# TEXAS AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PLAN ASSOCIATION

SECOND REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD

JANUARY 1, 1995 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1995

**AND** 

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

AUSTIN, TEXAS

MARCH 21, 1996

### SECOND REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 1995 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1995

### TEXAS AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PLAN ASSOCIATION

Austin, Texas March 21, 1996

The Second Annual Meeting of the members of the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association was held in the Doubletree Guest Suites in Austin, Texas, beginning at 9:00 A.M., Thursday, March 21, 1996.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Flynn who asked the Association Manager if a quorum was present. Once confirmed, the Chairperson requested that the Anti-Trust Statement be read. The Association Manager read the statement.

The Association Manager was asked to report on the selection of the trade association representatives, as prescribed in Section 14.B. of the Plan of Operation. The trade association representatives selected were: American Insurance Association-ITT Hartford, National Association of Independent Insurers-Allstate Insurance Company, Alliance of American Insurers-Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, Association of Fire and Casualty Companies in Texas-Trinity Universal Insurance Company. The Non-Affiliated insurers ballot, as prescribed in Section 14.B.2, resulted in the election of State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company.

The Chairperson asked for the report of the Nominating Committee for the At Large representatives, in keeping with Section 14.B.3. Those representatives nominated were: United Services Automobile Association, Farmers Insurance Group of Companies and Southern Farm Bureau Casualty Insurance Company. Mr. Eugene Flynn made a motion to elect the nominated representatives; the motion was seconded, and voted upon. The companies nominated were elected.

Governing Committee representation for the designated companies is as follows:

American Insurance Association Ms. Judy Miklaw, San Antonio, Texas ITT Hartford

٠ 1

National Association of Independent Insurers Mr. Jon Smanz, Northbrook, Illinois Allstate Insurance Company

Alliance of American Insurers Mr. Michael Mott, Irving, Texas Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

Association of Fire and Casualty Companies in Texas Ms. Jill House, Dallas, Texas Trinity Universal Insurance Company

Non Affiliated Companies

Mr. Terry Mack, Bloomington, Illinois State Farm Insurance Companies

#### At Large Members

Mr. Jack Crisci, San Antonio, Texas United Services Automobile Association

Mr. John Hageman, Austin, Texas Farmers Insurance Group of Companies

Mr. Mike Gerik, Waco, Texas Southern Farm Bureau Casualty Company

The Chairperson then inquired if there was any new or unfinished business to be laid before the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Following the adjournment, the Governing Committee convened and elected Mr. Terry Mack as Chair, Mr. Jack Crisci as Vice Chair, Mr. Enrique Valdivia as Second Vice Chair and Mr. Mike Gerik as Secretary.

### **Annual Meeting Attendees:**

Gene Flynn, ITT Hartford Terry Mack, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company Carol Berthold, Government Employees Insurance Company Jill House, Trinity Universal Insurance Company Pete Hamel, Hamel Insurance Agency Tom Assad, Automobile Insurance Plans Service Office John Hageman, Farmers Insurance Group of Companies Vem Jorgenson, Farmers Insurance Group of Companies Richard Geiger, Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons Mike Gerik, Southern Farm Bureau Casualty Insurance Company James Langford, Southern Farm Bureau Casualty Insurance Company Bill Brooks, Southern Farm Bureau Casualty Insurance Company John D. Windham, Southern Farm Bureau Casualty Insurance Company Bonnie Loss, Safeco Insurance Dianna Bush, Allstate Insurance Company Jim Mallett, Public Member Enrique Valdivia, Public Member Philip Dawson, Prudential Helen Morris, Travelers Insurance Jack Crisci, United Services Automobile Association John Pennington, Colonial Penn Insurance Company Judy Miklaw, ITT Hartford Michael Mott, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company Jon Smanz, Allstate Insurance Company John Lusardi, Eagle Insurance Susan Slivinske, Insurance Information Institute Rick Gentry, Insurance Information Institute Bobby W. White, TAIPA Manager Margaret Alsobrook, TAIPA Operations Manager Manlyn Kinsey, TAIPA Administrative-Plan Services Manager Dianna Brooks, TAIPA Secretary

#### Douglas Eastwood, TAIPA Accountant

The following member companies were represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting:

**Aetna Insurance Company** 

Alaska Pacific Assurance Company

Allegiance Insurance Company

All America Insurance Company

American Agricultural Insurance Company

American Continental Insurance Company

American Contractors Insurance Company RRG

American Economy Insurance Company

American & Foreign Insurance Company

American Reliable Insurance Company

American States Insurance Company

American States Insurance Company of Texas

American States Lloyds Insurance Company

American States Preferred Insurance Company

Amerisure Insurance Company

Amica Mutual Insurance Company

Argonaut Insurance Company

**Association Casualty Insurance Company** 

Assurance Company of America

Athena Assurance Company

**AVEMCO Insurance Company** 

**Balboa Insurance Company** 

**Bankers Multiple Line Insurance Company** 

Bankers Standard Fire and Marine Company

**Bankers Standard Insurance Company** 

**Bituminous Casualty Corporation** 

The Camden Fire Insurance Association

Carolina Casualty Insurance Company

Casualty Reciprocal Exchange

**Central Mutual Insurance Company** 

Central States Indemnity Co. of Omaha

**Century Indemnity Company** 

Charter Indemnity Company

Chilton Insurance Company

Chubb Indemnity Insurance Company

**Chubb Lloyds Insurance Company of Texas** 

Church Mutual Insurance Company

**CIGNA Fire Underwriters Insurance Company** 

**CIGNA** insurance Company

**CIGNA Insurance Company of Texas** 

CIGNA Property & Casualty Insurance Company

CIGNA Reinsurance Company

Cincinnati Casualty Company

Cincinnati Insurance Company

Clarendon National Insurance Company

Commercial Union Insurance Company

Connecticut Genral Fire and Casualty Insurance Company

**Constitution Reinsurance Corporation** 

**Continental Western Insurance Company** 

**Coregis Insurance Company** 

**Economy Fire & Casualty Company** 

**Economy Preferred Insurance Company** 

**Economy Premier Assurance Company** 

**Electric Insurance Company** 

**Employers Insurance Company of Wausau** 

**Evergreen National Indemnity Company** 

**Fairmont Insurance Company** 

Farmers Alliance Mutual Insurance Company

Farmers Insurance Exchange

Federal Insurance Company

Federated Mutual Insurance Company

Federated Rural Electric Insurance Corporation

Federated Service Insurance Company

Fidelity & Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc.

Financial Indemnity Company

First General Insurance Company

Foremost Group

Frankona Reinsurance Company-US Branch

GHS Property & Casualty

**General Accident Insurance** 

General Accident Insurance Company of America

Germania Fire & Casualty Company

Germania Insurance Company

Globe Indemnity Company

**Great Divide Insurance Company** 

Great Northern Insurance Company

Hochheim Prairie Casualty Insurance Company

Hochheim Prairie Insurance Company

Horace Mann Insurance Company

**INA Group** 

Insurance Company of North America

J. C. Penney Casualty Insurance Company

Landmanrk American Insurance Company

Lincoln National Health & Casualty Insurance Company

Linsco Reinsurance Company

The London Assurance of America, Inc.

**Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Company** 

Lumbermen's Underwriting Alliance

Markel Insurance Company

Maryland Casualty Company

Maryland Insurance Company

Meritplan Insurance Company

Metropolitan Casualty Insurance Company

Metropolitan General Insurance Company

Metropolitan Group Property and Casualty Insurance Company

Metropolitan Property and Casualty Insurance Company

Michigan Mutual Insurance Company

Mid-Century Insurance Company of Texas

Middlesex Insurance Company

Millers Mutual Insurance Association

NAU Group

National Standard Insurance Company

**Newark Insurance Company** 

Northern Insurance Company of New York

Northland Casualty Company

Northland Insurance Company

Northwestern Pacific Indemnity Company

Old Republic Insuance Company

**Old United Casualty Company** 

The Omaha Indemnity Company

**Omaha Property and Casualty Insurance Company** 

Pacific Employers Insurance Company

Pacific Indemnity Company

Peak Property & Casualty Company

Pennsylvania General Insurance Company

Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association Insurance Company

Phoenix Assurance Company of New York

Potomac Insurance Company of Illinois

Preferred Risk Mutual Insurance Company

Providian Fire Insurance Company

Providian Property and Casualty Insurance Company

**RLI Insurance Company** 

The Reinsurance Corporation of New York

Reliance Insurance Company

Reliance Lloyds

Reliance National indemnity Company

Reliance Surety Company

Royal Indemnity Company

Royal Insurance Company of America

Royal Special Risks Insurance Company

**SN Insurance Company** 

Safeguard Insurance Company

St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company

St. Paul Insurance Company

St. Paul Lloyds

St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company

The Sea Insurance Company of America

Seaboard Surety Company

Sentry Insurance a Mutual Company

Sirius Reinsurance Corporation

Sun Insurance Office of America, Inc.

**Sydney Reinsurance Corporation** 

TIG Countrywide Insurance Company

**TIG Indemnity Company** 

**TIG Insurance Company** 

TIG Insurance Company of Michigan

TIG Insurance Company of Texas

TIG Insurance Corporation of America

TIG Premier Insurance Company

Teachers Insurance Company

Texas Pacific Indemnity Company

Truck Insurance Exchange

**Underwriters Indemnity Company** 

Union Standard Insurance Company

**US Lloyds Insurance Company** 

Unisun Insurance Company
United Americas Insurance Company
United Pacific Insurance Company
United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company
Universal Underwriters Insurance Company
Valiant Insurance Company
Vigilant Insurance Company

#### ASSOCIATION MANAGER'S REPORT

The Texas Automobile Insurance Plan processed 716,036 applications during 1994. During 1995, the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association processed 461,059 applications, which represents a thirty-six percent (36%) reduction.

During this same time period, the staff was reduced forty-one (41%), from sixty-one (61) full time employees in 1994 to forty-one (41) in 1995.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the TAIPA staff. On behalf of myself and the staff, I would like to thank the Governing Committee members for their support.

#### CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

#### PCP/ESP:

Effective May 1, 1995, all producers submitting applications to TAIPA were required to be certified by the Association. Several bulletins were sent to producers to introduce them to the provisions of the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association's Producer Certification Program (PCP) and the Electronic Submission Procedure (ESP). Effective June 1, 1995, producers certified with TAIPA were offered the privilege of utilizing the ESP to effect coverage for losses on the day and time of the ESP call, and allowed to issue a Binder Form to the insured immediately.

Producer Complaint Procedures were established and included in the TAIPA Plan of Operation. Procedures for the determination of members of the Producer Review Panel were also approved by amendment to the Plan of Operation.

Through December 31, 1995, a total of 8,095 producers had been certified with the Association. Certification of these producers provides for better qualified producers serving the general public.

#### **Credit Programs for Insurers:**

By TAIPA bulletin, insurers were notified that effective in January 1996 they would be eligible to receive credits against their TAIPA quota by writing voluntary business in designated "underserved" ZIP code areas. Commissioner Elton Bomer designated the four classes of underserved ZIP codes and their credit values.

In May, the Governing Committee approved a Take-Out Program after being addressed by Commissioner Bomer. In June, the TAIPA Plan of Operation was amended by the adoption of a new Section 17 providing for a mandatory and a voluntary Take-Out Plan. TAIPA informed member companies that these provisions would become effective on 12-1-95 for policies expiring on and after that date. The prescribed form, which companies must use to make the mandatory offer, was produced in English/Spanish versions by TAIPA.

#### **Educational Seminars:**

On March 15, 1995, TAIPA held a company seminar with seventy-five in attendance. The seminar covered background information on TAIPA, rules for processing of applications, quota information and an explanation of the impact the new Producer Certification and Electronic Submission Programs would have on the companies.

On March 31, 1995 and April 21, 1995, a Producers Procedure Course was presented for producers certified with TAIPA. All Group 2.2 producers were required to take the course; it was optional for others. The Texas Association of Insurance Agents produced these courses via satellite at twenty-six (26) community colleges throughout the state. Producers earned three hours of Continuing Education credits for attending. A total of 1,687 producers attended the course.

#### **TAIPA Rates:**

On June 1, 1995, TAIPA received a Private Passenger Rate Increase. The increase approved by Commissioner Bomer produced TAIPA rates that were 61% above the private passenger benchmark rates. Other than Private Passenger rates were kept at the Commercial Auto benchmark rate level.

Hearings on rates for the residual auto insurance market began once again on October 31, 1995 at the State Office of Administrative Hearings. During the three days of testimony, TAIPA presented evidence in support of its recommended 46.5% overall statewide increase for Private Passenger insurance rates.

As in the past, TAIPA recommended that the adjustments to commercial assigned risk rates parallel any adjustment the Commissioner makes to voluntary commercial auto benchmark rates.

The Administrative Law Judges who heard the case will review the evidence and issue a proposal for decision for consideration by Commissioner Bomer. He may then accept the proposal, modify it, or send the case back to the judges for further evidence.

It is anticipated at this time that the rates changes will become effective on August 1, 1996, or possibly July 1.

## Amendments to TAIPA Plan of Operation- Sections 5, 6,11,12,13,14,16, and Adoption of New Section 17:

Members of the Operations Subcommittee worked in conjunction with the TAIPA Governing Committee to finalize and submit amendments for the TAIPA Plan of Operation. The following amendments were filed with the Commissioner of Insurance in 1995 and approved:

June 7, 1995: Amendments to the following sections were approved by Commissioner Borner:

Section 6 <u>Application for Assignment, Designation of Insurer, Effective Date of Coverage and Evidence of Insurance</u>

Section 11 Producer Certification Program

July 26, 1995: Amendments to the following sections were approved by

Commissioner Bomer:

Section 3.A.3. Eligibility

Section 7 Assignment Period

Section 12.B.6 Performance Standards for Producers

Section 13.B.3 Performance Standards for Insurers

Section 16.K.4. Determination and Fulfillment of Quotas

Section 17\_Take-Out Plans

September 7,1995: Amendment to the following section was approved by Commissioner Borner:

Section 5 Premium Deposit Requirements and Payment Options

September 20, 1995: Amendments to the following sections were filed with Commissioner Borner:

Section 13.B.2. Performance Standards for Insurers

Section 17 Take-Out Plans

December 12, 1995: Amendments to the following sections were filed with Commissioner Borner:

Section 14.A.2. Administration

Section 6.B.2. <u>Application for Assignment, Designation of Insurer, Effective Date of Coverage and Evidence of Insurance.</u>

#### **TAIPA Operation:**

While a reduction in the new application volume signals insurance availability elsewhere—certainly a positive result, its impacts created management challenges within the TAIPA office. The office downsized eight positions and terminated all temporary employee positions during the year. In spite of the reduction in staff, we were able to offer job enrichment and career advancement to employees showing capability. We started up the PCP and ESP units and fulfilled our commitment to further develop our supervisory and management staff.

#### **Preparations for 1996**

We enter 1996 optimistic for more adequacy in rates, greater efficiency in operation and better service to our member companies and the general public. We should see rates approved effective in the summer and continued refinement of the Plan of Operation. Staff will continue to monitor and act on expense control and for building capability to offer more services to producers. The Producer Review Panel will begin its work and the Operations Subcommittee will no doubt maintain a full plate throughout the year.

My personal thanks go to Bobby White for his fine management of the TAIPA office and to his "right hands"—Margaret Alsobrook and Marilyn Kinsey. All three and the rest of their management team traveled well on the roller coaster during 1995. It takes real skill to manage a downsizing, implement new programs and manage an ongoing operation as well as they have. Dick Geiger and Mike Miller have also been instrumental in educating all of us on their disciplines and for providing clear, practical guidance and advice.

Thanks also go to the Operations Subcommittee for their intensive efforts supporting PCP, ESP and the rest of the operational and Plan of Operation issues that they tackled last year. This group has proven itself to be quite adept at working out difficult issues and providing good insights and recommendations to the Governing Committee. Speaking of which, the Governing Committee also deserves special mention in supporting the variety of issues that we managed in 1995. As a group, we handled policy, strategic and operational issues at least as well as any governing committee in prior years.

Finally, special thanks go to Commissioner Bomer, Birny Birnbaum, Becky Jackson-Birnbaum, Janet Dewey and representatives from other (non-governing committee) member companies who brought different perspectives to our discussions and helped to create the well rounded products that we developed and introduced in 1995.

Eugene E. Flynn, CPCU Chair

# TEXAS AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PLAN ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

Changes in unrestricted net assets:	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Revenues		
Members assessments	\$3,409,535	\$2,991,877
Binders	129,402	
Registration fees	43,490	-
Interest Income	37,980	23,896
Assessment penalties	11,225	1,716
Other income	<u>5,787</u>	141
	<u></u>	
Total Revenues	<u>3,637,419</u>	<u>3,017,630</u>
Expenses		
Salaries	1,353,546	1,428,641
Postage and telephone	323,449	403,008
Legal	229,944	312,819
Computer and programming expense	81,454	59,638
Actuarial and consulting	176,859	165,291
Employee benefits:	,	,
Pension plan	56,730	52,242
401A benefit plan	26,469	19,857
Dues and subscriptions	1,711	26,471
Educational seminars	6,008	65,509
Governing committee	102,279	154,589
Insurance	15,074	12,309
Insurance, group	117,382	96,892
Auditing	5,300	5,100
Office supplies and expense	49,236	
Rent		58,813
Service Contracts	161,476	161,687
Payroll taxes	8,281	5,867
Property taxes	97,819	89,179
Travel and entertainment	7,214	3,305
	10,552	14,256
Other	89,275	5,922
Binders	107,802	*******
Seminars	<u>117,400</u>	
Total expenses before		
depreciation and amortization	3,145,260	3,141,395
Depreciation and amortization	114,988	85,763
Total expenses	3,260,248	3,227,158
Change in net assets	377,171	(209,528)
Net Assets, beginning of period	<u>599,847</u>	<u>809,375</u>
Net assets, end of period	977,018	599,847
	======	======

# TEXAS AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PLAN ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Cash flows from operating activities Increase (decrease) in net assets Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities	\$377,171	\$(209,528)
Depreciation (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable (Increase) decrease in deferred income (Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	114,988 (7,836) (261,756) 15,201 <u>43,692</u>	85,763 1,116,008 262,051 (4,898) (1,105,258)
Net cash provided by operating activities	281,460	144,138
Cash flows from investing activities Purchase of fixed assets	<u>(59,923)</u>	(329,335)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(59,923</u> )	(329,335)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	221,537	(185,197)
Cash at beginning of period	<u>265,444</u>	<u>450,641</u>
Cash at end of period	\$ 486,981 ======	\$ 265,444 ======