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

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSAMERICA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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:

TRANSAMERICA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY ("TRANSAMERICA"), whose address of record is 4333 Edgewood Road NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52499-0001, is an insurance company holding a certificate of authority to transact business in the State of South Dakota;

TRANSAMERICA 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) TRANSAMERICA failed to timely process clean claims in violation of SDCL § 58-12-20 and ARSD 20:06:21:105 and 20:06:21:106;
2) TRANSAMERICA failed to pay interest on refunds in violation of ARSD 20:06:21:107;
3) TRANSAMERICA failed to respond to Division inquiries dated March 28, 2018 and April 12, 2018 within 20 days in violation of SDCL § 58-33-66(1);
4) TRANSAMERICA has been the subject of previous Division actions for claims handling and failing to timely respond to Division inquiries;
5) Any of the above-cited conduct may be grounds for the revocation or suspension of TRANSAMERICA's certificate of authority pursuant to SDCL § 58-6-46;

TRANSAMERICA 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 TRANSAMERICA 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;

TRANSAMERICA agrees to a monetary penalty in the amount of $10,000 pursuant to SDCL § 58-4-28.1, in lieu of contesting this matter formally; and

TRANSAMERICA further agrees to conduct itself in accordance with the insurance laws and regulations of the State of South Dakota;
TRANSAMERICA 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 TRANSAMERICA pay a monetary penalty in the amount of $10,000 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 TRANSAMERICA fail to comply with the provisions of this Order, the Division may seek the suspension or revocation of TRANSAMERICA’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 third-party 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 1st day of October, 2018.

Larry Deiter, Director
South Dakota Division of Insurance

The undersigned, on behalf of TRANSAMERICA, 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 10th day of September, 2018.

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Title