

TOM GALLAGHER CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER STATE OF FLORIDA

December 15, 2004

Re: Receivership of American Superior Insurance Company (American Superior)

NOTICE OF LIQUIDATION

Dear Agent:

As you are probably aware by now, American Superior Insurance Company sustained heavy losses as a result of Hurricanes Charley, Frances, Ivan and Jeanne. As a result of these losses, American Superior was ordered liquidated on Wednesday, December 15, 2004. The Florida Insurance Guaranty Association (which by law is established to help policyholders of insolvent companies) has stepped in to pay the claims of American Superior subject to a \$100 deductible and a \$300,000 limitation per claim. You can check on a pending claim by calling 1-866-928-4312.

Pursuant to the terms of the Liquidation Order and Section 631.252, Florida Statutes, all insurance coverage with American Superior Insurance Company is cancelled effective January 14, 2005 at 11:59 PM, unless cancelled at an earlier date. Policies with a normal expiration date, or those polices that are cancelled for non-payment of premium prior to 11:59 PM on January 14, 2005, shall stand cancelled as of the earlier time and date.

In order to assist American Superior policyholders, the Department of Financial Services has arranged with North Pointe Casualty Insurance Company (North Pointe) to provide an offer of replacement insurance coverage. North Pointe is an authorized insurer in Florida, and has an A.M. Best rating which meets the requirements of most mortgage lenders. North Pointe has agreed to provide a limited appointment to all American Superior agents in connection with their program to provide replacement coverage. Each of the American Superior policyholders will receive a letter providing details of the offer from North Pointe. Those American Superior policyholders with damaged property will need to complete repairs before new coverage with North Pointe can become effective. In light of the hardship caused by the recent storms, North Pointe will offer payment options to those consumers who may not be in a position to pay North Pointe's premiums in full at this time. To take advantage of the offer from North Pointe, policyholders will need to timely respond to the offer and make a premium payment as indicated in the offer.

In order to avoid any lapse in insurance coverage, the Receiver urges you to work with your clients to take advantage of the North Pointe offer or otherwise seek replacement coverage as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please call 1-800-690-8115.

This letter constitutes the written notice of liquidation as required by Section 631.341, Florida Statutes. As an American Superior agent, you have additional legal obligations. Details of your obligations, a copy of the Liquidation Order, a copy of Section 631.341, Florida Statutes, and additional information regarding the American Superior Receivership may be found in the "Companies in Receivership" section of the Receiver's website at www.floridainsurancereceiver.org.

Thank you.

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