



REMINDER TO MEMBERS

There are now twenty-six¹ insurers that have been granted Domestic Surplus Line Insurer (DSLII) status under section 445a (twenty are still active). They are:

COMPANY NAME	EFF. DATE OF DSLI STATUS
AIG Specialty Ins Co ²	12/28/2007
Allianz Underwriters Insurance Co	12/31/2012
Argonaut Limited Risk Insurance Co ³	12/31/2005 to 08/17/2017
AXIS Surplus Insurance Company	10/01/2009
Blue Hill Specialty Insurance Co Inc	12/30/2014
Bracken Hill Specialty Insurance Co Inc ⁴	12/23/2008 to 12/31/2014
Burlington Insurance Co	12/31/2015
Columbia Casualty Co	07/01/2005
Discover Specialty Insurance Co	10/01/2006
Dover Bay Specialty Insurance Co	02/05/2016
Evanston Insurance Co	09/01/2015
First Mercury Insurance Co ⁵	06/15/2004 to 10/28/2015
HDI Specialty Insurance Co	03/28/2017
Hiscox Specialty Insurance Co Inc	04/01/2022
Illinois Union Insurance Co	08/03/2004
Interstate Fire & Casualty Company	10/01/2009
ISMIE Indemnity Co	10/03/2006
Mt Hawley Insurance Co	04/21/1999
Noetic Specialty Insurance Co ⁶	11/07/2001 to 11/18/2010
North Light Specialty Insurance Co	05/19/2014
Old Republic Union Insurance Co	05/27/2015
Prime Insurance Co	06/12/2006
Starr Surplus Lines Insurance Co ⁷	02/18/2009 to 12/31/2017
State Farm Specialty Insurance Co	07/26/2023
Steadfast Insurance Co	12/31/2018
Vantage Risk Specialty Insurance Co ⁸	12/21/2017 to 11/30/2022

Remember when you are filing policies for these companies, **all regular surplus line taxes and fees still apply**, and the service of suit requirement does not. Also remember, for these companies, there is a different Notice to Policyholder requirement. Pursuant to paragraph 10.5 of Section 445, you must use the following “Notice to Policyholder” on the declarations page: **“Notice to Policyholder: This contract is issued by a domestic surplus line insurer, as defined in Section 445a, pursuant to Section 445 and as such is not covered by the Illinois Insurance Guaranty Fund.”**

If you have any questions regarding Illinois Domestic Surplus Line Insurers, please refer to SLA General Bulletin 16, as revised, or feel free to contact our office.

1. The information in this bulletin (list of domestic surplus line insurers) has been updated to reflect current information as of 7/26/2023.
2. Formerly American International Specialty Lines Ins Co. Changed name to Chartis Specialty Ins Co effective 11/1/2009. Changed name to AIG Specialty Ins Co effective 10/1/2013.
3. Argonaut Limited Risk Insurance Co was issued an Amended Certificate of Authority on 8/18/2017 to delete the domestic surplus line insurer status and become a domestic stock company (admitted).
4. Formerly Hiscox Specialty Ins Co Inc. Name change effective 7/9/2012. Was a domestic surplus line insurer from 12/23/2008 until 12/31/2014 when they merged with and into Canopus US Insurance, Inc.
5. First Mercury Insurance Co redomiciled to Delaware effective 10/28/2015.
6. Noetic Specialty Insurance Co redomiciled to Vermont effective 11/18/2010.
7. Starr Surplus Lines Insurance Co redomiciled to Texas effective 1/1/2018.
8. Formerly Crystal Ridge Specialty Insurance Co Inc. Changed name to Vantage Risk Specialty Ins Co effective 7/20/2021. Vantage Risk Specialty Ins Co redomiciled to Delaware effective 11/30/2022.

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