## BEFORE THE DIVISION OF INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND REGULATION STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF GALLAGHER BASSETT SERVICES, INC.

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CONSENT ORDER

In resolution of the above matter and in lieu of issuance of a Notice of Hearing and a formal hearing, the undersigned parties do hereby agree to the following:

GALLAGHER BASSETT SERVICES, INC. (GALLAGHER), whose address of record is 6300 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village, OH 44143, is a third-party administrator (TPA) company holding a TPA Registration in the State of South Dakota;

GALLAGHER is aware that the South Dakota Division of Insurance (Division) has conducted an investigation of its insurance-related activities in South Dakota;

The Division has alleged the following:

- 1) GALLAGHER failed to notify the Division of an administrative action taken in New York, a violation of SDCL § 58-29D-28;
- GALLAGHER executed a Consent Order with the Director of the Division on August 22, 2011, and due to the above has violated this Consent Order in violation of SDCL § 58-29D-31(4);
- 3) GALLAGHER has been the subject of at least 10 previous Division investigations;
- The South Dakota Division of Insurance alleges that the above-cited conduct may be grounds for the revocation or suspension of GALLAGHER's TPA Registration pursuant to SDCL § 58-29D-31(4);

GALLAGHER is aware of and understands the nature of the charges and has been informed that it has the right to notice, hearing, and appeal, and that by agreeing to and signing this Consent Order waives these rights;

In return for GALLAGHER agreeing to the provisions of this Consent Order, the Division agrees not to proceed to hearing and agrees that this Consent Order will constitute an informal disposition of this licensing matter pursuant to SDCL § 1-26-20;

GALLAGHER agrees to a monetary penalty in the amount of \$1,000 pursuant to SDCL §§ 58-29D-33 and 58-4-28.1, in lieu of contesting this matter formally; and

GALLAGHER further agrees to conduct itself in accordance with the insurance laws and regulations of the State of South Dakota;

Wherefore, good cause appearing from the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED that GALLAGHER pay a monetary penalty in the amount of \$1,000 payable to "South Dakota Division of Insurance" for deposit in the general fund of the State of South Dakota; and it is further

ORDERED that should GALLAGHER fail to comply with the provisions of this Order, the Division may seek the suspension or revocation of GALLAGHER's Certificate of Authority at hearing pursuant to SDCL § 58-6-46, or seek other remedies available at law; and it is further

ORDERED that the use of this Consent Order for competitive purposes by an insurance agent or thirdparty administrator holding a license in the State of South Dakota, or by any company holding a Certificate of Authority, or by anyone on their bchalf, may be deemed unfair competition and be grounds for suspension or revocation of said license or authority; and it is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Consent Order shall be effective from the date the Director signs this Order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota this 15th day of August, 2012.

Merle Scheiber, Director South Dakota Division of Insurance

The undersigned, on behalf of GALLAGHER, represents it understands the terms of this Consent Order and the waiver of its due process rights and voluntarily enter into this Consent Order.

Dated this 7<sup>m</sup> day of Angust, 2012.

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Signature of Authorized Representative

Gregory J. McKonna Printed Name Counsel - Gallugher Bussen Title Services Inc.