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10 11 12 13 14 15 16	STATE OF NEVADA, EX REL.  COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE, IN HER  OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS STATUTORY  RECEIVER FOR DELINQUENT DOMESTIC  INSURER,  Plaintiff,  vs.  PROAIR Risk Retention Group, Inc.,  Defendant	Case No. A-14-7-705863  Dept. No. IV						
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20	COME NOW, Amy L. Parks, Acting Commissioner of Insurance (the "Commission							
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ner") ntion Group, Inc., ("PROAIR" or the "Company"), and Regulatory Services Group ("RSG"), Receivership Manager of PROAIR, and file this Fifth Status Report in the above-captioned receivership.

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#### I. INTRODUCTION AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

PROAIR was an association captive insurance company operating as a risk retention group under the authority of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 694C and was incorporated and organized under the Nevada Insurance laws and the Liability Risk Retention Act of 1986. PROAIR is domiciled in the state of Nevada and received it's Certificate of Authority on July 25, 2008. As an association risk retention group, the subscribers of PROAIR operated through an Attorney-In-Fact, T. Edwards, LLC, a Nevada domestic limited liability company, to enable the exchange of contracts of insurance among themselves. PROAIR's program provided liability insurance to its subscribers – pilots and pilot groups specializing in the Air Tractor industry.

PROAIR's June 30, 2014 financial statement, pursuant to NRS 680A.270, reported total assets of \$511,233 and total liabilities of \$511,902 resulting in negative working capital of -\$669. As such, PROAIR was unable to meet its requirements to maintain \$500,000 in minimum capital and surplus in accordance with NRS 694C.250(1). As of December 15, 2014 the PROAIR bank account balance was \$7,087 and the Company had a \$500,000 Letter of Credit held at Wells Fargo Bank. As a result of PROAIR's insolvency, with no apparent plan or resources to recapitalize the Company, on July 10, 2014 at a special meeting of the Board of Directors it was resolved by unanimous vote that in accordance with the bylaws and subscribers agreement of the Company that the Company's captive manager was authorized to petition the State of Nevada Division of Insurance to place the Company into voluntary receivership pursuant to NRS 696B. Further, the formal consent to liquidation by PROAIR's properly seated board of directors also serves as grounds for liquidation pursuant to NRS 696B.220(6).

On November 14, 2014, an Order Appointing the Nevada Insurance Commissioner as Permanent Receiver of PROAIR. (the "Permanent Receivership Order") was entered by the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada for Clark County (the "Court").

On November 6, 2014, Commissioner Scott J. Kipper as Permanent Receiver of PROAIR retained David E. Wilson and Regulatory Services Group ("RSG") as Receivership Manager. The Receivership Manager was authorized to retain the services of Scott Pearce of RSG as his Receivership Supervisor. As provided for by the Permanent Receivership and Liquidation Order, the Receiver and Receivership manager are authorized to conduct the business of PROAIR and to administer its affairs for the protection of all secured creditors, insureds, policyholders, and general creditors.

The Permanent Receivership Order appointed the Commissioner as Permanent Receiver pursuant to NRS 696B.220 for the purpose of liquidating the business of insolvent PROAIR and granted other permanent relief

#### II. RECEIVERSHIP ADMINISTRATION

# A. Notices of Receivership and Notification of Interested Parties

The Receivership Manager continues to provide information of the receivership proceeding to known interested parties or claimants of the receivership. The Claims Bar Date was 7/31/2015 and most inquiries involve filed claims. The Receiver published legal notice of the permanent receivership proceeding in the Wall Street Journal as PROAIR wrote insurance in several different areas of the country. The national publication was completed as part of the proof of claims ("POC") process. Additionally, the Regulatory Services Group website is periodically updated with any material developments and information as well as links to view and obtain copies of the permanent receivership order and any subsequent pleadings filed in the PROAIR receivership.

#### **B.** The Claims Process

On February 3, 2015 the Receivership Manager mailed Proof of Claim ("POC") packets to all known potential creditors of PROAIR with a Claims Bar Date of July 31, 2015. As of the bar date seven (7) Class (b) policyholder claims (NRS 696B.420) were received; however, one policyholder returned a notice indicating two additional potential unresolved claims. Late filing approval notice was given to those two potential claimants, and they timely filed prior to

the extended Bar Date of November 16, 2015 A total liability of \$1,482,484.41 has been claimed in the initial policyholder class of returned claims. Final policyholder liability will be determined after completion of the Receivership Manager's evaluation of all properly submitted claims through the Proof of Claim process. (See Exhibit "A" for listing of all filed claims as required by NRS 696B.330(6)). (Do note that Fields and Van Dalen claims are combined as we have not been provided a segregation of damages.).

Fifteen additional claims were timely filed, but they all appear to be in priority levels below the policyholder level Class (b) claims, and these claims will not be evaluated until the policyholder class claims are determined (see NRS 696B.330(4)) and it is determined that there are sufficient cash assets available to pay in the class. Depending on circumstances, we do believe that certain POCs dealing with attorney fees may have to be elevated from Class (g) to Class (b).

# C. Completion of Proof of Claim Process

The Receivership Manager has made contact with all policyholder level claims timely submitted. The Receivership Manager continues to attempt to reach an agreed resolution with each of the claimants after developing all the necessary information for evaluating their claims. These are liability claims, generally devoid of significant coverage issues, but certainly subject to ranges of alleged damages. It will be prudent and efficient for the Receivership Manager to achieve agreed resolutions rather than engaging in a contentious process to resolve these matters. If the Receivership Manager is unable to satisfactorily resolve the remaining POCs, the Receivership Manager will comply with the claims review process articulated in NRS 696B.330(7).

Depending on the status of the remaining policyholder class claims at the time of the next status filing, the Receivership Manager may ask the Court for establishment of a final filing date to "liquidate" claims consistent with the requirements of NRS 696B.450 (1)(a).

#### D. Reinsurance

Of the known policy-related POCs received, none are likely to have incurred losses that would exceed PROAIR's retention threshold under the applicable reinsurance treaty. Under the 2013 treaty, approved claims are recoverable from London reinsurers in the amount of \$650,000 in excess of a \$350,000 retention per each loss. In addition, PROAIR owes reinsurers the 4Q13 premium deposit (reflected in the Class (g) section of Exhibit "A").

#### E. Records and Assets Control

The Receivership Manager has control of PROAIR's known books and records, both tangible and electronic. The majority of PROAIR's records are maintained in electronic form, and were held by its captive manager Risk Services, LLC or by the Company's Attorney–In-Fact, Trevor Edwards of T. Edwards, LLC. Although many of PROAIRs records were being held by different parties in various states, the process of collecting all of PROAIR's documents and information is essentially complete and the Receivership Manager has compiled what appears to be a comprehensive collection of the risk retention group's known books and records.

In addition to records control, the Receivership Manager has control over PROAIR's bank account at Wells Fargo Bank. The Receivership Manager has not located and is not aware of any other material assets beyond the current Wells Fargo Bank account balance belonging to PROAIR with the potential exception of the reinsurance program that may serve to pay a portion of any approved policy related claims. The Receivership Manager will seek recovery of the reinsurance upon determination of the policy related claims where such claims exceed the treaty retention level. Actual reinsurance collections will be determined as policy claims are determined through the POC process and any resulting cessions are prepared and submitted through the broker to the reinsurers.

## F. Financial Analysis

As of November 30, 2015 PROAIR's Wells Fargo Bank account had a balance of \$405,290. The Receivership Manager also holds a \$50,000 retainer. Through November 30,

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2015 the Receivership Manager has incurred \$85,533 in administration expenses, including incurred but unpaid expenses. Considering the current cash assets less \$35,859 in incurred but unpaid administrative expenses PROAIR has as of November 30, 2015 total current cash assets of approximately \$419,431 (including retainer). At November 30, 2015 PROAIR estimates well in excess of \$1,482,400 in both policy related claims and enterprise/vendor expense liabilities.

The Receivership Manager had a receipt and disbursement review performed by a third party vendor for all amounts received and paid by the receivership estate from the date of the liquidation to December 31, 2014. The review was performed to determine whether the receipts and disbursements of the receivership estate were properly supported and accounted for. The review identified one finding related to the timing of payment of certain invoices. While acting in the capacity of Receivership Manager RSG must submit incurred expenses for both regulatory and judicial approval prior to payment. The delay in paying the incurred but unpaid invoices is due to the time necessary to gain the necessary approvals. The report concluded that all invoices and expenses were properly supported and accounted for. The finding related to the timing of payment is not deemed to be material.

As reported above after determining the ultimate claim and creditor obligations of the risk retention group and any associated recovery of reinsurance assets for claims that may pierce the retention level of the applicable treaty, the Receivership Manager will seek court approval to distribute PROAIR's remaining assets in accordance with NRS 696B.420.

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1	III. CONCLUSION								
2	In compliance with NRS 696B.290(7), the Receivership Manager submits the								
3	aforementioned report and respectfully requests that this Court approve this status report and								
4	the actions of the Receiver and Receivership Manager.								
5	DATED this 30 <sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015.								
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7	Respectfully submitted:								
8	Amy L. Parks, Acting Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Nevada, in her Official Capacity as								
9	Statutory Receiver of Delinquent Domestic Insurers								
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11	By: <u>/s/ Scott Pearce</u> Scott Pearce								
12	Regulatory Services Group  Receivership Supervisor								
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14	Respectfully submitted by:								
15	ADAM PAUL LAXALT								
16	Attorney General								
17	By: <u>/s/ Joanna N. Grigoriev</u> Joanna N. Grigoriev								
18	Senior Deputy Attorney General								
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I am an employee of the State of Nevada, Office of the Attorney General and that on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015 I served the foregoing FIFTH STATUS REPORT addressed as follows:

Constance Akridge, Esq. Holland & Hart, LLP 9555 Hillwood Drive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Las Vegas, NV 89134

/s/ Marilyn Millam

An employee of the Office of the Attorney General

# **EXHIBIT A**

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# **PROAIR FILED POC STATUS**

POC No.	Claimant Name	Clain	ned Amount	Approval Amount	Priority	Status
400052	Gallatin Grown, LLC	\$	107,231.18	\$40,000.00	ď	Resolved
	Benny White Flying Service	\$	101,706.83	\$0.00	b	PAIR Claim-Not PROAIR
	Countryside Aviation, LLC		\$0.00	\$0.00	b	No claim*
	Headwaters Flying Service	\$	25,000.00		b	To Prove-up
	O'Brien Flying Service	\$	212,573.70		b	In context of Crest claim
	Rusty's Flying Service	\$	35,972.70	\$35,972.70	b	Resolved
	STEIER AG AVIATION, INC.	\$	-		b	PAIR Claim-Not PROAIR
	Fields & Van Dalen	\$	1,000,000.00	•	b	Damages Unsubstantiated
400167	TOTAL	\$	1,482,484.41		b	
.00073	Nevada Division of Insurance	\$	826.21		е	Exam Fees
	Illinois State Treasurer	\$	44		е	Zero \$ claim presented
		¢	11,965.14		g	Management Fees
	Risk Services, LLC	\$	•			Reinsurance-Premium
	LLOYD'S UNDERWRITER SYND NO. 2010MMX	\$ \$	26,137.50		g	Reinsurance-Premium
	ATRIUM AVIATION CONSORTIUM, NO. 9563	\$	8,712.50		g	Reinsurance-Premium
	XL RE EUROPE LIMITED	\$	26,137.50		g	Reinsurance-Premium
	HANNOVER RUCKVERSICHERUNG AKTIEN	\$	6,648.75		g	
	S SCOFIELD GERARD POHORELSKY GALLAUGHER & LANDRY	\$	64,329.00		g	Attorney Fees
400044	MORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP-ROBERT H. MYERS JR	\$	29,533.17		g	Attorney Fees
400045	Stockwell, Sievert, Viccellio, Clements, & Shaddock, LLP	\$	4,120.50		g	Attorney Fees-Class b?
400165	Crowley Fleck	\$	10,000.00		g	Attorney Fees
400164	Fred Begy	\$	-		g	Attorney Fees
400116	5 Hartley Flying Service, Inc.	\$	4,713.25		k	Equity Claim
	) Blackstone Aerial Spraying	\$	2,100.00		k	PAIR claim-not PROAIR
	3 Trevor Edwards & Jim Hirsch	\$	725,000.00		k	Equity Claim
400133		\$	2,402,707.93			

<sup>\*</sup>Countryside filed based on potential claim (Direct Action State). We had to send claim form with new bar date to potential claimant.