

BEFORE THE STATE OF WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

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In the Matter of )  
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**BUSINESS HEALTH TRUST, et al.** ) **Docket No. 15-0133**  
 ) **SCHEDULING ORDER**  
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Business Health Trust, a third party administrator of 13 industry specific Health Benefit Trusts (“Trusts”); each of the 13 industry specific Health Benefits Trusts and their associations: Aerospace Industry Health Trust, Agriculture Industry Health Trust, Business Services Industry health Trust, Community Service Organization Industry Health Trust, Healthcare Industry Health Trust, Information Technology Industry Health Trust, End-Line Manufacturing Industry Health Trust, Media Industry Health Trust, Retail Industry Health Trust, Tourism Industry Health Trust, Transportation Industry Health Trust, and Wholesaling Industry Health Trust; each of the sponsoring employers (approximately 661 employers as of January 1, 2015) solely with respect to the insurance coverage provided by such Trusts, with the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce serving as a representative for such employers; and the individual participants of such Trusts (approximately 14, 892 insureds as of January 1, 2015), with Emmy Jordan serving as a representative for such participants (collectively referred to as Business Health Trust) submitted a Demand for Hearing, dated and filed May 11, 2015, demanding a hearing to challenge the Office of the Insurance Commissioner’s (OIC’s) February 15, 2015, disapproval of the of its 2014 rate and form filings for the Trusts filed by Premera Blue Cross.

On June 11, 2015, the undersigned held a first prehearing conference. The OIC was represented by Marta DeLeon, Attorney at Law, Assistant Attorney General. Richard J. Birmingham, Attorney at Law, of Davis Wright Tremaine, represented BHT, et al. John Pierce of Premera Blue Cross also attended.

Counsel for the parties to this matter, as well as Mr. Pierce or other counsel for Premera, shall meet and confer to discuss 1) possible consolidation of this matter with other Association Health Plan matters in which Premera is a party; and 2) a briefing schedule in this matter.

By June 19, 2015, the parties and Premera shall serve and file a statement as to their agreements and separate statements as to their disagreements, if any.

I expect to issue a Scheduling Conference Order as soon as possible after receiving the parties’ and Premera’s statement or statements.

Dated: June 11, 2015



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JUDGE GEORGE FINKLE (Ret.)  
Presiding Officer

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Declaration of Mailing

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that on the date listed below, I mailed or caused delivery through normal office mailing custom, a true copy of this document to the following people at their addresses listed above: Richard J. Birmingham and Christine Hawkins, Marta DeLeon, Mike Kreidler, James T. Odiorne, J.D., CPA, Molly Nollette, and AnnaLisa Gellermann.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

  
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