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ANNOUNCEMENT

Assessments Refunded by the Connecticut Insurance Guaranty Association

Purpose: This Announcement informs each insurer that is a member (member insurer) of the Connecticut Insurance Guaranty Association (CIGA) that on or before February 19, 2019, the member insurer must pay a portion of their recently refunded assessments, as described in this Announcement, to the Department of Revenue Services (DRS).

Effective Date: Upon issuance.

Statutory Authority: Conn. Gen. Stat. § 38a-841(c)(1).

Payment by Member Insurers required on or Before February 19, 2019: On or about January 2, 2019, CIGA mailed to member insurers an Assessment Statement with a January 1, 2019, Assessment Date (January 1, 2019, Assessment Statement) and refunded to its member insurers a portion of prior CIGA assessments made to meet CIGA’s obligations with respect to Reliance Insurance Company (2000 base year) and Legion Insurance Company (2002 base year).

For Connecticut insurance premiums tax purposes, a CIGA assessment paid by a member insurer during a calendar year beginning on or after January 1, 2000 is permitted to be offset against the member insurer’s Connecticut insurance premiums tax liability for the five calendar years following the calendar year during which the CIGA assessment was paid (with 20% of the assessment permitted to be offset in each of those five calendar years) provided that if a CIGA assessment paid during a calendar year beginning on or after January 1, 2000 is refunded to a member insurer, the member insurer is required to pay the amount of the refunded assessment to DRS.

Each member insurer is now required to pay to DRS the total of:

- The amount entered in the row for **Reliance Insurance Company** for *Auto* under the column headed *Amount Payable* on the January 1, 2019, Assessment Statement; **and**

- The amount entered in the row for **Legion Insurance Company** for *Other* under the column headed *Amount Payable* on the January 1, 2019, Assessment Statement.

Member Insurers That Did Not Offset Any Portion of an Original Assessment: If a member insurer did not offset any portion of an original assessment by CIGA with respect to Reliance Insurance Company (2000 base year) and Legion Insurance Company (2002 base year) against its Connecticut insurance premiums tax liability for any calendar year, the member insurer must notify the DRS in writing, to the address below:

Department of Revenue Services
Audit Division, Public Services Unit
Insurance Tax Section
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Failure to provide written notification to the DRS may result in an assessment being issued.

Payment Due Date: Payment is due to DRS on or before the 45th day after the date of mailing of the January 1, 2019, Assessment Statement.

If the amount that a member insurer is required to pay to DRS is not paid on or before February 19, 2019, interest will accrue on the amount not paid at the rate of 1% per month or fraction of a month from February 19, 2019.

Make your check payable to **Commissioner of Revenue Services**. DRS may submit your check to your bank electronically.

To insure the proper crediting of your payment:

- The member insurer’s Connecticut Tax Registration Number and “CIGA” must be written in the lower left corner of the check;
- A copy of the member insurer’s January 1, 2019, Assessment Statement must be enclosed with the payment; **and**

- Payment must be sent to:
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Effect on Other Documents: None.

Effect of This Document: Announcements alert taxpayers to new developments (other than newly enacted or amended Connecticut or federal laws or newly released judicial decisions), including new administrative positions, policies, or practices.

For More Information Regarding Refunded CIGA Assessments: Call the DRS Public Services Unit at **860-541-3225**, Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

For Further Information: Call DRS during business hours, Monday through Friday:

- **800-382-9463** (Connecticut calls outside the Greater Hartford calling area only); **or**
- **860-297-5962** (from anywhere).

TTY, TDD, and Text Telephone users only may transmit inquiries anytime by calling 860-297-4911.

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Forms and Publications: Visit the DRS website at portal.ct.gov/DRS to download and print Connecticut tax forms and publications.

Paperless Filing/Payment Methods (fast, easy, free, and confidential): Business and individual taxpayers can use the **Taxpayer Service Center (TSC)** at portal.ct.gov/TSC to file a variety of tax returns, update account information, and make payments online.

File Electronically: You can choose first-time filer information and filing assistance or log directly into the **TSC** to file returns and pay taxes.

Pay Electronically: You can pay taxes for tax returns that cannot be filed through the **TSC**. Log in and select the *Make Payment Only* option. Choose a payment up to the due date of the tax and mail a paper return to complete the filing process.

Please note: Member insurers cannot pay their CIGA refunded assessments electronically through the TSC.