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DATE:

AUGUST 24, 2015

TO:

AUTHORIZED INSURANCE COMPANIES, HMO'S, HOSPITAL/MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS, FARMERS' MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATIONS

AND INSURER AND AGENT TRADE ASSOCIATIONS

FROM:

ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT:

RULE 43, "UNFAIR CLAIMS SETTLEMENT PRACTICES"

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please find attached or available by electronic publication by the Arkansas Insurance Department ("Department") Proposed Amended Rule 43, "Unfair Claims Settlement Practices." The Arkansas Insurance Commissioner ("Commissioner") is proposing to make clerical modifications to the time-limit language in Section 9 of the Rule.

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated §§ 23-61-108(a)(1), 23-61-108(b)(1), 23-76-108(a), and 25-15-204, and other applicable laws or rules, NOTICE is hereby given that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held on **September 30, 2015, at 9:00 A.M.**, in the First Floor Hearing Room, Arkansas Insurance Department ("Department"), 1200 West Third Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to determine whether the Commissioner should adopt Proposed Amended Rule 43, "Unfair Claims Settlement Practices."

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the Public Hearing and may appear and present, orally or in writing, statements, arguments or opinions on the proposed Rule. All licensees and other interested persons are responsible for notifying all their personnel, agents, and employees about this Public Hearing. Persons wishing to testify should notify the Legal Division as soon as possible, and are requested to submit intended statements in writing in advance. A copy of Proposed Rule 43 can be obtained or viewed on the Legal Division's Internet Web Site at http://www.insurance.arkansas.gov/legal.htm.

Please direct your inquiries to the Legal Division at (501) 371-2820 or insurance.legal@arkansas.gov.

Sincerely,

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