

March 5, 2014

Deputy Commissioner Danny Saenz Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (E) Subgroup National Association of Insurance Commissioners Via email: c/o jkoenigsman@naic.org

Re: Comments on NAIC ORSA Guidance Manual

Dear Mr. Saenz,

On behalf of the American Academy of Actuaries<sup>1</sup> ORSA Subgroup, I appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on the March 2014 draft, *Guidance Manual for the Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA)*.

We agree with the revisions made in the March 2014 draft, and we believe they will provide further clarity for those developing ORSA reports. We support the view that the ORSA report should be consistent with the insurer's actual enterprise risk management framework, as opposed to a separate compliance exercise.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with these comments and would be happy to discuss these comments with you further. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Jerbi, the Academy's assistant director of public policy, via email (jerbi@actuary.org) or phone (202-223-8196).

Sincerely,

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