

January 2, 2024

Re: Notice of Liquidation of 1st Auto & Casualty Insurance Company and Termination of Coverage

Dear Policyholders and Potential Claimants:

On January 2, 2024, 1st Auto & Casualty Insurance Company ("1st Auto"), a Wisconsin domiciled property and casualty insurance company, was ordered to be liquidated by the Dane County Circuit Court, State of Wisconsin, effective on January 1, 2024 (the "Liquidation Order"). 1st Auto has been in rehabilitation since June 21, 2023, and the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (the "OCI") petitioned for the liquidation of 1st Auto only after all other alternatives were thoroughly explored.

The Court appointed Wisconsin Commissioner of Insurance, Nathan Houdek, and his successors in office or any of their delegees, as Liquidator, and Justin Schrader of Noble Consulting Services, Inc. as Special Deputy Liquidator for 1<sup>st</sup> Auto.

The liquidation of 1<sup>st</sup> Auto impacts your insurance coverage under a policy issued by the company. The OCI is making every effort to minimize the financial loss and inconvenience you may experience due to the liquidation.

You are strongly urged to <u>read this letter carefully</u> and follow the procedures outlined. This letter will give you information on the treatment of your policy or claim in the liquidation. If you have any questions, please contact:

Justin Schrader
Special Deputy Liquidator
1st Auto & Casualty Insurance Company
2810 City View Drive
Madison, WI 53718
Telephone: 1.800.261.2886

E-Mail: 1stautoproofofclaim@1stauto.com

## NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS OF IN-FORCE POLICIES

**Policy Termination:** The court entered the liquidation order on January 2, 2024. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 645.43(1) and the Liquidation Order, all insurance policies issued by 1<sup>st</sup> Auto will be terminated at the earliest of the following dates:

- (a) 15 days from the date of entry of the liquidation order, or
- (b) The normal date for the expiration of coverage; or
- (c) The date the insured has replaced the insurance coverage with equivalent insurance in another insurer; or
- (d) The date the Liquidator has affected a transfer of the policy obligation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 645.46(8), which ever time is less.

We urge you to immediately seek replacement coverage if you have not already done so.

## NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS, CREDITORS AND POTENTIAL CLAIMAINTS

**Filing Proof of Claim:** All policyholders and claimants who wish to share in the distribution of 1<sup>st</sup> Auto's assets are required to file a Proof of Claim under Wis. Stat. § 645.62, with the Special Deputy Liquidator, c/o 1<sup>st</sup> Auto & Casualty Insurance Company, 2810 City View Drive Madison, WI 53718. Proof of Claims can also be submitted by fax at (608) 242-4514 or by email at 1stautoproofofclaim@1stauto.com. The Proof of Claim must be postmarked or received on or before July 1, 2024 (the "Bar Date").

Claims must be filed on a Proof of Claim form and according to instructions which may be obtained by writing to the above address. Forms and instructions may also be downloaded from OCl's website at oci.wi.gov/WRC.

If you fail to file a Proof of Claim your claim will not be considered for payment. You do not need to file a Proof of Claim if you have already filed a claim with 1<sup>st</sup> Auto or have given notice to the company of a suit in accordance with the policy terms. You do not need to file a claim for return of unearned premium. Claims for unearned premium will be determined based on 1<sup>st</sup> Auto's records.

Proofs of Claim received after the Bar Date may be relegated to a lower priority of payment.

If someone makes a claim against you for liability which is covered by a 1<sup>st</sup> Auto policy, you should file a Proof of Claim with the Special Deputy Liquidator on your own behalf, regardless of whether the person making the claim against you files a claim.

**P&C Insurance Guaranty Association Coverage:** The Insurance Guaranty Association of your state may provide coverage of claims under policies issued by insurance companies in liquidation, subject to certain deductibles, limits, restrictions, and exclusions. Your state's Insurance Guaranty Association will determine the allowable amount and the extent of policy coverage for any eligible claim against 1<sup>st</sup> Auto.

The Insurance Guaranty Association will be responsible for the administration of all property and casualty claims under policies covered by them, including direction of defense counsel. Your defense counsel may contact 1<sup>st</sup> Auto at the above address in an urgent situation; otherwise, defense counsel will receive instructions directly from the applicable Insurance Guaranty Association at a later time.

You may find contact information for the Insurance Guaranty Association in your state through the National Conference on Insurance Guaranty Funds' website, www.ncigf.org.

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