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Dear Sir/Madam

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

We are writing to inform you that it is proposed that at **23:59 GMT** on **30 November 2022** each of AGF Insurance Limited (**AGF**) and Catalina London Limited (**CLL**) (the **Transferors**) will transfer the entirety of the general insurance and reinsurance business (the **Transferring Business**) it has written and/or assumed to Catalina Worthing Insurance Limited (**CWIL**) (the **Proposed Transfer**).

This letter is being sent to you because we believe that you represent, might represent or might have represented a client in respect of known current, pending or threatened claims, claims settled or closed in or other proceedings against a policyholder of the Transferors or CWIL in relation to an insurance policy, or associated arrangements, forming part of the Transferring Business or the business of CWIL.

Accordingly, this letter contains important information about the Proposed Transfer. In particular, you or claimants represented by you are entitled to make representations to the High Court of England and Wales (the Court) if you consider that you or your clients are adversely affected by the Proposed Transfer and this letter contains information on how to do so.

Background

AGF is a UK-authorised insurer, which has been in run-off since 1998. Prior to that date, it predominantly had underwritten employers' liability and public liability insurance in the United Kingdom. AGF was formerly known as the Employers' Mutual Insurance Association Limited, N.E.M. Insurance Company Limited and NEM Insurance Company Limited. AGF also acquired the business of the National Employers Mutual in 1989.

CLL is a UK-authorised insurer, which has been in run-off since 2005. CLL was formerly known as American Re-Insurance Company (UK) Limited, Aetna Re-Insurance Company (UK) Limited, The Imperial Fire & Marine Re-Insurance Company Limited and Alea London Limited. CLL also acquired the insurance and reinsurance business of KX Reinsurance Company Limited and OX Reinsurance Company Limited on 30 November 2017.

CWIL is a UK-authorised insurer, which has been in run-off since 2012. CWIL was formerly known as Hartford Financial Products International Limited and in 2015 acquired the business of Excess Insurance Company Limited, a portfolio originally written by London & Edinburgh Insurance Company from Aviva Insurance UK Limited and the business written by the London branch of Hartford Fire Insurance Company.

The Transferors and CWIL are each wholly owned subsidiaries of Catalina Holdings UK Limited (**CHUK**) and each is in run-off. CHUK is itself an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Catalina Holdings Bermuda Limited (**CHBL**). The group headed by CHBL (the **Catalina Group**) is an acquirer of legacy insurance portfolios. The Catalina Group was established in 2007 and as at 31 December 2021 held assets of \$6.66bn, \$1.4bn of shareholder funds and gross liabilities of over \$5.25bn under management.

The purpose of the Proposed Transfer is to consolidate and simplify the Catalina Group's UK regulated insurance businesses into one insurance company in order to increase operational efficiency, reduce duplication and facilitate

the efficient deployment of capital across the Catalina Group's UK operations. This is intended to support both: (i) the management of the run-off of the existing portfolios of the Transferors and CWIL; and (ii) the acquisition and integration of additional portfolios going forwards.

Information about the Proposed Transfer

The Proposed Transfer must be carried out in accordance with the UK Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. This requires us to obtain approval from the Court.

The Court hearing is due to take place on **18 November 2022** at the **High Court of Justice, 7 Rolls Building, Fetter Lane, London, EC4A 1NL, United Kingdom.** Subject to Court approval, it is expected that the Transferring Business will automatically transfer to CWIL at **23:59 GMT** on **30 November 2022**. Any change to the date of the Court hearing or the date of the Proposed Transfer will be announced on our website <u>www.catalinaworthing.co.uk/</u> <u>PartVII.html</u>.

If the Proposed Transfer is approved by the Court then there will be no change to the terms and conditions of any transferring policy or any policy of CWIL. The Transferors' respective rights and obligations under policies comprised in the Proposed Transfer will be transferred, without alteration, to CWIL. Any rights or obligations a person may have under such policies will remain unchanged, but following the Proposed Transfer will be exercisable against or owed to CWIL. Other assets and liabilities of the Transferors in respect of the Transferring Business, such as the benefit of outwards reinsurance arrangements, will also transfer to CWIL.

There will be no change to the arrangements for policy and claims administration as a result of the Proposed Transfer. The Proposed Transfer will allow for the continuation, by or against CWIL, of any legal proceedings commenced prior to the date of transfer by or against any of the Transferors that relate to their respective rights and obligations in respect of the Transferring Business.

If you have been sent this letter because you are representing a claimant who is making a claim under a policy with a Transferor or CWIL then nothing in this letter should be deemed to be an acknowledgment or acceptance of the validity of that claim or of any liability of the relevant Transferor or CWIL in relation to that claim (and, in particular, any reservation of rights which if issued shall remain fully reserved) or the validity of the relevant policy (including where such policy has been voided).

How are claimants' interests being protected?

The legal process for the Proposed Transfer is designed to help safeguard policyholders' and claimants' interests.

- An independent expert (the Independent Expert) has been appointed to write a report for the Court. The appointment of the Independent Expert was approved by the Prudential Regulation Authority (the PRA) in consultation with the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). The Independent Expert has assessed the impact of the Proposed Transfer and has concluded that it will not materially adversely affect any group of policyholders. For these purposes, "policyholder" includes both the legal holder of the policy and any person to whom, under the policy, a sum, periodic payment or benefit is or may become due or payable.
- The Transferors and CWIL have consulted closely with the PRA and the FCA. The PRA and the FCA are entitled to make their own representations to the Court and we expect them to do so.
- The Court must approve the Proposed Transfer for it to go ahead. The Court will only approve the Proposed Transfer if certain legal requirements are satisfied and if, in all the circumstances, the Court considers it appropriate to approve the Proposed Transfer. In reaching its decision, the Court will consider the views of the Independent Expert, the PRA, the FCA and any person who alleges that they would be adversely affected by the Proposed Transfer.
- Policyholders and claimants have the right to attend the Court hearing that will consider the Proposed Transfer and to present any objections or concerns that they may have directly, or appoint legal counsel to attend on their behalf. If your clients want to telephone or write to us rather than appear in person, we will present in writing any objections received to the Court on **18 November 2022**. If you or your clients decide to write to us, you are kindly requested to do so as soon as possible and preferably no later than **11 November 2022**.

What should you do?

Please carefully read the information we have included with this letter. We have enclosed a booklet containing more information and background in relation to the Proposed Transfer:

- "Questions and Answers" about the Proposed Transfer;
- a summary of the legal document that sets out the terms of the Proposed Transfer (the Scheme Document);
- a summary of the Independent Expert's report;
- a copy of a legal notice setting out details of the Court hearing for the Proposed Transfer; and
- a copy of the letter to be sent to policyholders of the Transferors and CWIL.

We request that you consider the contents of this letter and its enclosures and provide all of your clients who are currently making a claim in respect of a policy of the Transferors and/or CWIL with a copy of the policyholder letter and the other enclosures.

How to make views known

Save as set out the above, you are not required to take any steps in relation to the Proposed Transfer. However, any person who alleges that they may be adversely affected by the Proposed Transfer has the right to make representations and/or appear at the Court hearing. If claimant or other interested person communicates with you in respect of the Proposed Transfer or raises any questions or concerns about the Proposed Transfer, including that they intend to make representations or appear at the hearing (either in person or using legal representation), we would encourage you to please contact us using the details set out below prior to the date of the hearing and preferably no later than **11 November 2022**.

You can:

- contact us by telephone at +44 1903 836804. When calling the helpline number, please leave a short message stating the nature of your query and your contact details and we will endeavour to return your call within 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays);
- write to us at Part VII Enquiries, Catalina Services UK Limited, 1st Floor, 1 Alie Street, London E1 8DE; or
- e-mail us at: <u>PartVIITransfer@catalinare.com</u>.

For your convenience, this information is also available on our website <u>www.catalinaworthing.co.uk/PartVII.html</u>, together with full copies of the documents enclosed with this letter, the Scheme Document and the Independent Expert's report. All updates and details about the progress of the Proposed Transfer, including the supplemental Independent Expert's report(s) that may be prepared prior to the Court hearing, will also be posted on this website. If you require hard copies of the documentation included on our website, please contact us using the details set out above.

Yours faithfully,

Graeme McAndrew

For and on behalf of **AGF Insurance Limited**

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