N.J.A.C. 11:1-33-et seq.

SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE: PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE

To: All Surplus Lines Insurance Producers

From: Surplus Lines Examining Office

Date: May 2, 2005

RE: Newly Amended Regulations, effective April 4, 2005

On April 4, 2005 the Department of Banking and Insurance (DOBI) adopted amendments to the regulations governing surplus lines policy forms and surplus lines policy procurement procedures. The purpose of this notice is to provide you a copy of the current regulations and to highlight the changes which the amendments reflect:

- 1. Surplus lines policy forms are not subject to the filling or approval requirements of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance.
- 2. The originating producer, at the time of quotation, must provide a disclosure to the applicant, and retain a signed copy. The disclosure advises the applicant that the policy may contain conditions, limitations, exclusions and different terms than a policy issued by an admitted insurer.
- 3. The Certification of Effort (To Place Risk With Authorized Insurer) has been reworded. The Certificate can be obtained from the DOBI Website, or per the endorsed copy of the regulations.
- 4. The "wording" required to be stamped on all surplus lines policies, has been superseded by a new "statement". The statement can also be found on the DOBI website, as well as per the enclosed copy of the regulations.

Please read and review the enclosed regulations. If you have any questions, you can contact the Surplus Lines Examining Office at (609) 292-5350, Ext. 50088 or 50106.