fund.

11 Q. But payments on policies for which
12 SHIP is the primary responsible party, that
13 would not be the case?

14 A. That is correct.

15 MR. HORWICH: Give me one
16 minute, please, Your Honor.

17 That is all the questions we have,
18 Your Honor. Thank you very much.

19 JUDGE LEAVITT: Thank you. Is
20 Mr. Lapinski in the courtroom, a policyholder,
21 or Mr. Tobin? Well, that completes the
22 cross-examination.

23 Would you like a few minutes before
24 you begin your redirect?

25 MR. BROADBENT: Yes, that

1 value of benefits net expenses less the present
2 value of premiums is a very useful tool for
3 assessing both the current financial condition
4 of the company, that is does it have enough
5 money to pay its anticipated liabilities, and
6 also for measuring the impact in the aggregate
7 of each plan and option on that financial
8 condition.

9 So we do use that measure for those
10 purposes. I only meant to suggest that it was
11 not an appropriate measure for determining
12 whether a particular option was the best option
13 for a particular policyholder.

14 So I would not use it for either
15 greatest value or best interest, as the
16 regulators have done.

17 Q. The regulators I think used the term
18 "rational policyholder." So I will ask that
19 directly. Do you think the present value
20 analysis they described informs you what a
21 rational policyholder would do?

22 A. No. I think a rational policyholder
23 would take subjective considerations into
24 account as well, and those play no role in the
25 formula used by the regulators.

1 Q. Did you testify earlier that the
2 Rehabilitator and her team, by that I mean you
3 and Oliver Wyman, have taken into account
4 policyholder preferences?

5 A. Did we take that into account, yes,
6 absolutely.

7 Q. Have you spoken to any policyholders
8 during the time in which you have been Special
9 Deputy Rehabilitator?

10 A. Yes, I have, a few.

11 Q. Have any of those conversations
12 involved the options available under the plan?

13 A. Yes, a few.

14 Q. Any of those conversations that
15 might address the issue of what might provide
16 the best value or rational value for a
17 policyholder?

18 A. As I was able to do so with some
19 policyholders, I walked them through the same
20 analysis as the policyholder guidance page that
21 we had here yesterday. And for many of them,
22 for the ones I spoke to, I should say, it was
23 enlightening, because at least one or two told
24 me, well, we were inclined, from reading the
25 materials, to do the option X, and now that you

1 point out these results, which of course we
2 don't have for our individual policy, it seems
3 to me that option Y is better for me, which I
4 found encouraging.

5 It removed -- I mean, it
6 corroborated my suspicion that giving that kind
7 of detail would be very helpful guidance to the
8 policyholders.

9 Q. Did any of those policyholders
10 mention the present value of benefits or the
11 present value of premiums?

12 A. No, we didn't talk about that.

13 Q. Mr. Cantilo, there was also some
14 discussion this morning from Mr. Leslie
15 regarding the elections under the plan must be
16 permanent.

17 Do you recall that?

18 A. Yes, sir.

19 Q. Further discussion as to whether we
20 might come back to the Court and confer with
21 the Court on what the options were, et cetera;
22 do you recall that as well?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. In your view, is there any harm if
25 the plan is approved does not make the

1 elections permanent?

2 A. I think it would make the plan
3 ineffective. It would amount to just polling
4 the policyholders about what they like. But
5 for the plan to help both with respect to the
6 deficit that the company faces and with respect
7 to the correction of what I view as the premium
8 rate inequities, the modifications would have
9 to be permanent.

10 In other words, you couldn't give
11 with one hand and then take back with the
12 other. It doesn't help any.

13 Q. Finally, a few questions,
14 Mr. Cantilo, on the subject of guaranty
15 associations and the benefits available. Do
16 you recall discussing that topic with
17 Mr. Leslie this morning and this afternoon?

18 A. I do.

19 Q. In your view, do policyholders have
20 an absolute right to the benefits that may be
21 available from the guaranty association?

22 A. No, sir. I think that depends on
23 the circumstances and the law applicable under
24 the circumstances.

25 Q. So then in your view, sir, are the

1 policyholders giving up any absolute right that
2 they have in making an election under the plan?

3 A. No, I don't believe so.

4 Q. Do you have a view as to whether the
5 guaranty associations across the states can
6 offer the options that the plan proposes to
7 give the policyholders?

8 A. I do have a view about that because
9 we looked at that fairly carefully in
10 evaluating whether we should go into
11 rehabilitation or liquidation early on. And we
12 concluded that at least two of the options that
13 we're able to offer under the plan could not be
14 available in liquidation. That is the enhanced
15 reduced benefit option. And -- I'm sorry, the
16 enhanced non-forfeiture option, and Option 4,
17 keeping your full coverage and paying whatever
18 premium that would take.

19 I get that guaranty associations can
20 also structure reduced benefit options, but I
21 think some benefit options would be beyond
22 their capability.

23 Q. Mr. Cantilo, do you recall
24 Mr. Leslie referring frequently to the burden
25 that may be placed on policyholders if the plan

1 is approved?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. In your view, sir, would
4 policyholders bear some burden if SHIP were
5 immediately liquidated as well?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. What would that burden be?

8 A. For one thing, their benefits would
9 be limited to the applicable statutory limit at
10 least until the issue was resolved under
11 Pennsylvania law.

12 For another, they would lose the
13 ability to select some of the options I just
14 identified that would not be available under
15 liquidation.

16 MR. BROADBENT: No further
17 questions, Your Honor. That is all I have for
18 Mr. Cantilo.

19 JUDGE LEAVITT: Does any
20 intervenor wish to do some very brief recross?

21 COUNSEL: Not us.

22 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.
23 That's good news.

24 Mr. Cantilo, I just have a couple of
25 questions.

1 recent statutory statement?

2 THE WITNESS: Definitely. The
3 commission liability is specified in our
4 financials, and I apologize, Your Honor, for
5 not having that number memorized.

6 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.
7 Unless you have more questions, you are
8 excused, Mr. Cantilo.

9 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your
10 Honor.

11 (The witness was excused.)

12 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Broadbent,
13 would you like to present -- is your first
14 witness Mr. Lambright?

15 MR. BROADBENT: Yes, Your
16 Honor. Our next witness is Mr. Lambright. We
17 expect him to be on the stand for a short
18 period of time. I'm happy to offer him now.

19 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay. Why
20 don't we keep going.

21 MR. BROADBENT: The
22 Rehabilitator calls Marc Lambright.

23 MARC LAMBRIGHT, a witness herein,
24 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
25 testified as follows:

1 Do you know if policyholders who are
2 on premium waiver, whether their agents are
3 paid a commission?

4 THE WITNESS: The company
5 generally does not pay commissions on premium
6 not collected because of the waiver of right or
7 termination or lapses.

8 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay. I
9 believe, and this came up during your
10 examination by Mr. Leslie, the 2020 premium
11 revenues were approximately \$58 billion. I
12 could be incorrect, but that is my memory.

13 THE WITNESS: That is correct,
14 Your Honor.

15 JUDGE LEAVITT: And about ten
16 percent of that is paid to the agents?

17 THE WITNESS: I don't recall.
18 The rates vary a fair amount among the agents.

19 JUDGE LEAVITT: I'm sure it
20 does.

21 THE WITNESS: But I think some
22 of them get six percent and some of them may
23 get as much as ten percent.

24 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay. All
25 right. That would probably be in the most

1 DIRECT EXAMINATION

2 BY MR. BROADBENT:

3 Q. Good morning, sir. Can you please
4 state your name for the record?

5 A. Sure. My name is Marc Lambright.

6 Q. Mr. Lambright, are you currently
7 employed?

8 A. I am employed.

9 Q. Who is your employer?

10 A. Oliver Wyman actuary consulting.

11 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Lambright,
12 could you move closer to the microphone.

13 BY MR. BROADBENT:

14 Q. Mr. Lambright, what is your chosen
15 profession?

16 A. I'm an actuary.

17 Q. Well, I think all of us understand
18 what that means. Just briefly can you explain
19 what an actuary is and what an actuary does?

20 A. Sure. I specialize in financial
21 reporting, valuation issues. I am a health
22 actuary, so I would be involved in types of
23 business that are generally considered accident
24 and health, things like medical long-term care,
25 long-term disability, other ancillary products.

1 Q. Mr. Lambright, I am going to ask
2 Mr. Martin to pull up RP 8. Specifically,
3 Mr. Lambright, the page on the screen, can you
4 tell me what that document is?

5 A. That is my CV.

6 Q. Is the CV true and correct as of the
7 date it was prepared?

8 A. It is.

9 Q. Does it remain materially correct as
10 of today?

11 A. It does.

12 Q. Mr. Lambright, the exhibit was
13 previously admitted before the Court so I am
14 just going to ask you a few questions which you
15 may need to refer to the CV if you need to do
16 so, but just generally can you summarize your
17 professional experience for the Court?

18 A. Sure. I have been doing actuary
19 work for about 27 years, the last 13 years or
20 so with Oliver Wyman. Ten years prior to that,
21 I worked with KPMG largely in auditing health
22 insurers. Prior to that, I spent about four
23 years with the CIGNA corporation.

24 I'm currently the chairperson of the
25 Financial Reporting and Solvency Committee with

1 Q. Mr. Lambright, in the course of your
2 work for Oliver Wyman, have you provided any
3 services to the Pennsylvania Insurance
4 Department with respect to SHIP?

5 A. I did.

6 Q. Can you describe generally what that
7 engagement was?

8 A. Sure. In early 2017, we were
9 engaged by the Pennsylvania Insurance
10 Department to, basically, participate in a
11 target examination of certain, you know, facets
12 of SHIP's operation, focusing on traditional
13 actuarial items. Most of the work was related
14 to reserves and, you know, reserving
15 assumptions.

16 We also did some work, a little bit
17 of work related to investments and a little bit
18 of work with reinsurance, but the focus was on
19 the, you know, actuarial items and actuarial
20 assumptions.

21 Q. Mr. Lambright, what is a targeted
22 examination in the sense that you used it?

23 A. Typically, insurers will be examined
24 on a cycle. This, the examinations are pretty
25 straightforward. There is no ANIC manuals on

1 the American Academy of Actuaries Health
2 Practice Council and currently do, as I
3 mentioned, a fair amount of valuation work,
4 also do some pricing, some mergers and
5 acquisitions and other regulatory work.

6 Q. I think in that last answer, other
7 regulatory work, do you provide services to
8 financial regulators or insurance regulators?

9 A. I do. I provide services for
10 multiple states.

11 Q. Within the experience which you had
12 testified, did your work include long-term care
13 insurance?

14 A. It has.

15 Q. Can you just generally describe your
16 experience with long-term care insurance
17 matters?

18 A. I spent a couple of years in my
19 career pricing long-term care insurance.
20 Following that, I did a fair amount of audit
21 work, quoted several long-term care insurance
22 insurers. I have done examinations of multiple
23 insurers for the State of Pennsylvania. I have
24 worked as an outsourced actuary for some
25 accounting firm and long-term care insurance.

1 how to conduct those widespread financial
2 examinations. This targeted examination was
3 really only related to specific items that the
4 insurance department in this instance was
5 really interested in knowing more about.

6 Q. Was the examination on the cycle to
7 which you just referred?

8 A. No. It was off cycle. So it wasn't
9 any full breadth examination.

10 Q. Sir, did you say that the engagement
11 began early 2017?

12 A. Early 2017 related to year-end 2016
13 financials.

14 Q. Do you have any understanding as to
15 what led the Department to conduct an off cycle
16 examination?

17 A. Sure. I mean, they obviously had
18 been monitoring SHIP. There were a few
19 concerns noted in the 2013 regular on cycle
20 examination. 2016, they, you know, reported
21 financials that had a new reinsurance
22 arrangement in the net reported financial
23 results which they had some questions about and
24 they had some ongoing questions related to
25 certain investments. So there were some

1 specific items that they were interested in
2 exploring further.

3 Q. Just so the record is clear, sir,
4 how did you come to the understanding of what
5 led the Department to conduct the examination?

6 A. Just primarily from discussing the
7 reasons for the examination with the
8 individuals that the Department engaged.

9 Q. Did Oliver Wyman's work as part of
10 that target examination include any analysis of
11 the reserves of the company?

12 A. It did. It was a large focus of the
13 examination, as you might imagine, with the,
14 you know, disabled life reserves and active
15 life reserves being the largest liabilities of
16 the company.

17 Q. Sir, can you just briefly again for
18 the record define the disabled life reserves
19 and the active life reserves as well as the
20 concept of life reserves generally?

21 A. Sure. With regard to insurance,
22 obviously, you know, the insurance company is
23 going to receive premiums and, you know,
24 associated with its premiums they have certain
25 benefit obligations.

1 same page as to what Oliver Wyman was doing,
2 did the work include any close analysis of the
3 investments or the assets of SHIP?

4 A. We did some limited review, but they
5 had some other consultants engaged at the time
6 so we didn't do a full depth review of the
7 assets or the investments.

8 Q. Did Oliver Wyman's work include any
9 close analysis of the reinsurance transactions?

10 A. We did review the reinsurance
11 transactions. There were some real questions
12 that were raised fairly early on. It wasn't
13 clear if the transactions would be permanent or
14 not. So we decided to pivot during the
15 examination and really, you know, look at the
16 company more on a gross basis, not taking into
17 consideration specifically the Roebling Re
18 arrangement.

19 We did look at obviously some other
20 more traditional and likely more durable
21 reinsurance arrangements that the SHIP was also
22 engaged or agreed to.

23 Q. Mr. Lambright, I have referred a few
24 times to you or to Oliver Wyman. Are you the
25 only person at Oliver Wyman doing this work?

1 The benefit obligations for
2 long-term care insurers are -- could be
3 probably categorized as providing benefits to
4 people that are currently on claims so those
5 are oftentimes referred to as disabled life
6 reserves.

7 There is a reported and a
8 non-reported component of that so you may have
9 heard the term IBNR, and that could be a
10 substantial liability of the company, or
11 incurred but not reported claims. And then the
12 other large piece is what is often referred to
13 as active life reserve. And, due to the nature
14 of many insurance products, you basically have
15 somewhat level funding of premiums, but then
16 the benefits tend to be back weighted so you
17 need to accumulate assets in order to pay those
18 claims on the back end.

19 So really the active life reserve is
20 set up to, basically, ensure that the balance
21 sheet has, you know, sufficient assets to -- to
22 ensure that the liability is properly stated to
23 cover those pre-funded benefits.

24 Q. And I will return to the reserves in
25 a moment, but just to make sure we are on the

1 A. I had several people on my staff
2 that were supporting the work.

3 Q. Who was the lead role?

4 A. I was in the lead role.

5 Q. So with respect to the reserves
6 analysis conducted by Oliver Wyman, what is the
7 actuarial component of that?

8 A. I mean, the reserves are generally
9 thought of as mostly actuarial. As far as the
10 actuary's job in setting reserves is to come up
11 with specific assumptions that make sense for
12 the -- related to the obligations created by
13 the insurance contracts.

14 And largely, the assumptions are
15 related to the likely occurrence of a claim so
16 we have claim instances in claim one
17 termination which is essentially how long a
18 claim will, you know, somebody will be on a
19 claim, how long the benefit will last.

20 Obviously benefit amounts, how much
21 we pay during that point in time, the point in
22 time that those claims will take place.

23 We talk about discounting a number
24 of times today the discount component or
25 interest component has a significant impact on

1 developing the reserves.

2 Again, whether or not somebody will
3 be around at a certain point in time and would
4 have a claim would depend upon mortality
5 assumptions, death rates, as well as, you know,
6 voluntary lapse assumptions. So basically if
7 somebody needs to be covered, they're going to
8 have claims, they are going to, you know, incur
9 costs from the insurance company at a certain
10 point in time and those costs would be offset
11 by premiums in the intermittent period.

12 But those are the most significant
13 components of reserving.

14 Q. At the time of the targeted
15 examination, had SHIP engaged an actuarial firm
16 to conduct the analyses you were describing?

17 A. SHIP had engaged Milliman at that
18 point. It's my understanding that they were
19 serving as the actuary to SHIP for a
20 significant period of time, if not since its
21 inception.

22 Q. As part of the targeted examination,
23 what role did Oliver Wyman play specifically as
24 to the assumptions?

25 A. So our job was to really review

1 So really it was kind of a deep dive
2 into, you know, really things that impacted the
3 reserves and impact the, you know, reported
4 financial position of the company.

5 Q. Was it Oliver Wyman's role to decide
6 as part of that analysis whether the
7 assumptions were, for lack of a better way of
8 saying it, right or wrong?

9 A. No. I mean, ultimately that's the
10 responsibility of management and the opining
11 actuary. We made several recommendations
12 related to the assumptions, and we also made
13 several suggestions for -- related to ongoing
14 monitoring that we thought were --

15 Q. Mr. Lambright, were you in one of
16 the courtrooms or ancillary rooms yesterday?

17 A. Was I in the courtroom? Yeah, I was
18 in both, actually. Yes.

19 Q. I would like to show you -- are you
20 familiar with the fact that Mr. Cantilo
21 presented certain slides during his testimony?

22 A. I am familiar with that fact.

23 Q. I would like to show you one of
24 those slides. Slide 53, please.

25 Mr. Lambright, just take a moment to

1 various actuarial work products, and then the
2 underlying assumptions created by the, you
3 know, that were driving those work products.

4 So a big part of the actuarial work
5 that would be done at any year end is to
6 prepare an actuarial opinion, which basically
7 states that the liabilities are adequate -- in
8 simplest terms and that based on cash flow
9 testing, that the assets were sufficient to
10 support those liabilities.

11 And, again, that is very general
12 terms. It's a little more sophisticated than
13 that. And as part of that, you need to make a
14 series of fairly complicated assumptions, and
15 our job was largely to, you know, validate or
16 invalidate, I guess, certain assumptions or,
17 you know, make recommendations related to
18 certain assumptions.

19 So they really wanted us to dig into
20 the same information that Milliman was using or
21 the same reports that they were using in
22 setting reserve assumptions underlying the
23 actuarial opinions in the actuarial memorandum
24 that basically, you know, summarized or
25 provided documentation for those assumptions.

1 review this and make sure you are familiar with
2 what the document is and what it says.

3 Mr. Cantilo yesterday testified, as
4 it says on the slide here, that these are
5 certain observations or actions taken by the
6 Department in 2017 for year-end 2016.

7 Do you see that description on the
8 slide?

9 A. I do.

10 Q. For those bullet points, the four
11 bullet points under the initial header there
12 PID observations and actions, was Oliver Wyman
13 involved with any of the work PID was doing on
14 those items?

15 A. Those items were all certain things
16 that we reviewed during the course of the
17 examination.

18 Q. The fourth bullet point there, PID
19 assumption recommendations, did Oliver Wyman
20 play a role in developing those
21 recommendations?

22 A. We did. I mean, the first two items
23 were really recommendations that we made with
24 regard to the assumptions. Part of the design
25 of the examination was that we would ask

1 Milliman to basically rerun their models under
2 different assumptions and that's what the third
3 bullet is related to, one of the scenarios we
4 asked them to run.

5 Q. Generally, did Oliver Wyman assess
6 the way in which assumptions might affect the
7 future outcomes for the company?

8 A. I'm sorry, can you repeat the
9 question?

10 Q. Yeah. So that the -- what you
11 identified here is that the alternative
12 assumptions indicate a potential surplus
13 overstatement of a certain number. Was that
14 the only scenario run by Oliver Wyman or were
15 there multiple scenarios?

16 A. There were multiple scenarios. The
17 base scenario was basically indicating reserve
18 adequacy. The number that was stated there was
19 the high end, and there were multiple scenarios
20 in between, I guess, those two points. So
21 there were multiple scenarios and results.

22 Q. Did the work Oliver Wyman did for
23 the department at this time result in any final
24 written presentation or report?

25 A. Yeah. We did provide a written

1 were clearly around areas of judgment, which is
2 one of the reasons why we ran multiple
3 scenarios, got multiple answers, and I think
4 they were somewhat receptive to, you know,
5 maybe a small number of the assumptions, but
6 largely, you know, indicated that they were
7 fine with their view of the data and, you know,
8 some of the contention was around using more
9 data that would go back further, so kind of a
10 longer period and it gives you more data
11 points, and our view is that if you look at
12 what has happened more recently, you could get
13 different answers than we asked them to run in
14 the scenarios.

15 So I think they basically said they
16 were fine with what they were doing and largely
17 didn't take many recommendations at that point.

18 Q. Just for the sake of the record, you
19 used the term "they" and "their." Can you
20 clarify who you meant?

21 A. So those would be the actuaries at
22 Milliman that were -- basically, provided
23 responses to our recommendations.

24 Q. Following the meeting which I
25 believe you stated was October 11, 2017, was

1 report to SHIP. We gave SHIP and their
2 actuaries plenty of time to respond to it and
3 then had a meeting in, I believe it was October
4 11th of 2017 where we discussed our report, we
5 discussed the response and we discussed some of
6 the items that, you know, the insurance
7 department was still concerned about at that
8 point in time.

9 Q. Did members of the Department attend
10 that meeting?

11 A. They did.

12 Q. Did representatives of SHIP attend
13 the meeting?

14 A. They did.

15 Q. And representatives of Milliman?

16 A. They did.

17 Q. You mentioned a response from SHIP
18 and Milliman. What were those -- how were
19 those responses provided to you?

20 A. In a formal written response. I
21 think we made about 15 recommendations directly
22 related to, I guess, findings of the
23 examination and then we made several other
24 recommendations related to ongoing monitoring,
25 and I think they -- some of the recommendations

1 there any further work by Oliver Wyman with
2 respect to this off cycle targeted examination?

3 A. We did a little bit of work that I
4 think we completed the next month related to
5 work that was in process on the claim reserve.
6 So they were in the process of strengthening
7 the claim reserves and hadn't completed the
8 analysis.

9 So we did review that analysis and
10 the revised claim reserves in the month of
11 November, or we finished in the month of
12 November. So it would have been shortly after
13 the meeting.

14 Q. Did the company change its position
15 with respect to your recommendations after that
16 November 2017 memorandum?

17 A. I mean, the November memorandum was
18 fairly limited, but they didn't really change
19 anything related to that memorandum or the
20 report of findings. I wouldn't say anything
21 substantial. I don't want to say they didn't
22 change anything because I think they did review
23 our findings and took them seriously, but I
24 think the net effect was pretty limited.

25 Q. Was that the end of your work for

1 the Department with respect to SHIP?

2 A. It was the end of it with respect to
3 the targeted examination. I was asked to do
4 some additional work early the following year
5 after the company was put into supervision or
6 under supervision, rather.

7 Q. Just to break that out, who asked
8 you to do that additional work?

9 A. Largely, the new consultant or
10 representative of the Department, Mr. Cantilo,
11 had asked me to do that work.

12 Q. And I believe you testified it was
13 sometime early in the next year. If you could
14 put a finer point on when that occurred?

15 A. Yeah. It would have been sometime
16 the first quarter of 2018. I can't recall
17 exactly what the date was.

18 Q. Do you have any understanding as to
19 what Mr. Cantilo's role was with respect to
20 SHIP at that time?

21 A. Well, I think there were obviously
22 concerns by the department. They were, you
23 know, under supervision. Mr. Cantilo had been
24 hired at that point to, you know, to look into
25 things and I think really understand what was

1 A. Yeah, so we -- I would have
2 supported Mr. Cantilo on, you know, with this.
3 You know, some of the findings were, or some of
4 these items are related to things where I
5 probably would have provided more advice. We
6 obviously continued to have a lot of back and
7 forth with the actuaries at that point in time
8 to really, you know, get them to further
9 substantiate their reserves.

10 I think the one item that was
11 important, you know, up top is or two of the
12 items, the first item was, one of the first
13 things that we looked at, which is the INR
14 permitted practice which allowed the company's
15 reported surplus position to improve by 72
16 million.

17 I, you know, worked with Mr. Cantilo
18 to, you know, kind of talk through maybe some
19 things that the company might do and, you know,
20 was involved in various meetings where he
21 requested of the company to, you know, come up
22 with a corrective action plan based on, you
23 know, some of the things that we were seeing
24 and some of the other items.

25 Down at the bottom, I think they

1 going on.

2 There were, you know, several items
3 that, you know, that were part of our
4 examination that he was concerned about,
5 obviously the actuarial assumptions, the
6 reserves, some of the investments which we
7 spoke about in a little more detail, you know,
8 during his testimony. The Roebbling Re
9 insurance agreement that was only in place
10 really at year-end '16 and some questions
11 around that.

12 So I think he was largely fact
13 finding and trying to understand things, you
14 know, early on in 2018 to understand what, I
15 guess, advised the Department of what the next
16 steps might be.

17 Q. Mr. Lambright, this is Slide 54 from
18 Mr. Cantilo's presentation describing, again,
19 observations and actions taken by the
20 Pennsylvania Insurance Department and SHIP up
21 at the top there and then below for year-end
22 2017 and 2018.

23 Did your work with Oliver Wyman
24 include any part of these tasks which
25 Mr. Cantilo described yesterday?

1 were obviously pretty significant. By the end
2 of 2018, I think, obviously, the Beechwood
3 asset, you know, the recognition of those
4 losses had a significant impact on the
5 financial position, you know, as did the
6 premium deficiency reserve that was booked at
7 the end of 2018.

8 Q. So did Oliver Wyman provide any
9 advice to Mr. Cantilo with respect to the
10 corrective action plan?

11 A. Oliver Wyman has been providing, you
12 know, ongoing advice. I think the first ask
13 was for the company to come up with their own,
14 and then I think early in the process I did
15 provide, you know, assistance to Mr. Cantilo
16 and then the rest of the team coming up with
17 the corrective action plan.

18 So I did assist and then was --
19 subsequently, one of my colleagues more or less
20 took over involvement in the actual, you know,
21 building of the, you know, the corrective
22 action plans that ultimately became the
23 rehabilitation filing.

24 Q. So who was that colleague?

25 A. Vince Bodnar.

1 Q. And do you recall when Mr. Bodnar
2 joined the team?

3 A. Yeah. Mr. Bodnar joined our firm
4 in, I believe it was March of 2019, so, you
5 know, we spent a fair amount of 2018 kind of
6 continuing to push the company to substantiate
7 some of their assumptions, and then I think
8 Vince and I were kind of, you know, working
9 kind of in tandem really from the outset when
10 he joined the firm because he had some obvious
11 skills in this area supporting Mr. Cantilo and
12 the rest of the team with the corrective action
13 plan really throughout 2019 and kind of jointly
14 attending meetings probably through, you know,
15 I would say roughly third quarter of 2019, and
16 then following that point in time he largely
17 took over, you know, responsibilities for our
18 support of Mr. Cantilo and the team.

19 I did stay on kind of in a more or
20 less advisory role because I had some,
21 obviously, experience understanding the history
22 of the company, understanding, you know, some
23 of the challenges, some of the particulars with
24 different types of policies and provide some,
25 just kind of another set of eyes and ears

1 of this witness.

2 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay.

3 Ms. Glawe?

4 MS. GLAWE: Your Honor, NOLHGA
5 has no questions for this witness.

6 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay.

7 Mr. Donley?

8 MR. DONLEY: Agents and
9 brokers have no questions.

10 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.
11 Mr. Horwich?

12 MR. HORWICH: Likewise, we
13 have no questions of this witness.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: Any redirect?

15 MR. BROADBENT: I have a few
16 hours, Your Honor.

17 JUDGE LEAVITT: You may step
18 down, Mr. Lambright.

19 Would you like a break before you
20 ask your next witness to take the stand?

21 MR. BROADBENT: I think a
22 brief break before Mr. Bodnar coming on the
23 stand would be appreciated, Your Honor.

24 JUDGE LEAVITT: We will take a
25 15-minute break.

1 really with certain items.

2 Q. Final slides to show you,
3 Mr. Lambright, entitled Observations and
4 Actions taken by the Pennsylvania Insurance
5 Department and SHIP. This is Slide 55 from
6 Mr. Cantilo's presentation.

7 That fifth bullet point under 2019
8 and 2020, independent actuarial assumptions
9 developed by Oliver Wyman, between you and
10 Mr. Bodnar, who had a primary role in that
11 task?

12 A. That would have been Mr. Bodnar and
13 the team working for Mr. Bodnar. I think some
14 of the work that I had done, I think, would
15 have helped inform the ultimate development of
16 assumptions, but it would have been his team
17 that dug into the data and independently
18 developed the assumptions.

19 MR. BROADBENT: That is all
20 that I have.

21 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

22 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right, Mr.
23 Leslie, would you like to -- are you ready?

24 MR. LESLIE: Your Honor, the
25 intervening state regulators have no questions

1 (Short recess taken.)

2 JUDGE LEAVITT: All right.
3 Mr. Broadbent.

4 MR. BROADBENT: Thank you,
5 Your Honor. The Rehabilitator calls Vince
6 Bodnar.

7 VINCENT BODNAR, a witness herein,
8 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
9 testified as follows:

10 DIRECT EXAMINATION
11 BY MR. BROADBENT:

12 Q. Sir, can you please state your name
13 for the record?

14 A. Vincent Bodnar.

15 Q. Mr. Bodnar, just to shortcut this,
16 based on Mr. Lambright's testimony, you're an
17 actuary at Oliver Wyman; right?

18 A. Yes, I am.

19 Q. Can you briefly provide for the
20 Court some background on your experience as an
21 actuary generally?

22 A. Sure. I have been an actuary or
23 practicing in that field for 37 years, 31 of
24 those years has been in the specialty of
25 long-term care insurance.

1 I have worked in most aspects of
2 actuarial practice within the long-term care
3 specialty; that would be product development,
4 reserving, reinsurance, financial projections,
5 operations as well as mergers and acquisitions,
6 premium rate increase filings and advisory
7 services to regulators, and also quite a lot of
8 time in volunteering in the professional
9 organizations of the Society of Actuaries and
10 the American Academy of Actuaries.

11 Q. Mr. Bodnar, I'm going to ask
12 Mr. Cantilo to pull up on the screen, if it is
13 not already, what has been marked as RP 8.

14 Mr. Bodnar, just take a look at this
15 document briefly and can you tell me what it
16 is?

17 A. This is my CV.

18 Q. And to your knowledge, does this CV
19 remain materially accurate at this time?

20 A. Yes, it is.

21 Q. Mr. Bodnar, I would like to ask a
22 few questions on some of the specific items of
23 professional experience that you have here.

24 The -- thank you, Mr. Cantilo.

25 The first item, key leadership to

1 the guaranty system in the Penn Treaty matter,
2 to the extent you can, what did that work
3 involve?

4 A. I was advisor to the guaranty system
5 through NOLHGA, and, in general, this was
6 providing the services to them related to their
7 strategy in the post-liquidation -- contingency
8 planning for liquidation of Penn Treaty and
9 then the liquidation as well.

10 Q. Are you familiar, sir, with the
11 policy options available to policyholders
12 through the various guaranty associations
13 following the liquidation of Penn Treaty?

14 A. I am, yes.

15 Q. How did you come to that knowledge?

16 A. Just through my involvement in
17 advising the guaranty system at that time.

18 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Bodnar, I
19 think you need to sit a little bit closer to
20 the microphone, if you can.

21 BY MR. BROADBENT:

22 Q. Mr. Bodnar, second item here,
23 regulator, education efforts related to LTC
24 premium rate increases and new product
25 innovation.

1 Can you put any more color on what
2 that means?

3 A. Yes. That was various activities
4 both on behalf of the industry and at the
5 request of regulators themselves and other
6 clients I had to meet with commissioners and
7 their staff in various states to describe what,
8 you know, what led to long-term care insurance
9 experience evolving in a way other than what
10 was priced for and why rate premium increases
11 were needed, different approaches to premium
12 rate increases and, you know, this was done not
13 only at meetings, but testifying at public
14 hearings and forums at various regulatory
15 meetings.

16 And also advising the ANIC and some
17 of the commissioners in some of the key
18 committees on new product innovation.

19 Q. The third item, experience analysis
20 of existing box of LTC business, can you
21 elaborate on that, please?

22 A. Yes. This is the review of premium
23 and claims and other experiences of -- or of
24 various long-term care blocks in the industry,
25 usually for the purpose of developing actuarial

1 assumptions for the purpose of either
2 developing premium rate increase filings,
3 preparing new products, pricing new products
4 and also reserve valuations.

5 Q. The fourth item there, reserve
6 reviews and LTC financial projections, just the
7 first part of that statement, what does it mean
8 to reserve reviews -- to do reserve reviews and
9 LTC financial projections?

10 A. These were generally independent
11 reviews of company's reserve balances, all done
12 leveraging what I described in the prior bullet
13 there, usually doing an independent analysis of
14 the company's experience developing actuarial
15 assumptions independently from that experience
16 analysis, and then comparing -- from that
17 developing actuarial projection models and
18 comparing those to what the companies may have
19 provided to gauge the adequacy of reserves held
20 by companies, insurance companies.

21 Q. The second part of that bullet
22 point, proven to be accurate over a ten year
23 plus period of time. To what is that
24 referring?

25 A. The work that I have done either

1 myself or my staff has supported me over the
2 last 20 years, we have developed projections of
3 long-term care insurance blocks and have been
4 able to look at them ten years later or
5 sometimes longer from there, and they have
6 proven to be fairly accurate over that period
7 of time.

8 Q. Mr. Bodnar, the fifth bullet point,
9 nationwide LTC premium rate increase filings,
10 what work have you done with respect to that
11 item?

12 A. Various clients, insurance company
13 clients in the industry that have long-term
14 care insurance blocks, preparation of actual
15 memorandum in support of premium rate increase
16 filings.

17 Q. Mr. Bodnar, turning to your
18 professional history, the second item,
19 Genworth, do you have any experience related to
20 long-term care as a result of your work with
21 Genworth?

22 A. Yes. I was at Genworth twice, in
23 the late 1990s and most recently, years 2017 to
24 2019, the more recent experience at Genworth
25 was Senior Vice President of Product

1 A. Yes, I do.

2 Q. Is the same true as to the rate
3 setting process?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. That would include the approval
6 process for the various states?

7 A. Yes. Yes.

8 Q. I apologize if I didn't hear any
9 testimony on this subject, but do you have
10 experience with respect to the sales or renewal
11 process for policyholders?

12 A. You mean the initial sales?

13 Q. Yes, yes. Focus there, please.

14 A. I'm sorry, what was your question,
15 any experience?

16 Q. Do you have any experience in the
17 sales process for policyholders?

18 A. Yes. Related to my job and also not
19 related to my job, I have, or my various jobs,
20 I have sat in on focus groups in which products
21 and features are presented to potential
22 policyholders. I have also sat in on actual
23 sales and the same can be said of, you know,
24 not only the initial sale, but also
25 consultations and advice being given at the

1 Management. My primary responsibility was the
2 development of new products and also helping
3 the company develop to think through its
4 options that it would present to policyholders
5 at the time of premium rate increases.

6 Q. And the third item there, Long-Term
7 Care Group, can you explain what that is and
8 what work you did there?

9 A. Long-Term Care Group is also known
10 as LTCG. They are the largest third-party
11 administrator of long-term care insurance
12 policies in the industry.

13 I led its actuarial practice there
14 from 2015 to 2017 and I was their chief actuary
15 and we did most of the things that I have
16 described in my professional experience in one
17 aspect or another.

18 So, you know, regulatory education
19 efforts, experience analysis, reserve reviews,
20 rate increase filings.

21 Q. Just to summarize, Mr. Bodnar, I
22 would like to ask about a few specific areas.
23 You have experience, I believe, based on what
24 you testified to, with respect to LTC product
25 development; is that right?

1 time of premium rate increases when various
2 options are presented.

3 Q. In the course of your career,
4 Mr. Bodnar, have you acquired any experience
5 with financially troubled long-term care
6 insurers?

7 A. Yes, I have.

8 Q. Can you describe that experience for
9 me, please?

10 A. I have worked with, in addition to
11 my work here with SHIP, I became involved with
12 the Penn Treaty matter.

13 I also have experience with, I would
14 say, several other carriers that I'm not -- it
15 depends on your definition of "financially
16 troubled," but I worked with several other
17 carriers that are -- that are, I would say,
18 probably their capital levels are a little less
19 than optimal.

20 I'm trying to be as politically
21 correct here as possible.

22 Q. Thank you, Mr. Bodnar. I won't make
23 you say more than that.

24 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I
25 will pause here briefly. I think Mr. Bodnar's

1 testimony will involve areas that would be
2 generally considered expert testimony, and so
3 based on the experience and knowledge of
4 Mr. Bodnar, we would offer him as an expert to
5 the extent he offers such testimony and we
6 would like to do so now subject to any
7 questions from the parties or objections that
8 Your Honor will address.

9 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Leslie,
10 would you like to do a Voir Dire? Mr. Horwich?
11 No.

12 Ms. Glawe?

13 MS. GLAWE: No, Your Honor.

14 JUDGE LEAVITT: Mr. Donley?

15 MR. DONLEY: No, Your Honor.

16 JUDGE LEAVITT: So you are
17 having him qualified as an expert to --

18 MR. BROADBENT: Well, with
19 respect to matters related to long-term care
20 insurance, and I think more specifically the
21 areas of his experience and knowledge to which
22 he testified which will include the product
23 itself and long-term care generally,
24 financially troubled within the definition
25 given by Mr. Bodnar, long-term care insurers,

1 team had done over the prior year or so, it was
2 like two years, understanding, you know, what
3 their findings were, the approaches they used
4 to develop their findings, and I began to look
5 at some of the work they had done for
6 reasonableness and then, you know, from there
7 began to, you know, see if there were some
8 other ways that we could get some comfort
9 around the range of results, possible reserve
10 deficiency that SHIP was holding at the time.

11 Q. Did you do any analysis of the
12 existing assumptions of the company's
13 actuaries?

14 A. Yes, yes. It was -- it was -- we
15 were really looking at the assumptions that
16 Milliman had developed, how they were
17 developed, the granularity with which they were
18 developed, whether they fit historical
19 experience to a level that I would find to be
20 satisfactory and indicative that they had
21 developed the assumptions properly.

22 We reviewed the output from
23 Milliman's models to see if they were
24 projecting in a way that made sense given the
25 assumptions that were being deployed and also

1 product development, sales to policyholders and
2 the rate setting and approval process as well
3 as, to some degree, outcomes in liquidation.

4 JUDGE LEAVITT: Okay. You
5 shall qualify.

6 BY MR. BROADBENT:

7 Q. Thank you, Mr. Bodnar. Were you
8 present here or in one of the overflow rooms
9 when Mr. Lambright was testifying?

10 A. Yes, I was.

11 Q. Do you recall he gave some testimony
12 as to you, Mr. Bodnar, joining the Oliver Wyman
13 team with respect to SHIP.

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Do you recall when that was?

16 A. Yes. Mr. Lambright remembered
17 correctly. I joined Oliver Wyman in March of
18 2019, and I almost immediately became involved
19 with the -- with this SHIP project at the time.
20 It was not in rehabilitation, but the SHIP
21 project.

22 Q. What was the scope of the work that
23 you were doing in that March 2019 time period?

24 A. At that time, I was really getting
25 up to speed with the work that Marc and his

1 made sense given historical experience of the
2 company.

3 Q. Did Oliver Wyman at any time in 2019
4 prepare its own set of assumptions for SHIP?

5 A. Yes, we did. Yes, we did. It was
6 not until later in 2019.

7 Q. You will have to forgive me,
8 Mr. Bodnar, but not being an actuary, I don't
9 know how complex that is. Was it you doing
10 this? Was there a team of folks? How big was
11 that project?

12 A. It was not me by myself, for sure.
13 It was a team of people, just sitting here
14 probably I would guess about a half a dozen
15 people on our team, other actuaries, more
16 junior actuaries collecting data from SHIP. We
17 got very granular seriatim data from the
18 company. We spent a lot of time looking at it,
19 scrubbing it, making sure it made sense, from
20 there developing experienced studies from the
21 raw data, asking questions of people at SHIP
22 and Fuzion about some anomalies we might have
23 seen in some of the data.

24 Again, I think that explains very
25 common for such -- for data to require a lot of

1 explanation in long-term care.

2 And in developing assumptions,
3 making sure that they fit historical experience
4 properly, then building a granular model and
5 looking at the output from that model, again,
6 making sure the output made sense compared to
7 historical experience and getting comfortable
8 with that as well.

9 So that's a pretty involved process.
10 I want to say it took us several months to do
11 that and build that model.

12 Q. Mr. Bodnar, a few times in the
13 testimony over the last day or so we heard the
14 phrase "seriatim" used. Do you have an
15 understanding what that means?

16 A. Seriatim means a policy, a record by
17 record, in this case a policy by policy, you
18 know, set of records. So seriatim data means
19 you are getting data on every individual
20 policy. A seriatim model means you are
21 creating a model that can be loaded with the
22 data points of every single policy and use that
23 in the projection.

24 Q. Did Oliver Wyman prepare any
25 seriatim model in the way you have described?

1 develop the assumptions as a team yourself and
2 build the model yourself, and these are very
3 complex models, very complex studies, you can
4 gain confidence that the model is being -- it
5 was prepared in a way that, you know, is
6 satisfactory to your own standards and
7 approach.

8 Q. In the course of your work with
9 Oliver Wyman in that 2019 time period, did you
10 have any involvement with the corrective action
11 plans that had been prepared by SHIP?

12 A. Can you repeat that first part?

13 Q. Sure. I will ask it more directly.
14 Did you have any role in assessing the
15 corrective action plans offered by SHIP?

16 A. I recall reviewing them, but I
17 wasn't involved. I don't recall being involved
18 in developing them.

19 Q. Mr. Bodnar, are you familiar with
20 the Second Amended Plan of Rehabilitation that
21 the Rehabilitator has offered for the Court's
22 approval?

23 A. Yes, I am.

24 Q. Are you familiar with the prior
25 versions of that plan as well?

1 A. Yes, yes. So our model is seriatim.
2 It has been refined a few times since we first
3 developed it, but, yes, it has always been a
4 seriatim model.

5 Q. When, approximately, would you say
6 that it was first developed?

7 A. We had a first, I would say
8 preliminary version of our model, I want to say
9 it was around November or December, maybe it
10 was November-ish of 2019.

11 Q. Did the company's existing actuaries
12 have a similar model?

13 A. Yes. That had become the industry
14 standard to develop models on a seriatim, we
15 call it a first principals basis, and I would
16 say within the last five years that has become
17 the industry standard.

18 Not every company does that, but in
19 general, that is the approach that is used
20 today.

21 Q. So why did Oliver Wyman prepare its
22 own seriatim model if the company had one from
23 its existing actuaries?

24 A. We did it so that we could be more
25 confident in the model itself. So when you

1 A. Yes, I am. Yes.

2 Q. How did you become familiar with
3 those documents?

4 A. I was on a team of people that was
5 involved with developing and drafting the plan
6 from, I guess, the time it was decided to begin
7 to develop the plan. So I was involved with, I
8 guess, early part of, you know, sketching out
9 its, you know, high level, you know, high level
10 features all the way to, you know, the final
11 draft.

12 Q. And is that true from the first
13 filed plan in April 2020, the amended plan,
14 first amended plan filed in October 2021 and
15 the most recent second amended plan filed in
16 May 2021?

17 A. Yes, that is true.

18 Q. And I stated October 2021, but
19 that's because it was October 21, 2020. I just
20 wanted to clarify that for my question. I
21 apologize.

22 So, again, Mr. Bodnar, you described
23 being part of -- working on developing the plan
24 and -- from inception. Do you recall when that
25 was when you first began working on a plan, a

1 plan that resembles the current plan?

2 A. Sitting here now, I can't remember
3 when it switched -- we switched from a company
4 developing a corrective action plan to the team
5 working on a rehabilitation plan. Just sitting
6 here right now, I cannot recall the exact time
7 that happened.

8 Q. Was it in 2019?

9 A. If it was, it would have been in --
10 it would have been in the later part of 2019.

11 Q. And, again, Mr. Bodnar, when you
12 were working on plan, was it you alone or were
13 you joined by other team members at Oliver
14 Wyman?

15 A. No, it was never me alone. It was
16 always with a team of people from Oliver Wyman.

17 Q. And with whom were you working in
18 developing the plan on behalf of the
19 Pennsylvania Insurance Department?

20 A. The Pennsylvania -- so the whole
21 team was providing input into the plan, it was
22 Mr. Cantilo, myself, Bob Robertson, there was
23 several staff from the Department, Lars
24 Leemaker (phonetic), I would have to go back
25 and look at my notes, but there was a pretty --

1 that claims, people go onto claim, and then
2 when they do, the amount of time that they stay
3 on claim, and what their utilization of their
4 benefits are, so all that will help you
5 determine the size of an expected claim.

6 The other assumptions that are key
7 would be morbidity rate -- I'm sorry, mortality
8 rates, so the rates that people die, and then
9 lapse rates, the rates that people will
10 voluntarily lapse their policy. We also
11 inherently would be modelling exhaustion rates,
12 and to that we would apply all of that to
13 develop future claims. We would also project
14 feature premiums based on the persistency
15 assumptions, lapse in mortality.

16 We would also in these models apply
17 expense assumptions to predict future expenses.
18 So all those assumptions would be applied to
19 the file. The modeling software will then
20 prepare a projection generally on a month by
21 month basis for every individual policy, and
22 then the model, after it's done performing all
23 these calculations, stores them and summarizes
24 them for us to be able to access them at the
25 various points in time.

1 it was a team that comprised probably another
2 four or five people beyond that.

3 Q. Before I move on to the plan,
4 Mr. Bodnar, can you describe in a little more
5 detail what the seriatim model looks like? If
6 I were to put one up and look at it, what would
7 that be?

8 A. What does a seriatim model look
9 like?

10 Q. I guess let's back up and ask what
11 is an actuarial model?

12 A. So an actuarial model has as its
13 components first an input file, which is all of
14 the policyholder records themselves, and it has
15 every policy, the characteristics of that
16 policyholder that you need in order to project
17 the assumptions for that policyholder, so age,
18 gender, you know, issue age, and then
19 characteristics of the policy itself.

20 So the various benefit features, the
21 premium rates that are being charged. So they
22 would be the input. And then that gets -- then
23 applied to that input is an array of
24 assumptions about the future. One would be --
25 one set would be around morbidity, so the rate

1 Q. So does all of that information make
2 its way into the seriatim model you described
3 earlier?

4 A. Yes. Yes, it does.

5 Q. With respect to the plan,
6 Mr. Bodnar, do you have a view as to the
7 philosophy behind the plan?

8 A. I have an understanding of it, and a
9 view. I mean, the understanding of the plan
10 is, or of the goal of the plan is threefold.
11 It's to reduce the funding gap, it is to
12 provide policyholders with meaningful choices
13 and options, and it is also to deploy an
14 equitable premium rate standard to the
15 policyholders.

16 Q. Is it your view that, if approved,
17 the plan would meet those goals?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Do you have an understanding, sir,
20 of the phased structure of the plan?

21 A. Yes, I do.

22 Q. Are you familiar with what we have
23 all been referring to as Phase One?

24 A. Yes, I am.

25 Q. In a high level, what is Phase One?

1 A. Phase One, you know, the objective
2 is to present all the policyholders with
3 options for modifying their policies, using the
4 If Knew Premium rate basis. So the objective
5 is to deploy the If Knew Premium rate basis and
6 present policyholders with four options, really
7 five. You know, the first is Option 1 is to
8 keep your premium rates the same, but modify
9 your benefits so that it's what can be
10 purchased with the If Knew Premium rate.

11 And then on the other end of the
12 spectrum is Option 4, which is retain your
13 benefits and pay the new premium for those
14 benefits.

15 And then there is the basic plan
16 which has two variants and those enhanced
17 reduced benefits.

18 Q. There has been, I think, a lot of
19 testimony about the term If Knew, but I would
20 like to ask you still to provide a little more
21 explanation on that from an actuarial
22 perspective. What is If Knew Premium?

23 A. So If Knew means if you knew today,
24 if you could go back in time, knowing what you
25 know today, so if you knew all this back at the

1 -- 30 years ago and, instead, they have been in
2 the one to two percent range, in some cases
3 even lower.

4 And, you know, claim incident rates,
5 it has been a mixed experience across the
6 industry, sometimes claim incident rates have
7 been higher than what was expected, sometimes
8 they have been lower from block to block.

9 But, certainly, claims are lasting
10 longer than we thought they would back 30 years
11 ago, and that's due to people just living
12 longer than we thought they would, but also
13 just really a change in how care has been
14 delivered in the last 30 years.

15 30 years ago, the predominant
16 setting for receiving care was in a nursing
17 home where people's life expectancy was quite
18 short, and what we have learned is that that
19 has now become not the most popular place for
20 people to receive care. It is now given in
21 assisted living facilities, and also delivered
22 at home. In both of those settings, people
23 just tend to live longer than they did in a
24 nursing home.

25 So all of those things added up have

1 time the policy was originally priced, what
2 assumptions would you develop and what premium
3 rates would you charge such that you would
4 expect a lifetime loss ratio of 60 percent.

5 Q. I think I heard you say if you knew
6 then what you know today, what are the things
7 that you didn't know then that you do know
8 today that go into calculating If Knew Premium?

9 A. Well, the whole experience we
10 observed in generally the last 30 years in the
11 long-term care insurance industry, but
12 specifically on any given block this tends to
13 hold true, one is that interest rates, you
14 know, did not hold out at six to eight percent,
15 which is what most actuaries were assuming in
16 the early to mid 1990s. Instead, they have
17 been much lower than that.

18 The other is that people are living
19 longer than we had assumed back in the early
20 1990s. So back then, we were assuming, you
21 know, mortality rates that were not quite as
22 low as they are today, as they proved out to
23 be. And also lapse rates are much lower than
24 we thought they would be. We did think they
25 would be in the five percent range back in the

1 meant the premium rates had to have -- would
2 have been much different 30 years ago if we had
3 set them with all that knowledge.

4 Q. Sir, are you familiar with the term
5 "claim terminations"?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And can you explain what that is?

8 A. Claim termination -- a claim
9 termination is when somebody comes through on
10 benefit receiving long-term care benefits under
11 their policy, comes off claim, and that can
12 happen because they recover or because they die
13 in the care setting, or because they -- also
14 because they exhaust their benefits.

15 Q. Has the experience on claim
16 terminations changed over time?

17 A. They have in the sense that people
18 are receiving care in different settings, and
19 so that's really -- that has been driving the
20 difference in claim termination rates more than
21 anything else, although it does seem that, even
22 given that, there are certain blocks for claim
23 termination rates are getting lower over time,
24 even within the same setting.

25 Q. Sir, in explaining the If Knew

1 Premium concept, you used the term "lifetime
2 loss ratio." Can you just explain what that is
3 for the record?

4 A. Yes, the lifetime loss ratio is,
5 it's measured from the inception of a policy
6 and it is the present value of expected future
7 benefits divided by the present value of
8 expected future premiums.

9 And so, you know, in general, I
10 think it's 60 percent lifetime loss ratio was
11 generally held as the measure of benefits being
12 reasonable in relation to premiums at this
13 time.

14 Q. Why does it matter whether the
15 benefits are reasonable to the premiums?

16 A. That is a key requirement in setting
17 premium rates, and in a lot of regulations,
18 that's actually spelled out in regulations as a
19 requirement.

20 Q. Mr. Bodnar, do you have an
21 understanding as to whether a -- the question
22 whether a rate is actuarially justified, do you
23 understand what that would mean?

24 A. Yes. It is commonly used in
25 regulatory premium rate filings to mean that

1 the premium rates have been -- they are
2 demonstrated to be actuarially justified or
3 appropriate. And usually it means meeting the
4 standard of benefits are reasonable in relation
5 to premiums.

6 Q. Is an If Knew Premium, in your
7 opinion, actuarially justified?

8 A. Yes. In today's, in the current
9 regulatory view, I would say that that is
10 universally held as a -- I would even call it a
11 menial task, it's a -- and I say that because
12 there is no effort to recoup past losses, and
13 so if you can -- if you can demonstrate that an
14 If Knew Premium rate at least meets the
15 lifetime loss ratio requirement, then you are
16 at least demonstrating that you are not
17 recouping past losses, and that seems to be a
18 minimum threshold, although many regulators are
19 open to and will approve rates that exceed that
20 requirement.

21 So you can -- they do allow you to
22 recoup some past losses, and some of the more
23 modern proposals, current proposals by
24 regulators will allow some recoupment of pass
25 losses.

1 Q. What does it mean to recoup past
2 losses?

3 A. So it means to, since the rate is
4 the one you would theoretically charge from
5 issue, but you haven't until the rate is
6 implemented, it means that you haven't been
7 collecting that premium for all the past years.

8 And so there is no attempt to go
9 back and claw back some of those premiums over
10 the last ten, 20, or 30 years on the
11 policyholders.

12 Q. When examining the premium rate to
13 be set for a specific policy and determining
14 whether it's actuarially justified, do you
15 consider what part of that premium would be
16 used to pay benefits?

17 A. Yes, yes.

18 Q. How do you do that?

19 A. So we do that by, through an
20 actuarial projection of future premiums and
21 future claims. And so, I mean, that's the
22 measure of the loss ratio is the future claims
23 divided by the future premiums.

24 You can also look backwards in an
25 actuarial projection. It's like a historical

1 summary of experience through the date of the
2 premium rate increase request, and that's
3 present value. So it's accumulated with
4 interest, both the premiums and the claims, and
5 it's also projected looking forward.

6 So that's in the context of a
7 traditional premium rate increase filing.

8 Q. I guess if we can pause there, I
9 believe you testified that you have some
10 experience with rate increase filings; is that
11 correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Can you just describe in the
14 ordinary course of a company doing business
15 what the rate increase filing would require
16 from an actuarial perspective?

17 A. Yes. It requires assembling all of
18 the general historical premium and claims data
19 of a, you know, whatever block of business you
20 are requesting a premium rate increase for.
21 And it requires a, you know, all the things
22 that need to go into developing an actuarial
23 model, so looking at the company's experience,
24 developing assumptions around morbidity and
25 persistency, everything I described that goes

1 into an actuarial model and then projecting
2 that forward and predicting that on, the
3 premiums and the claims, on a calendar year
4 basis and putting those all together in an
5 actuarial memorandum demonstrating that the
6 result of the premium rate increase produces
7 lifetime loss ratios that don't exceed or don't
8 go below minimum requirements.

9 It also, you know, requires some
10 description of, in general, you know, what led
11 to the -- what, sometimes, you know, what led
12 to the premium rate increase, and description
13 of the actuarial assumptions and, you know,
14 again, what was the methodology used to develop
15 the premium rates, if there was any.

16 Q. Does the application process make
17 reference to or involve industry data outside
18 of the company's specific data to which you
19 testified?

20 A. It could. I have certainly seen a
21 fair number of them just rely on intercompany
22 studies, claim cost studies, but more and more
23 they are not. As companies have developed
24 their own very credible sets of data
25 themselves, I am seeing less and less of it

1 But, in general, if it meets that standard,
2 again, just I think, in today's environment, a
3 lot of regulators will view that as actuarially
4 justified.

5 Q. If you're seeking a rate increase
6 in, let's say, ten states, how many
7 applications do you need to prepare?

8 A. Ten, at least. Usually ten.

9 Q. And would each one of those
10 applications involve the processes you were
11 describing earlier with respect to the
12 historical and the claim data, et cetera?

13 A. Yes, they would. In general, you
14 would do all that work and based on the
15 regulatory requirements of the ten different
16 states, each filing document might look a
17 little different because every state has, you
18 know, not all the states require all the same
19 things, and you can anticipate some questions
20 that they might ask, given experience in any of
21 the states, so you could have ten documents
22 that are worded differently and present
23 slightly different information to satisfy the
24 requirements of the ten different regulators.

25 But in general they will look about

1 being based on industry data and more being
2 based on their own data.

3 Q. Did you testify, sir, that If Knew
4 Premium was -- I think you said something like
5 widely accepted? Can you clarify what you
6 meant by whatever phrase you used --

7 A. Often regulators will ask, they will
8 ask questions, although these won't necessarily
9 be presented in an actuarial memorandum. The
10 regulators often ask, you know, what would the
11 loss ratio look like if the premium rates that
12 you are proposing be charged had been charged
13 from the beginning.

14 So that really is, in a way, getting
15 back If Knew Premium rate test. It's not
16 necessarily what they would approve; it's often
17 a benchmark or a data point that regulators
18 will use.

19 Q. In your experience, have regulators
20 denied rate increases that otherwise satisfy
21 the 60 percent loss ratio requirement?

22 A. So if you mean the If Knew
23 requirement?

24 Q. Yes.

25 A. Yes. I have seen that, for sure.

1 the same and a lot of cases all the work is the
2 same. So you would develop one model and you
3 would derive output from it that would be
4 needed for each of the ten states. But, in
5 general, it's the same information.

6 Q. In your experience, let me ask it
7 differently, do you have a sense of how long on
8 average it took from the time of submitting the
9 application to receiving an approval or denial
10 from the various states?

11 A. It really varies. Some states are
12 fairly quick. You might get an approval within
13 90 days. Others can take years.

14 Q. So, in other words, can you clarify
15 what you mean by "years"?

16 A. Yeah. There is at least one state
17 that, I think, the industry would consider it,
18 you know, positive if you received an approval
19 within two years.

20 Q. Now, in the plan, I believe
21 Mr. Cantilo testified the rates were calculated
22 on a seriatim basis.

23 Do you recall that?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. How does that compare to what

1 ordinarily happens in the rate application
2 process?

3 A. So in a more traditional, you know,
4 application process, the company is requesting,
5 although their models might be developed on a
6 seriatim basis, they are requesting a premium
7 rate increase that might only be an aggregate
8 either for that specific state or even
9 nationwide. So just one average premium rate
10 increase.

11 It's becoming more common to be a
12 little more, I would say, I guess more, you
13 know, fine-tuned than that. I do see premium
14 rate increases varying by certain benefit
15 features, like do you have an inflation option
16 or not, do you have unlimited benefits or not.
17 But in general, it's some broader class of
18 policies that will get one average premium rate
19 increase.

20 In the case of a plan, every
21 individual policyholder is going to receive a
22 -- is going to have a premium rate increase
23 calculated based on his or her individual
24 policyholder characteristics, so the specific
25 features of the policy and the policyholder's

1 rate than younger people with more rich
2 benefits.

3 And so just applying or just
4 applying an aggregate rate increase, it doesn't
5 solve that. It just perpetuates it.

6 Q. You may have just done this, sir,
7 but you used the term "subsidies." Can you
8 just define that term as you use it?

9 A. Yeah. I think in this context, it's
10 just the fact that some policies are paying,
11 you know, if there is an actuarially
12 appropriate premium rate for -- on a seriatim
13 basis, then there are at any time quite a few
14 people paying a lot more than that and then
15 there's quite a few people that are paying a
16 lot less than that, so just the fact that there
17 are subsidies going on.

18 Q. In the ordinary course, if a company
19 submits rate applications to a number of
20 states, is it unusual to receive differing
21 responses from those states as to whether the
22 rates are approved or disapproved?

23 A. Yes. It is quite common, and often
24 not very well explained. So you can apply --
25 you can prepare all of the same materials

1 characteristics. So their individual claim
2 experience themselves won't be considered, but,
3 you know, all the various variants that make up
4 a given assumption, risk factor or risk class
5 will be considered.

6 And so whatever that policy's
7 specific combination of characteristics, you
8 know, creates, whatever assumptions that
9 derives -- or drives from that unique
10 combination will determine that policy rate
11 increase or premium rate.

12 Q. In the ordinary course, in your
13 experience, if a state approves an aggregate
14 rate increase, what impact will that have on
15 the policyholders who may be already paying If
16 Knew Premium?

17 A. Well, so if -- at any -- it will
18 just increase the amounts of subsidies that are
19 occurring if there are any. Generally there
20 aren't in today's blocks levels of subsidy
21 going on.

22 Even within a state, we tend to see
23 that policies issued to older people with less
24 rich benefits tend to be paying more, you know,
25 than I would say relative to an If Knew Premium

1 provided to, you know, all the states and, you
2 know, you will get a mixed reaction.

3 Every state has its own -- it
4 changes quite frequently, too, even within a
5 state. Every state has its own approach to
6 reviewing the rates. They, you know, they have
7 different requirements, their own internal
8 rules, statutory rules for what they will
9 approve and not approve, and the measuring
10 sticks they have for determining what is
11 actuarially justified.

12 Q. So what impact on the policyholders
13 does that varying response for the rate from
14 the regulators have?

15 A. It means that, depending on what
16 state your policy was issued in, you can
17 receive a different premium rate. You could be
18 paying a vastly different premium rate if you
19 live in one state compared to another, not live
20 in, but where the policy was issued.

21 Q. Just to clarify that last point, if
22 a policy was issued in state A and you now
23 reside in state B, in the ordinary course, who
24 determines the rate that would apply?

25 A. State A, the issuing state.

1 Q. Which guaranty association rules
2 would apply to that policyholder in the event
3 of a liquidation?

4 A. It's generally the resident state.

5 MR. BROADBENT: Your Honor, I
6 note the time is 3:57 and I am about to ask
7 Mr. Bodnar to turn to the options under the
8 plan, which I am happy to do and continue on
9 for some time, but I wanted to know whether you
10 would rather us pause here or get started and
11 see how long we can discuss the options for.

12 JUDGE LEAVITT: I think this
13 is a good time to break.

14 MR. BROADBENT: That's fine
15 with me, Your Honor, and I suspect perhaps some
16 others as well.

17 JUDGE LEAVITT: We can go off
18 the record.

19 (Discussion held off the
20 record.)

21 JUDGE LEAVITT: We will resume
22 tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m.

23 (At 3:58 p.m., the proceedings
24 were adjourned.)
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1 CERTIFICATE

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3 I hereby certify that the proceedings
4 and evidence are contained fully and accurately
5 in the stenographic notes taken by me on the
6 hearing of the within cause, and that this is a
7 correct transcript of the same.
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Date: 11/22/21

Virtual Meeting

(in lieu of meeting at the 2021 Fall National Meeting)

RECEIVERSHIP AND INSOLVENCY (E) TASK FORCE

Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2021

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. ET / 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CT / 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. MT / 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. PT

ROLL CALL

Cassie Brown, Chair	Texas	Anita G. Fox	Michigan
James J. Donelon, Vice Chair	Louisiana	Chlora Lindley-Myers	Missouri
Peni Itula Sapini Teo	American Samoa	Troy Downing	Montana
Evan G. Daniels	Arizona	Eric Dunning	Nebraska
Michael Conway	Colorado	Marlene Caride	New Jersey
Andrew N. Mais	Connecticut	Russell Toal	New Mexico
David Altmaier	Florida	Mike Causey	North Carolina
Colin M. Hayashida	Hawaii	Edward M. Deleon	Northern Mariana Islands
		Guerrero	
Dana Popish Severinghaus	Illinois	Glen Mulready	Oklahoma
Doug Ommen	Iowa	Jessica K. Altman	Pennsylvania
Vicki Schmidt	Kansas	Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer	Rhode Island
Sharon P. Clark	Kentucky	Raymond G. Farmer	South Carolina
Eric A. Cioppa	Maine	Johnathan T. Pike	Utah
Gary D. Anderson	Massachusetts		

NAIC Support Staff: Jane Koenigsman

AGENDA

1. Consider Adoption of its Oct. 21 Minutes—*Brian Riewe (TX)* Attachment One
2. Consider Adoption of a Referral to the Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation (F) Committee—*Brian Riewe (TX)* Attachment Two
3. Consider Adoption of a Memorandum to States on Receivership and Guaranty Fund Laws—*Brian Riewe (TX)* Attachment Three
4. Consider Adoption of the Reports of its Working Group and Subgroup
 - A. Receivership Financial Analysis (E) Working Group—*Toma Wilkerson (FL)*
 - B. Receiver's Handbook (E) Subgroup—*Kevin Baldwin (IL)* Attachment Four
5. Hear Update on Federal Activities—*Patrick Celestine (NAIC)*
6. Discuss Any Other Matters Brought Before the Task Force—*Brian Riewe (TX)*
7. Adjournment

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Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force
Virtual Meeting
October 21, 2021

The Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force met Oct. 21, 2021. The following Task Force members participated: Cassie Brown, Chair, represented by Brian Riewe (TX); James J. Donelon, Vice Chair (LA); Peni Itula Sapini Teo represented by Elizabeth Perri (AS); Michael Conway and Rolf Kaumann (CO); Andrew N. Mais represented by Jared Kosky (CT); David Altmaier represented by Toma Wilkerson (FL); Colin M. Hayashida represented by Patrick P. Lo (HI); Doug Ommen represented by Kim Cross (IA); Dana Popish Severinghaus represented by Kevin Baldwin (IL); Vicki Schmidt represented by Tish Becker (KS); Sharon P. Clark represented by Bill Clark (KY); Gary D. Anderson represented by Christopher Joyce (MA); Eric A. Cioppa represented by Robert Wake (ME); Anita G. Fox represented by Randall Gregg (MI); Chlora Lindley-Myers and Shelley Forrest (MO); Mike Causey represented by Jackie Obusek (NC); Eric Dunning and Justin Schrader (NE); Russell Toal represented by Victoria Baca (NM); Glen Mulready represented by Donna Wilson (OK); Jessica K. Altman represented by Laura Lyon Slaymaker (PA); Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer represented by Matt Gendron (RI); Raymond G. Farmer represented by Michael Shull (SC); and Johnathan T. Pike (UT).

1. Adopted its Summer National Meeting Minutes

Mr. Riewe said the Task Force met July 27 in lieu of the Summer National Meeting. Ms. Wilkerson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Baldwin, to adopt the Task Force's July 27 minutes (see *NAIC Proceedings – Summer 2021, Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force*). The motion passed unanimously.

2. Exposed a Draft Referral to the Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation (F) Committee

Mr. Riewe said the Executive (EX) Committee and Plenary adopted the receivership revisions to the *Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act* (#440) and the *Insurance Holding Company System Model Regulation with Reporting Forms and Instructions* (#450) at the Summer National Meeting. As the Task Force and its working group were responsible for drafting these model revisions, the Task Force will need to send a referral recommending the Part A Standard that should be considered by the Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation (F) Committee. Part A standards are those laws and regulations that are required to ensure a state has authority to regulate financial solvency of insurers.

Mr. Riewe said the Task Force sought the input of members to draft an initial recommendation. With one exception, the feedback received was in favor of recommending that the revisions be acceptable, but not required to be adopted by states, rather than identifying substantially similar provisions that would be required. Since there were other revisions to these models for group capital and liquidity stress testing, states are hopefully considering all the model revisions together on their merits and the benefits to receiverships regardless of accreditation requirements. Mr. Wake said while he would like to see more substantive accreditation standards for receivership and insolvency, it is an excellent referral.

Hearing no objections, the draft referral was released for a 30-day public comment period ending Nov. 22.

3. Exposed a Draft Memorandum to State Insurance Departments

Mr. Riewe said when the Task Force adopted the final recommendations from the Macroprudential Initiative (MPI), it had identified several provisions of receivership law that were considered important to a multi-jurisdictional receivership. These are provisions for which all states should consider reviewing their laws and potentially making updates. This included conflicts of law, continuation of coverage, priority of distribution, full faith, and credit on stays and injunctions. In addition to those, the NAIC has adopted the receivership revisions to Model #440 and Model #450 and adopted the new *Guideline for Administration of Large Deductible Policies in Receivership* (#1980) and *Guideline for Definition of Reciprocal State in Receivership* (#1985). Lastly, while 34 states have adopted those 2017 revisions to the *Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Model Act* (#520), the memorandum reminds state insurance departments to consider adoption. The draft memorandum is intended to encourage states to consider a review of their laws and adopt updates. The memorandum is concise and may be used as a starting point for discussion with each state insurance department's legal or legislative liaison staff. Any volunteers willing to speak at zone meetings could use this memorandum as talking points for those discussions.

Hearing no objections, the draft memorandum was released for a 30-day public comment period ending Nov. 22.

4. Heard an Update on International Resolution Activities

Mr. Wake said the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) Resolution Working Group adopted the *Application Paper on Resolution Powers and Planning*. The Working Group began work on an application paper on policyholder protection schemes. Mr. Wake said the U.S. is undergoing a targeted jurisdictional assessment regarding the holistic framework, which includes an assessment of resolution and crisis management.

Having no further business, the Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force adjourned.



Date: November 30, 2021

To: Superintendent Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer (RI), Chair of Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation (F) Committee

From: Commissioner Cassie Brown (TX), Chair of Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force

Re: 2021 Amendments to the *Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act* (#440) and *Insurance Holding Company System Model Regulation with Reporting Forms and Instructions* (#450)

On August 17, 2021, the NAIC Executive (EX) Committee and Plenary unanimously adopted revisions to the NAIC *Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act* (#440) and *Insurance Holding Company System Model Regulation with Reporting Forms and Instructions* (#450). The revisions help ensure efficient coordination with affiliates and to enforce the continuation of essential services by an affiliate to an insurer in the event of insolvency.

These revisions were drafted by the Receivership Law (E) Working Group under charges assigned by the Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force. These revisions, referred to as the “receivership revisions” do not include recent revisions to Models #440 and #450 for group capital calculation or liquidity stress test. The receivership revisions address the continuation of essential services through affiliated intercompany agreements with an insurer that is placed into receivership by: 1) bringing affiliate service providers deemed “integral” or “essential” to an insurer’s operations under the jurisdiction of a rehabilitator, conservator, or liquidator for purposes of interpreting, enforcing, and overseeing the affiliate’s obligations under the service agreement and give the commissioner authority to require that “integral” or “essential” affiliate service providers consent to such jurisdiction; 2) further clarifying the ownership of data and records of the insurer that are held by the affiliate; and 3) clarifying that premiums of the insurer held by the affiliate are the property of the insurer and rights of offset are determined by receivership law. See attachment A for a copy of the amendments.

The recommendation for Part A Accreditation Standards is that these receivership revisions be considered acceptable, but not required to be adopted by states. However, the revisions are considered important and all states are encouraged to adopt them. States may consider adoption of the changes in conjunction with opening their holding company laws to consider adoption of the Group Capital Calculation and Liquidity Stress Test revisions.

The Task Force will continue to encourage states to adopt these revisions based on the benefits these revisions add to state regulation, and to the goal of improving efficiencies in receivership and reducing costs to a receivership estate.



Date: November 30, 2021

To: State Insurance Departments

From: Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force

Re: Recently Adopted Model Amendments and Guidelines; and Provisions of Receivership Laws Critical to a Multi-Jurisdiction Receivership

In 2020, the Task Force concluded its Macroprudential Initiative (MPI) to evaluate receivership and guaranty fund laws. Through this process the Task Force highlighted several topics that it identified as being critical for states laws with respect to a multi-jurisdictional receivership and which may require a state's attention.

The Task Force encourages state insurance departments to review their receivership and guaranty fund laws to ensure it addresses the following topics.

Insurer Receivership Model Act (#555, "IRMA")

- Conflicts of Law (IRMA §102) was added as a new section in IRMA and it states that receivership and guaranty fund laws govern together; however, receivership law prevails when there is a conflict between the guaranty fund law or the provisions of any other law. The benefit of having this provision is that it prevents potential legal delays in the administration of a receivership.
- Continuation of Coverage (IRMA §502) provides that all insurance policies, excluding life, disability, long term care, health, or annuities, are cancelled at a specified time unless the Liquidator, with the consent of the receivership court, extends the period. This provision was re-written and improved in IRMA.

The Task Force conducted a survey in 2019 that showed that states' laws differ with respect to IRMA §502 from having provisions substantially similar to IRMA §502B, or to a prior version of Model #555, or a state has no continuation of coverage provision, or no exclusions for life and health lines of business. This provision has been the subject of litigation in receivership. For these reasons, states are encouraged to review their law against IRMA and consider amendments.

- Priority of Distribution (IRMA §801) of estate assets is a provision that was rewritten in IRMA. It outlines the priority scheme for payment of claims, which places policyholder claims above that of unsecured creditors or shareholders. The benefit of having this provision is that it furthers state insurance department goals to protect policyholders in the administration of a receivership.

Reciprocal State; Full Faith and Credit on Stays and Injunctions

An effective stay provision promotes judicial economy and predictability, which benefits all participants in the receivership process. However, the significant improvements in IRMA regarding stays have not been widely

adopted. Further background on the topic is available in the 2017 Financial Condition (E) Committee memorandum posted to the NAIC website.¹ States are encouraged to review their receivership laws, and consider the following:

- 1) States with no stay provisions, or provisions based on older NAIC models, should compare their laws to the more recent NAIC Models, and evaluate the benefits of a more comprehensive stay. (IRMA §108)
- 2) States with no reciprocity provisions, or provisions based on older NAIC models, should consider adopting a provision similar to IRLMA § 5 (C) (2) or IRMA § 1002 (A). In the alternative, a state could update its definition of a “reciprocal state.” In 2021, the NAIC adopted the *Guideline for Definition of Reciprocal State in Receivership Laws* (GDL#1985) that defines reciprocal state as any state that has enacted a law setting forth a scheme for receivership.²

Ancillary Conservation of Foreign Insurers (IRMA §1001) provides for ancillary conservation of an insurer writing in the state but domiciled in another state, in limited circumstances. Ancillary conservation is relevant to insurers conducting business in multiple jurisdictions, should be coordinated with the domiciliary state, and may require consideration of whether the involved states are reciprocal.

2021 Revisions to the Insurance Holding Company System Model Act and Regulation (#440 & #450)

In 2021, the NAIC adopted receivership revisions to the NAIC *Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act* (#440) and *Insurance Holding Company System Model Regulation with Reporting Forms and Instructions* (#450). The revisions address the continuation of essential services through affiliated agreements with an insurer that is placed into receivership by bringing affiliate service providers deemed “integral” or “essential” to an insurer’s operations under the jurisdiction of the receiver; clarify the ownership of data and records and premiums of the insurer that are held by the affiliate; and, outline provisions that should be included in affiliated management services and cost sharing agreements in the event the insurer is placed into receivership.

The Task Force encourages state insurance departments to consider these Model amendments based on the benefits these revisions add to state regulation, and to the goal of improving efficiencies in receivership and reducing costs to a receivership estate.

Treatment of Workers Compensation Large Deductible Policies

In 2021, the NAIC adopted the *Guideline for Administration of Large Deductible Policies in Receivership* (GDL#1980) to address the treatment of large deductible policies in receivership. The Guideline makes significant improvements over IRMA §712 Administration of Loss Reimbursement Policies, and the National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds (NCIGF) Model Large Deductible Legislation, Administration of Large Deductible Policies and Insured Large Deductible Collateral. The Guideline provides that the guaranty associations, on behalf of the claimants, are entitled to any deductible reimbursements from the policyholder and the right to draw on the collateral. While some states already have existing laws on this topic, states that do not or that wish to update their existing laws, are encouraged to consider Guideline #1980.³

2017 Revisions to the Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Model Act (#520)

The 2017 amendments to Model #520 aimed to address issues arising in connection with guaranty fund coverage in insolvencies of insurers writing long-term care insurance. While states have made good progress adopting these amendments with 34 states adopting to date, remaining states are encouraged to consider adoption. Further guidance is available in the Task Force’s 2018 memorandum, which is posted to the NAIC website.⁴

¹ https://content.naic.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/cmte_e_receivership_related_170717_committee_recommendation.pdf

² <https://content.naic.org/sites/default/files/GL1985.pdf>

³ <https://content.naic.org/sites/default/files/GL1980.pdf>

⁴ https://content.naic.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/committees_e_receivership_related_rev_memo_520.pdf

For further resources or information about these Model Laws and Guidelines, states may contact NAIC staff, jkoenigsman@naic.org.

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Receiver's Handbook (E) Subgroup
Virtual Meeting
November 18, 2021

The Receiver's Handbook (E) Subgroup of the Receivership and Insolvency (E) Task Force met Nov. 18, 2021. The following Subgroup members participated: Kevin Baldwin, Chair (IL); Toma Wilkerson, Vice Chair (FL); Joe Holloway (CA); Jared Kosky (CT); James Gerber (MI); Leatrice Geckler (NM); Donna Wilson and Jamin Dawes (OK); Laura Lyon Slaymaker and Crystal McDonald (PA); and Brian Riewe (TX).

1. Adopted its June 14 Minutes.

The Subgroup met June 14 and took the following action: 1) adopted its May 26 minutes; 2) discussed the drafting group process; and 3) demonstrated the SharePoint Collaboration website to the drafting groups. Mr. Baldwin noted that the minutes from the June meeting were in the meeting materials.

Mr. Geckler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wilson, to adopt the Subgroup's June 14 minutes (Attachment Four-A). The motion passed unanimously.

2. Exposed Revised Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 of the Receiver's Handbook

Mr. Baldwin thanked the volunteers who had participated in the drafting groups for Chapters 1 and Chapter 2 of the *Receiver's Handbook for Insurance Company Insolvencies* (Receiver's Handbook). Chapter 1 had extensive revisions and was presented in the meeting materials as a clean copy. To view the original Receiver's Handbook, the current Receiver's Handbook version is posted on the Subgroup's website under the documents tab. Chapter 2 was presented in the materials as a markup version of the original Receiver's Handbook chapter. The Subgroup considered public exposure of revised Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 for a 30-day period with all comments to be sent to Sherry Flippo (NAIC).

Mr. Holloway made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wilkerson, to expose Chapters 1 and Chapter 2 of the Receiver's Handbook for a 30-day public comment period ending Dec. 20. The motion passed unanimously.

Having no further business, the Receiver's Handbook (E) Subgroup adjourned.