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Dividends!!

\$7.4 Million in Dividends Being Returned

At its regularly held Board Meeting on October 27, 2015, the Kentucky AGC/SIF Board of Trustees approved the release of \$7,355,353 in dividends and \$478,098 in Special Fund taxes to be paid in March of 2016. This payment marks the 22nd consecutive year that the Kentucky AGC/SIF has returned premium dollars to its eligible members.

After the dividends and Special Fund taxes are released in March of 2016, the total dividends and taxes returned to Fund members since 1994 will be over \$153.9 MILLION DOLLARS!

In March of 2016, dividends will be released that represent an 18% return of total premiums paid in for eligible members for the 2011 Fund Year as of October 31, 2015. What are the chances that your company will receive a dividend? Historically, 94-95% of eligible members have qualified for a dividend check. As of October 31, 2015, 96% of members who were in the Fund in 2011, and who remain in the Fund, are eligible for a 2016 dividend check. Here is how a company can qualify:

- ◆ Have been a member in the year for which the dividend is being paid (2011)
- ◆ Have a Loss Ratio (losses/premium) of less than 100% for the year in which the dividend is being paid (2011)
- ◆ Be a CURRENT member at the time of the dividend payment (March of 2016)
- ◆ Be current in all payment obligations to the Fund and its participating Trade Associations

Now available on the Fund's website (www.kyagcsif.com), members and agents can access ESTIMATED dividend returns that will be issued in March of 2016. Registered users can log in, go to the reports menu and select "Estimated Dividend Report". If you are not currently a registered user, simply go to the website homepage and click on "Need to sign up?" in the upper right hand corner.

If you are unsure as to whether or not your company may be eligible for a dividend payment in 2016, please contact the Fund Office at (800) 928-7135.

"As a result of the ongoing commitment of the membership to safe work practices, the Fund is very proud to issue a dividend for the 22nd year in a row.

This dividend reflects a collective commitment of all Fund stakeholders to the success and perpetuation of the Fund."

- Karl T. Ladegast, Administrator

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Rolling Out the Red Carpet!

Annual Agents' Awards Ceremony

On October 26, 2015, the Kentucky AGC/SIF's Board of Trustees, Association Executives and its Administration team came together to pay tribute to its 2014 top producing Agencies at its 18th Annual Agents' Awards Ceremony. This year's awards ceremony was held in downtown Louisville at The Galt House. Agencies were awarded in four (4) categories: **PLATINUM**, **CRYSTAL**, **GOLD** and **SILVER**.

Platinum Category

The Platinum Award was presented (by Chairman Doug Hacker) to the overall top producing agency for the 2014 year. The agency and its representatives receiving the Platinum Award were:

- ◆ **Assured Neace Lukens:** Steve Leist & Joe Wheatley

Crystal Category

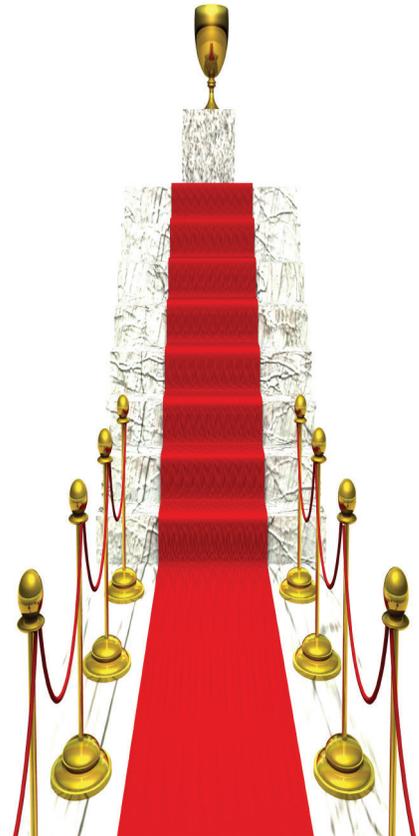
The Crystal Awards were presented (by Chairman Doug Hacker) to those agencies which produced \$2 million (or more) in premium for the 2014 year. The agencies and their representatives receiving Crystal Awards were:

- ◆ **BB&T Insurance Services:** Charles Peden & Donna Peden
- ◆ **Logan Lavelle Hunt Insurance:** John Lavelle
- ◆ **USI Insurance Services:** Jeff Duncan, Fred Orthmeyer, Denise Poole & Walt Zolla

Gold Category

The Gold Awards were presented (by Chairman Doug Hacker) to those agencies which produced \$1 million (or more, but not exceeding \$1,999,999) in premium for the 2014 year. The agencies and their representatives receiving Gold Awards were:

- ◆ **Brown & Brown of Kentucky:** Michael Moir & Walker Price
- ◆ **Center of Insurance:** Bruce Barrick
- ◆ **Curneal & Hignite:** Joe Stewart & Daniel Tabb
- ◆ **Energy Insurance:** Todd Carlisle & Jeremy Fultz
- ◆ **Garrett-Stotz Company:** Chris von Allmen, Ryan Mitchell & Drew Windhorst
- ◆ **Peel & Holland Financial Group:** Todd Anderson
- ◆ **Powell-Walton-Milward:** Kav Milward & Will Milward
- ◆ **Roeding Group Companies:** Steve Roeding
- ◆ **The Underwriters Group:** Mike Busick



Rate Changes

After analyzing and considering a multitude of statistical data, as well as anticipating future market conditions, the Kentucky AGC/SIF's Board of Trustees, at its regularly held Board Meeting on October 27, 2015, resolved to adjust the Fund's rates for the upcoming 2015 Fund Year.

For those rates that increased, no rate increased by more than 5%. For those rates that decreased, again, no rate decreased by more than 5%. Overall, the Fund's rates will decrease by **2.87%**.

As always, the Board of Trustees carefully considers the ultimate costs to the members, as well as the overall perpetuation of the Fund. These slight rate adjustments allow the Fund to not only maintain consistent premium levels, but also continue to offer the membership a stable and competitive rate structure.

Ohio Coverage Changes

Effective September 17, 2014, Ohio changed its coverage laws to respect the extra-territorial laws of other states for a period not to exceed 90 days. What does this mean?

Should a Kentucky domiciled company take regularly employed Kentucky employees to the state of Ohio to work for a period not exceeding 90 days, said employer is exempt from having to obtain a policy from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (OBWC) for said period. Should the period of work exceed 90 days, said employer must obtain a workers' compensation policy from the OBWC.

Should a Kentucky domiciled company hire Ohio residents who may work in Ohio on a temporary basis, the employee must choose coverage under either the Ohio law (form C-110) or the Kentucky law (form C-112). Should the Ohio resident choose to be covered under the Ohio law, the Kentucky employer must obtain a OBWC policy to provide said coverage. Should the Kentucky employer hire Ohio residents to specifically work in Ohio, said employer must obtain a OBWC policy.

For questions regarding this policy, please contact the Fund Office at (800) 928-7135, or the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation at (800) 644-6292.

(Note: Form C-110 & C-112 are Ohio forms and must be obtained from the OBWC.)

Source: Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation

Awards continued...

Silver Category

The Silver Awards were presented (by Chairman Doug Hacker) to those agencies which produced \$500,000 (or more, but not exceeding \$999,999) in premium for the 2014 year. The agencies and their representatives receiving Silver Awards were:

- ◆ **C.K. Ash & Associates:** Brian Jones & Watson Jones
- ◆ **Carroll & Stone Insurance:** Chris Goddard
- ◆ **Charles H. Bilz:** Jimmie Berger
- ◆ **Charles M. Moore Insurance:** Tommy Adams & Mike Hepp
- ◆ **E.M. Ford & Company:** Lynn Holland
- ◆ **Gallagher SKS:** David Dietrichson
- ◆ **GCH Insurance:** John Hampton & Carrie Kendrick
- ◆ **Greater Lexington Insurance:** David Thornton
- ◆ **Hyland, Block & Hyland:** David Schweitzer
- ◆ **Morgan, Trevathan & Gunn:** Michael Martin
- ◆ **Peoples Insurance:** Casey Lequire
- ◆ **RH Clarkson Insurance Group:** Richard Lewis
- ◆ **Sterling G. Thompson Agency:** Philip Anderton & Ned Booker
- ◆ **Van Zandt, Emrich & Cary:** Bobby Neutz & Rudy Schlich
- ◆ **Western Rivers Corporation:** Patty Freeman

The five (5) award winning agencies that were UNABLE to attend the ceremony this year were:

- ◆ **Cumberland Valley Insurance:** Silver Award
- ◆ **Crawford Insurance:** Gold Award
- ◆ **Kentucky Farm Bureau:** Silver Award
- ◆ **Slade & Collins Insurance:** Silver Award
- ◆ **Van Meter Insurance:** Crystal Award

Additionally, the Fund would like to take this opportunity to thank ALL of its participating agencies across this great Commonwealth for your many years of support. Without your continued confidence in the Fund as a market of choice for your clients' workers' compensation needs, we would not be where we are today.

THANK YOU!!!

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Dividend Declaration

Dividend Declared for the 2015 Year

At its regularly held Board Meeting on October 27, 2015, the Kentucky AGC/SIF's Board of Trustees declared a dividend of \$8,950,000. This declaration will bring the total dividend pool (available for future payments to qualifying Fund members) to over \$44 million.

If you have any questions regarding the dividend declaration, please contact the Fund Office at (800) 928-7135.

Special Fund Tax

Tax Decreases

Effective January 1, 2016, the Kentucky Special Fund Assessment Tax will decrease to **5.51%**. The 5.51% rate represents the lowest Assessment Tax Rate that Kentucky employers have experienced since 1989.

How does the Assessment Tax Rate affect your company? It is the rate you multiply your normal premium by each month (or one time per year if you pay your entire premium at the beginning of the policy year) to determine the applicable tax amount you must pay as part of your total monthly workers' compensation insurance premium payment.

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