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Director John Huff, Chair Solvency Modernization Initiative (E) Task Force National Association of Insurance Commissioners Via email: c/o kdefrain@naic.org

Re: NAIC white paper, The U.S. National State-Based System of Insurance Financial Regulation and the Solvency Modernization Initiative

On behalf of the American Academy of Actuaries' Solvency Committee I appreciate this opportunity to provide comments on the April 1, 2013 draft white paper, *The U.S. National State-Based System of Insurance Financial Regulation and the Solvency Modernization Initiative*.

Several Academy committees including this one, provided prior, extensive comments² to an earlier draft of this paper. Upon review of the revised white paper, we believe the necessary, significant issues have been addressed. The revised report is well-organized, covers the important issues, and in our view accurately reflects US state-based regulation.

As a final suggestion, however, should it not have already been undertaken, before publishing the final white paper, we would recommend the NAIC compare this white paper to the content of the recently-released EU/US study to assure there are no material differences ascribed to practices in the U.S.

Sincerely,

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² Comment letter - Academy's Risk Management and Financial Reporting Council Solvency Committee, the Life Practice Council, the Property and Casualty Risk-Based Capital Committee, and the Health Practice Solvency Work Group http://actuary.org/files/NAIC SMI White Paper response.pdf