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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF OIC NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR HEARING

To: Pacific Star Insurance Company, c/o Brian Kreger, Counsel

Copy to: Drew Stillman, OIC Legal Affairs Division

From: William Pardee, Presiding Officer *WP*

Date: May 20, 2016

Hearing: **Pacific Star Insurance Company**
Request for Imposition of Fine, 16-0043

This is to advise you that on May 19, 2016, the Hearings Unit received and filed a Notice of Request for Hearing for Imposition of Fine issued by the Insurance Commissioner proposing disciplinary action against Pacific Star Insurance Company.

In approximately 5 working days, you will be contacted by the Hearings Unit to schedule a telephonic prehearing conference. Participants in the prehearing conference will include: 1) you, and/or a representative from Pacific Star Insurance Company (under GR 24 of the Washington Court Rules, attorneys in this proceeding need not be licensed to practice in Washington State); 2) a representative of the Insurance Commissioner; and 3) myself, as Presiding Officer. In order to include all the necessary parties in the prehearing conference, please contact Dorothy Seabourne-Taylor, Hearings Unit Paralegal, (360) 725-7002, DorothyS@oic.wa.gov, to provide the names and contact information, including phone numbers and e-mail addresses, of the persons who will be participating in the prehearing conference on behalf of Pacific Star Insurance Company.

All stages of the hearing process, including the prehearing conference, are public, and interested persons may attend, upon request to the Hearings Unit. Following the prehearing conference, I will issue a Notice of Hearing, which will advise you of the date, time, and place of the hearing.

The rules governing hearing procedures are primarily found at Chapter 34.05 RCW (the Washington State Administrative Procedure Act) and Chapter 10-08 of the Washington Administrative Code. Although the hearing will be somewhat formal, I will be as flexible as possible to accommodate the parties and witnesses. Hearings are normally conducted in three parts: 1) Each party presents an opening statement summarizing the evidence it expects to present. 2) Each party presents its case-in-chief, including the testimony of witnesses, subject to cross examination by the opposing party, and/or documents.

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Witnesses may be permitted to testify by telephone; 3) Each party presents closing arguments summarizing – from its perspective -- the application of pertinent statutes and/or regulations to the evidence.

As Presiding Officer, I have not had prior involvement with this case. Following the hearing, I will make a final written decision, appealable only to the Superior Court and not to another administrative official or tribunal.

If you have any questions, require an interpreter, or have a disability which would require accommodation during the pendency of this case, please contact Dorothy Seabourne-Taylor, Hearings Unit Paralegal, (360) 725-7002; DorothyS@oic.wa.gov.