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CIRCULAR LETTER

TO : ALL NON-LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT : OFF-SITE EXAMINATION ON THE UNDERWRITING AND RATING PRACTICES OF NON-LIFE COMPANIES

WHEREAS, the Corona Disease 2019 (COVID-19) has spread in different parts of the world, including the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has recently characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, the IATF approved the Omnibus Guidelines on the implementation of the Community Quarantine in the Philippines and the zoning concept and corresponding qualification and its phased response for intervention;

WHEREAS, Section 253 of the Amended Insurance Code provides:

“The Commissioner shall at least once a year and whenever he considers the public interest so demands, cause an **examination to be made into the affairs, financial condition and method of doing business of every insurance company** authorized to transact business in the Philippines and of any other person, firm or corporation managing the affairs and/or property of such insurance company. Such company, as well as such managing person, firm or corporation, shall submit to the examiner all such books, papers and securities as he may require and such examiner shall also have the power to examine the officers of such company under oath touching its business and financial condition, and the authority to transact business in the Philippines of any such company shall be suspended by the Commissioner if such examination is refused and such company shall not thereafter be allowed to transact further business in the Philippines until it has fully complied with the provisions of this section xxx”;