STATE INSURANCE & RISK MANAGEMENT BOARD
Special Meeting
September 20, 2024
9:30 A.M

A special meeting of the State Insurance and Risk Management Board was held on Tuesday, September 20, 2024.

Mr. Stephen Fontana Vice chair presided.

The following members were in attendance:

State Insurance & Risk Management Board

Ms. Susan Alker
Mr. George A. Dagon
Mr. Brian Farell
Mr. Stephen Fontana
Mr. Scott Kuhnly
Mr. Patrick Mahon
Mr. Seth T. Mahler
Mr. John Rogers

Ms. Susan M. Donatelli, Chairperson was unable to attend
Ms. Yamuna Menon was unable to attend

Department of Administrative Services/Insurance and Risk Management Board

Ms. Melissa M. Frank, Director of Insurance and Risk Management, SIRMB
Ms. Sherry-Ann Chance

Office of the Agent of Record

Mr. Brian Tamms, Senior Vice President
Ms. Doreen Lessard, Account Executive

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 A.M.

2. Introduction of new Board member John Rogers

The newly appointed board member John Rogers was introduced and welcomed to the State Insurance and Risk Management Board. Mr. Rogers replaces Mr. Necci who resigned from the board.

3. Insurance Renewals – (Discussion & Approval)

a) Metro-North Rail Liability (Expires 9/24/24) (Exhibit 2a)

Mr. Tamms explained that the Metro North Rail Liability policy covers the New Haven branch lines, tracks and locomotives that are owned by the State of Connecticut. The policy satisfies a contractual requirement of the commuter rail services contract with Metro North.

Explaining the rail liability market, Mr. Tamms stated that due to the insurance and litigation environment, the marketplace is seeing fewer carriers offering capacity, and those that are entertaining coverage are lowering limits or moving higher up in the towers. He also stated that the New Haven line benefits from a favorable loss history and the size of the self-insured retention. This aided in a favorable renewal for the Metro North Rail Liability insurance tower, which retains aggregate limits, carrier shares and carrier positions in the insurance tower with only a slight overall increase in premium.

After further discussion on the pre and post covid Metro North ridership levels and expected future trends,

a motion was made by Mr. Mahon, seconded by Mr. Farrell and the board

VOTED: To place coverage as outlined in Exhibit 3a at an annual premium of $3,012,505.

Mr. Mahler recused and abstained from the discussion and vote.

b) Student Malpractice/Allied Health (Expires 9/25/24)

Mr. Tamms explained that this policy is professional liability coverage for students in Allied Health programs at CT State Colleges, Charter Oak College, CT State Universities, UConn and CT Technical Schools, who are in clinical rotations.

A motion was made by Mr. Mahon, seconded by Mr. Mahler and unanimously

VOTED: To place coverage as outlined in Exhibit 3b at an annual premium of $106,209.

c) CT DOT Rolling Stock (Expires 10/1/24)

Mr. Tamms advised that this policy provides property damage coverage on the CT Transit buses while they are parked in certain designated state-owned garages and parking lots. The electric bus fleet has continued to grow with the overall (electric and diesel) bus fleet growing over 50% in the past year, with the inclusion of one additional location into the program. The 2022 thermal event, which was limited to one electric bus, and which was covered under manufacturer's warranty, presented some underwriting issues, but The Hartford quoted a renewal coverage for the entire fleet including the electric busses. As was the case with the expiring policy, the renewal policy has a different deductible for electric and diesel buses. The aggregate limits for both diesel and electric buses have increased but the deductibles remain the same as the expiring policy. It was noted that with the expansion of the fleet, and the addition of one additional location, the renewal premium significantly increased compared to the expiring.

After further discussion about the growth of the electric fleet, manufacturer's warranty and expected future risks,

a motion was made by Ms. Alker, seconded by Mr. Mahon and unanimously

VOTED: To place coverage as outlined in Exhibit 3c at an annual premium of $428,119.

d) UConn Co-Gen Plant (Expires 10/1/24)

Mr. Tamms explained that this coverage is purchased because of an inter-connection agreement between Eversource and UConn regarding their co-generation plants. UConn is contractually required to purchase this coverage, and the premium is 100% reimbursable by UCONN. The increase in premium is due to the opening of a Supplemental Utility Plant at UConn (in addition to the Central Utility Plant), and an increase in payroll of approximately 50%.

A motion was made by Mr. Mahon, seconded by Mr. Mahler and unanimously

VOTED: To place coverage as outlined in Exhibit 3d at an annual premium of $486,730.

4. <u>Date and Time of Next Meeting</u>

The date and location of next meeting was announced as Tuesday October 8, 2024, @ 9:30am and will be a hybrid meeting.

5. <u>Motion to Adjourn</u>

It was moved by Mr. Mahon, seconded by Mr. Farrell and unanimously

VOTED: The meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M.