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

IN THE MATTER OF GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC.	)	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:

GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC., whose address of record is 22 Carlisle Drive, Old Brookville, NY 11545, holds a business entity license in the State of South Dakota;

GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. is aware that the South Dakota Division of Insurance ("Division") has conducted an investigation;

The Division alleges the following with regard to GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC.:

- 1) GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. failed to timely report a February 2013 Michigan administrative action to the Division in violation of SDCL § 58-30-193;
- 2) GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATOS, INC. failed to respond to Division inquiries regarding the above dated September 11, 2013, October 15, 2013, and November 15, 2013 in violation of SDCL §§ 58-33-66 and 58-33-68;
- 3) Pursuant to SDCL §§ 58-30-167(2) and (8), 58-33-66, and 58-33-68, the Director of the Division may revoke or suspend GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC.'s business entity license for the above-cited reasons;

GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. is aware of and understands the nature of the allegations and has been informed of the right to a Notice of Hearing, counsel, and appeal and that by agreeing to sign this Consent Order, waives these rights;

In return for GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. agreeing to and complying with the provisions of this Consent Order, the Division agrees not to proceed to administrative hearing and agrees that this Consent Order will constitute an informal disposition of this licensing matter pursuant to SDCL § 1-26-20;

GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. agrees to pay \$1,000 pursuant to SDCL §§ 58-4-28.1 and 58-30-167 in lieu of an administrative hearing and Final Decision;

GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. further agrees to conduct itself in accordance with the insurance laws and regulations of the State of South Dakota;

GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. further agrees that this Consent Order may be considered for the purpose of determining the appropriate sanction in any future actions with the Division for any violations of the laws or regulations of the State of South Dakota or for failing to abide by any order of the Director;

Wherefore, good cause appearing from the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED that GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. 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 GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC. abide by the agreements made by it in this Consent Order; 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 behalf, 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 May of June, 2014.

Merle Scheiber, Director

South Dakota Division of Insurance

The undersigned, on behalf of GROUP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC., represents it understands the terms of this Consent Order and the waiver of its due process rights and voluntarily enters into this Consent Order.

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day of

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Signature of Authorized Representative

Name of Authorized Representative

Title of Authorized Representative