## SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK **COUNTY OF NEW YORK** In the Matter of the Liquidation of Index No. 41294/86 MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY Assigned to: Hon. Michael Stallman I.A.S. Part 7 AFFIDAVIT OF AFFIDAVIT OF JACQUELINE BAZEMORE IN SUPPORT OF MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF JAMES C. OWEN, ESQ. Attorney for Superintendent of Insurance as Liquidator Office and Post Office Address, Telephone McCARTHY, LEONARD, KAEMMERER, OWEN, McGOVERN, STRILER & MENGHINI, L.C. 400 SOUTH WOODS MILL ROAD, SUITE 250 CHESTERFIELD, MO 63017 ATTORNEY CERTIFICATION The undersigned, an attorney admitted to practice in the courts of New York state, certifies that, upon information, belief and reasonable inquiry, the contentions in the above referenced document(s) and not frivolous. Dated: December 6, 2006 New York, New York

James C. Owen

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In the Matter of the Liquidation of 41294/86	Index No.
MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY	Affidavit
	Assigned to: Hon. Michael Stallman I.A.S. Part 7
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AFFIDAVIT OF JACQUELINE BAZEMORE
IN SUPPORT OF MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY'S
SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF REGARDING EVEREST REINSURANCE
COMPANY'S MOTION TO MODIFY
THE INJUNCTION TO PERMIT SUIT AGAINST THE LIQUIDATOR

State of New York	)
	) ss
County of New York	)

Jacqueline Bazemore, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I, Jacqueline Bazemore, am Director of the Reinsurance Estate Management Division at the New York Liquidation Bureau (the "Bureau") and I am fully familiar with the facts set forth herein. The Bureau is the entity which carries out the duties of the Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York as Liquidator of Midland Insurance Company (the "Liquidator").
- 2. I currently have supervisory responsibility for the evaluation and adjudication of claims filed in the estate of Midland Insurance

Company ("Midland") that are ultimately ceded to Everest Reinsurance Company ("Everest Re") by Midland.

- 3. I respectfully submit this affidavit in support of Midland's Supplemental Brief.
- 4. I am familiar with the claims procedures in the Midland estate and have, with other members of the Bureau's claims staff, prepared the summary attached to my affidavit as Exhibit 1. I believe that this summary is a fair and accurate description of the procedures that are generally used, although individual cases could present different issues that must be addressed on a case by case basis.

Jacqueline Bazemore

Sworn to before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006

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### SUMMARY

### MIDLAND'S CLAIMS HANDLING PRACTICE

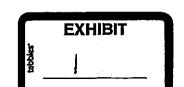
### I. CLAIMS PROCESS

Each policyholder claim accepted in the proceeding as timely by the liquidator is referred to an examiner for coverage determination, evaluation and recommended adjudication. The examiner reviews the materials initially presented and takes such steps as are necessary to protect the rights of the liquidator and discharge the liquidator's obligations. Any additional information essential to completing those tasks is requested from the policyholder and an independent investigation is initiated. Investigative steps may include collection of information from third party sources (internet, government agencies, other insurers, etc.), consultation with the liquidator's attorneys, consultation with outside experts (such as allocation experts) and the performance of claim audits. The examiner recommends initial reserves (in some cases precautionary reserves of \$9) which are periodically adjusted as additional information becomes available.

An Initial Captioned Report is prepared that summarizes the available information, provides a preliminary coverage analysis and claim evaluation and outlines steps required to bring the claim to conclusion. Supplemental Captioned Reports are prepared periodically as warranted by developments, and particularly changes in the coverage or claim evaluation. A final Supplemental Captioned Report - Recommended Allowance/Disallowance is prepared when the claim evaluation is completed. This process ultimately leads to a final claim evaluation resulting in an allowance or disallowance recommendation. All of these Captioned Reports are sent to the participating reinsurers during the process of the claims handling.

### II. ALLOWANCES

 Recommendation: Once the claims examiner has reviewed available information and determined that the policyholder has provided sufficient information evidencing impairment to



Midland's policies, the examiner may recommend an allowance range to the Large Claim Committee ("LCC").

A Supplemental Captioned Report – Recommended Allowance is prepared and submitted to the LCC for approval of the recommendation. The report will detail the rationale for the recommended allowance range and describe activities that have been completed in furtherance of the recommendation including the result of audits, the conduct of allocation analyses and other relevant information. If the LCC approves the recommended allowance range, a pro forma reinsurance cession is prepared, based on the high end of that range, and identifies which reinsurers would be impacted by the proposed recommended allowance.

- 2. Claim Alerts: The Claim Alerts that set forth the recommended allowance range (see sample attached as Exhibit A) are prepared and mailed to reinsurers upon the approval of the LCC. The Claim Alert is accompanied by the reinsurance cession (see sample on attached Exhibit B) and the Supplemental Captioned Report Recommended Allowance. The Claim Alert may also include other documentation, such as audit and allocation reports.
- 3. Reinsurer Inquiries: Reinsurers are given a minimum of 30 days to file any response or inquiry to the Claim Alert. Reinsurers may interpose whatever defenses that they believe are available to the Liquidator and question any aspects of the recommended allowance. The Liquidator considers the comments from reinsurers and incorporates what is relevant in its evaluation of the claim. If in the Liquidator's judgment the reinsurers' proposed defenses do not impact the proposed recommended allowance, the Liquidator may commence negotiations.
- 4. Settlement: The settlement between the policyholder and the Liquidator (see sample on attached Exhibit C) is executed and presented to Judge Michael Stallman (the Liquidation Court) for approval pursuant to the "Order Approving the Liquidator's Proposed Procedures for Judicial Review of Recommendations for Allowance of Claims" signed on January 30, 1997. (See attached Exhibit D)

5. Reinsurance Billing: Once an allowance has been approved by the Liquidation Court a reinsurance invoice is electronically generated and mailed to the reinsurers together with supporting documentation.

### III. DISALLOWANCE

The claims examination processes as outlined in Section I, above, pertain to disallowance procedures as well, and are incorporated herein. Once it has been determined that the claims should not be allowed, the following procedures are carried out.

- 1. Notices of Disallowance: A disallowance Notice of Determination ("NOD") is prepared and mailed to the Policyholder. (See sample disallowance NOD attached as Exhibit E). Pursuant to the "Order Approving the Petitioner's Proposed Procedure for Judicial Review of the Petitioner's Disallowance of Claims," (attached hereto as Exhibit F), the policyholder may file written objections to the disallowance within sixty days of the date of the NOD recommending disallowance.
- 2. Policyholder Files Written Objections: If the Policyholder files a timely written Objection, the Liquidator will review and determine whether the recommended disallowance should be reconsidered. If not, the claim is referred to the referee appointed by the Court (or to the Court itself in certain instances if the issue is purely a legal one) to hear and rule on the policyholder's objections. Contemporaneously, affected reinsurers are notified with a Reinsurer Notice (see attached Exhibit G –Reinsurer Notice).
- 3. No Timely Policyholder Objections Received: If the Policyholder fails to file a timely Objection, then the Liquidator submits an ex parte order to the Court to confirm the Liquidator's disallowance recommendation. Once the Liquidator receives the ex parte order confirming the disallowance, the claim file is closed, the reserve reduced to zero dollars (\$0) and the reinsurers on the risk are notified (see attached Exhibit H).

# **EXHIBIT A**



Howard Mills Superintendent as Receiver

Francesca Bliss
Special Deputy Superintendent

### NEW YORK LIQUIDATION BUREAU

123 William Street
New York, NY 10038 - 3889
(212) 341 - 6400
Facsimile (212) 608 - 3398

<DATE>

Name of Reinsurer/Contact Address

Re: Claim of ♦

Dear ♦:

, a policyholder in the estate of Midland Insurance Company in Liquidation ("Midland"), has filed claims which are being considered for an allowance in the range of \$\$\sigma\$ to \$\$\$, which allowance, if approved, will subsequently be processed for reinsurance collection.

Pursuant to your reinsurance contract(s) with Midland, you have a right to interpose defenses in this matter and assert any arguments or defenses you believe may apply. Your reinsurance contract(s) provides expressly or implicitly wording to the effect that:

In the event of the insolvency of the Reinsured, proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to the Reinsured ... shall be payable directly to its liquidator ... without diminution because of the insolvency. [D]uring the pendency of [a claim against the Reinsured], the Reinsurer(s) may investigate such claims and interpose, at its own expense, in the proceeding where such claim is to be adjudicated, any defense or defenses that it may deem available to the Reinsured [or] its liquidator; that the expense thus incurred by the Reinsurer shall be chargeable subject to court approval against the insolvent company as part of the expense of the liquidation to the extent of its proportionate share of the benefit which may accrue to the [Reinsured] solely as a result of the defense undertaken by the Reinsurer.

For your information, enclosed please find the Supplemental Captioned Report - Allowance that supports the allowance recommendation from the Midland consultant. There is significant, additional documentation available at the Midland offices for your review, including but not limited to Audit reports, Allocation reports and previous Captioned Reports that support the proposed allowance of the claims by  $\diamondsuit$ . You are welcome to review that information pursuant to the Access to Records clause in your reinsurance contract.

If it is your intention to formally intervene in this matter and interpose any defenses that you believe should be raised in the underlying claim of Bayer, please advise this office, in writing, within the next thirty (30) days.

If we can be of further assistance or if you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact us.

Very truly yours,

Andrew Stuehrk Director of Reinsurance

# **EXHIBIT B**

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# **EXHIBIT C**



### NEW YORK LIQUIDATION BUREAU

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Howard Mills Superintendent as Receiver

Jody S. Hall Special Deputy Superintendent

July 21, 2006

## CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Jason Steinhart Revlon nka Aventis Pharmaceuticals 300 Somerset Blvd., Route 202-206 PO Box 6977, Mail Code SC3-810B Bridgewater, NJ 08807-0800

## **NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

## In the Matter of the Liquidation of Midland Insurance Company

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Liquidator Nos.

M-PROD-612, M-PROD-615, M-PROD-620,

M-PROD-621, M-PROD-2215, M-PROD-2217

Insured Name

Revlon

Policy Nos.

XL 148331, XL 160301, XL 706578, XL 723714, XL 725150, XL 748829,

XL 770267

Date of Loss

Various

### **Determination Summary**

Claim No.	Claimant Number	Policy Number	Effective Dates	Liquidator Number	Allowance Amount
12-101264	002	XL 148331	1/1/78-1/1/79	M-PROD-612	\$500,000
12-101267	002	XL 160301	1/1/79-1/1/80	M-PROD-615	\$2,000,000

Claim No.	Claimant Number	Policy Number	Effective Dates	Liquidator Number	Allowance Amount
12-101270	002	XL 706578	1/1/80-1/1/81	M-PROD-618	\$2,000,000
12-101272	002	XL 723714	1/1/81-4/1/82	M-PROD-620	\$3,000,000
12-101273	002	XL 725150	4/1/82-4/1/83	M-PROD-621	\$3,000,000
22-100472	002	XL 748829	4/1/83-4/1/84	M-PROD-2215	\$1,551,373
22-100474	002	XL 770267	4/1/84-4/1/85	M-PROD-2217	\$69,558

### Dear Claimant:

Pursuant to an order ("the Liquidation Order") of the Supreme Court of the State of New York ("the Liquidator Court") entered on April 3, 1986 Midland Insurance Company ("Midland") was placed into liquidation and the Superintendent of Insurance was appointed Liquidator and vested with title to all its assets and property. Pursuant to the Liquidation Order and Article 74 of the Insurance Law, all persons having claims against Midland were directed to present them to the Liquidator who is required to fix and determine the liabilities of Midland subject to the approval of the Court.

Accordingly the purpose of this letter is to provide you with a determination of certain claims you have against Midland.

PLEASE REVIEW THIS NOTICE OF DETERMINATION AND THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT FORM CAREFULLY SINCE THEY SET OUT IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CLAIM(S) AND YOUR RIGHTS AS A CLAIMANT.

The Liquidator has now made a Determination on a portion of the claims filed by you based on the policies as set forth above in accordance with the procedures for allowance of claims to be approved by the Liquidation Court pursuant to the Court's Order of January 31, 1997. The Liquidator hereby gives notice that your claims will be recommended to the Court for partial allowance in the amount of \$12,120,931. The amount recommended for allowance is a partial allowance of all claims based on the amount of paid losses that you asserted on the above Midland policies.

### Follow these instructions:

If you wish to object to the Determination for any reason, you must serve the Liquidator
with a Written Objection and request for a hearing within sixty (60) days from the date
on the attached Notice of Determination. IF THE WRITTEN OBJECTION IS NOT
FILED WITH THE LIQUIDATOR WITHIN THE SIXTY (60) DAY PERIOD, THE

## DETERMINATION ON THIS CLAIM WILL BECOME FINAL AND WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW.

2. You must notify the Liquidator of any changes in your mailing address. This will ensure the Liquidator has a way to reach you if it becomes necessary. Please keep the Liquidator informed of your current address. Please forward your written objection to the following address:

Midland Insurance Company in Liquidation c/o New York Liquidation Bureau, MPH Claims Unit 123 William Street New York, New York 10038-3889

- The Liquidator will refer each claim for which there is a timely objection to the referee appointed for this purpose by the Liquidator Court and will notify each claimant of the time and place of the hearing of the claimant's claim.
- 4. You should keep a copy of the Notice of Determination, Acknowledgment of Receipt and Written Objection, if any, and then mail the originals by U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. A postage paid, return envelope has been provided.

IF YOU DO NOT OBJECT IN WRITING TO THIS NOTICE OF DETERMINATION AS DESCRIBED HEREIN, IT BECOMES FINAL AND BINDING AND NOT SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW.

Sincerely yours.

ody S. Hall

Assistant Special Deputy Superintendent

and Agent of Howard Mills

Acting Superintendent of Insurance

of the State of New York,

as Liquidator of

Midland Insurance Company

cc: William R. Herman, Esq.
Law Offices of William R. Herman
59 Betts Drive, Suite 100
Washington Crossing, PA 18977



### NEW YORK LIQUIDATION BUREAU

123 William Street
New York, NY 10038 - 3889
(212) 341 - 6400
Facsimile (212) 341 - 6263

Howard Mills Superintendent as Receiver

Jody S. Hall Special Deputy Superintendent

Date:

July 21, 2006

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Liquidator Nos. : M-PROD-612, M-PROD-615, M-PROD-618, M-PROD-620,

M-PROD-621, M-PROD-2215, M-PROD-2217

Insured Name

Revlon nka Aventis Pharmaceuticals

Policy Nos.

XL 148331, XL 160301, XL 706578, XL 723714, XL 725150, XL

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748829, XL 770267

Date of Loss

Various

Mailing ID Reference:

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<b>ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF</b>	RECEIPT
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✓ I hereby acknowledge receipt of the July 21, 2006 Notice of Determination as a claimant. By signing this Acknowledgment of Receipt, I understand and <u>agree</u> to the content of the Notice of Determination.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the July 21, 2006 Notice of Determination as a claimant. By signing this Acknowledgment of Receipt, I understand and **object** to the content of the Notice of Determination.

I request Midland Insurance Company in Liquidation ("Midland") mail future correspondence to:

Same πame as above
New name
JASON Steinhart
Aventis Pharmacerticals, Inc.
Same address as above
New address
300 Somerset Blvd Route 202-206
300 Somerset Blvd Route 202-206 PO Box 6977 mail 6de 5C3-810A Bridgenber NJ 08807-0800
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This Acknowledgment of Receipt must be co in order to be eligible for future distributions	ompleted, signed and returned to Midland s, as directed by the Supervising Court.
Date 11/27, 2006	In State
	Claimant/Authorized For
	Claimant/Authorized For Representative Avent's Pharmary Inc.
	(PLEASE SIGN)
	JASON Strinhart, Assistant (PLEASE PRINT NAME) Cereral Counsel

## <u>AFFIDAVIT OF JASON G. STEINHART, ESQUIRE</u>

I, Jason G. Steinhart, Esquire, hereby state that I am Senior Director and Assistant General Counsel, U.S. Litigation of sanofi-aventis; that I am authorized to make this statement; and that the facts set forth herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that if any of the statements herein are willfully false, I am subject to punishment, as provided by N.J. Court Rule, 1969 R. 1:4-4.

- I am an attorney-at-law, admitted to practice in the State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. My office address is 300 Somerset Corporate Boulevard, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807-0977.
- In January 1986, the then-Rorer Group Inc. acquired Armour
   Pharmaceuticals Company from Revlon, Inc. Armour was insured for pre-acquisition
   occurrences under Revlon's insurance policies, including those issued by Midland
   Insurance Company.
- 3. All of the claims listed in the Notice of Determination addressed to me and dated July 21, 2006, are for AIDS-related claims against Armour brought by hemophiliacs or their representatives.
- 4. The Rorer Group, of which Armour was a subsidiary after its acquisition from Revlon, was itself acquired and became Rhône-Poulenc Rorer Inc. ("RPR").

  Subsequently, as a result of RPR's merger with certain other companies, the entity that owned Armour became Aventis Pharmaceuticals Inc.

5. Because of subsequent transactions, Aventis Pharmaceuticals Inc. is now part of the sanofi-aventis Group.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment, as provided by N.J. Court Rule, 1969 R. 1:4-4.

Dated: 4/2/06

# **EXHIBIT D**

At IAS Part of the Supreme
Court of the State of New York,
60 Centre Street, in the Borough
of Manhattan, City and State of
New York, on the 30° day
of 1997.

PRESERT:

HON. BEVERLY S. COHEM

JUSTICE.

----X Index No.: 41294/86

In the Matter of the Liquidation of ORDER APPROVING THE LIQUIDATOR'S PROPOSED PROCEDURE FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY

EDWARD J. MUHL. the Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York as Liquidator of MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY (the "Liquidator"), having moved this Court by Petition dated October 25th, 1996, for approval of a procedure (the "Procedure") for judicial review of recommendations for allowance of claims made in this proceeding, and it appearing from the Petition that the Procedure will best serve the interests of MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY ("MIDLAND"), its creditors, all other interested persons and that it should be approved and implemented;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The Procedure is approved.

- 2. The Court finds that the Procedure is required for the orderly administration of the MIDLAND estate. The Procedure will enable the Liquidator to dispose of claims on an ongoing basis while offering due process to all claimants who object to his recommendations.
  - 3. The Procedure is as follows:
  - a) The Liquidator shall, on a periodic basis, prepare a list of claims recommended for allowance. The Liquidator shall serve each claimant with a "Notice of Determination". Service shall be made by first class mail to claimant's last known address. The Notice of Determination shall advise each claimant that:
    - i) The claimant's claim has been recommended for allowance by the Liquidator in the amount set forth therein;
    - ii) ΙĒ claimant the accepts Liquidator's recommendation, claimant is not required to take any further action. The Liquidator will submit an ex-parte motion to this Court for an order approving recommendation for allowance in amount set forth on the Notice of Determination. The recommendation will be approved by the Court and the claimant will be entitled to share, pro-rata, in distributions of assets, if any, to be made by the Liquidator based on the amount allowed.
    - iii) If the claimant disputes the amount recommended for allowance, the claimant may object to the Notice of Determination by serving a written objection on the Liquidator. The written objection must be received by the Liquidator within sixty days of

the date of the Notice of Determination.

for which there is a timely objection to the referee appointed by order entered August 3, 1987 to hear and report on the validity of claimants' objections and that the Liquidator will notify each claimant of the time and plucu of the houring on the claimant's claim, there are time to the claim to the time and plucu of the houring on the claimant's claim, there are time to the claim to the time and claim, there are time to the claim to the time and claim.

The Liquidator shall submit an ex-parte order seventy-five days after the date of the Notice of Determination, which shall provide for the approval and confirmation of the Liquidator's recommendations for allowance with respect to each claim for which no objection is received.

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# **EXHIBIT E**



### NEW YORK LIQUIDATION BUREAU

123 William Street New York, NY 10038 - 3889 (212)341 - 6400Facsimile (212) 341 - 6263

Howard Mills Superintendent as Receiver

Francesca G. Bliss Assistant Special Deputy

Xxxxx X, 2006

## CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr(s). XXXXXXXXX [Title] [Company] [Address] [City, State, Zip]

### **NOTICE OF DETERMINATION** In the Matter of the Liquidation of Midland Insurance Company

Liquidator No(s)

Various (see below)

Insured Name

Policy No(s)

Various (see below)

Date of Loss

Various, From xx/xx/xx to xx/xx/xx

### Determination Summary

Claim No.	Claimant Number	Policy Number	Effective Dates	Liquidator Number	Allowance Amount

Claim No.	Claimant Number	Policy Number	Effective Dates	Liquidator Number	Allowance Amount

Accordingly the purpose of this letter is to provide you with a determination of all claims you have or may have against Midland.

The Liquidator has now made a Determination of all of the claims filed by you based on the policies as set forth above in accordance with the laws of the State of New York and the procedures for allowance of claim(s) approved by the Liquidation Court. Following its review of all issues, Midland has determined that the claims noted above will not impact Midland's policies and are, therefore, disallowed. This determination is based on the following:

### [Add or Delete as Necessary]

- Under the binding and applicable New York law, you have not provided sufficient documentation to support proof of any paid impairment to Midland policies.
- Your asbestos bodily injury claims do not demonstrate an impairment to Midland's policies when properly triggered and allocated pursuant to In re Liquidation of Midland Insurance Company, Claim of Lac D'Amiante Du Quebec, Ltee., A.D.2d 50, 709 N.Y.S.2d 24 (N.Y.A.D. 1st Dept. 2000) ("LAQ"), which requires a pure exposure trigger.
- You have failed to demonstrate that all other "valid and collectible" insurance has been
  exhausted prior to the claim being presented against the Midland policies (along with other
  insolvent policies) pursuant to LAQ.
- New York law does not permit the Liquidator to allow your "contingent claims" in this instance pursuant to New York Insurance Laws § 7433[c].
- Midland reserves the right to raise any other reasons in support of its denial of your claims as further defenses surface during the litigation.

### Follow these instructions:

- 1. If you wish to object to the Determination for any reason, you must serve the Liquidator with a Written Objection and request for a hearing within sixty (60) days from the date on the attached Notice of Determination. IF THE WRITTEN OBJECTION IS NOT FILED WITH THE LIQUIDATOR WITHIN THE SIXTY (60) DAY PERIOD, THE DETERMINATION ON THIS CLAIM WILL BECOME FINAL AND WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW.
- 2. You must notify the Liquidator of any changes in your mailing address. This will ensure the Liquidator has a way to reach you if it becomes necessary. Please keep the Liquidator informed of your current address. Please forward your written objection to the following address:

### Midland Insurance Company in Liquidation c/o New York Liquidation Bureau, MPH Claims Unit 123 William Street New York, NY 10038-3889

- 3. The Liquidator will refer each claim for which there is a timely objection to the referee appointed for this purpose by the Liquidator Court and will notify each claimant of the time and place of the hearing of the claimant's claim.
- 4. You should keep a copy of the Notice of Determination, Acknowledgment of Receipt and Written Objection, if any, and then mail the originals by U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. A postage paid, return envelope has been provided.

IF YOU DO NOT OBJECT IN WRITING TO THIS NOTICE OF DETERMINATION AS DESCRIBED HEREIN, IT BECOMES FINAL AND BINDING AND NOT SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW.

Sincerely yours,

Special Deputy Superintendent and Agent of Howard Mills Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York, as Liquidator of Midland Insurance Company

cc:

[Name]
[Title]
[Company]
[Address]

[City, State & Zip]

# **EXHIBIT F**

At IAS Part 31 of the Supreme
Court of the State of New York,

## 60Centre Street, in the
Borough of Manhattan, City and
State of New York, on the
day of thank, 199

PRESENT:

HON. BEVERLY 5. COHEN

JUSTICE.

-----X Index No. 41294/86

In the Matter of the Liquidation of MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY

ORDER APPROVING THE PETITIONER'S PROPOSED PROCEDURE FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THE PETITIONER'S DISALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

SALVATORE R. CURIALE, the Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York as Liquidator of MIDLAND INSUFANCE COMPANY (the "Liquidator"), having moved this Court by Petition dated () (), 1993, for approval of a Procedure (the "Procedure") for Judicial Review of the Liquidator's Recommendations for Disallowance of Claims made in this proceeding, and it appearing from the Petition that the Procedure will best serve the interests of MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY ("Midland"), its creditors, all other interested persons and that it should be approved and implemented;

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. The Procedure is Approved.
- 2. The Court finds that the Procedure is required for the orderly administration of the Midland estate. The Procedure will enable the Liquidator to dispose of claims on an ongoing basis while offering due process to all claimants who object to his recommendations.
  - 3. The Procedure is as follows:
  - a) The Liquidator shall, on a periodic basis, prepare a list of claims recommended for disallowance. The Liquidator shall serve each claimant with a "Notice of Recommendation of Disallowance". Service shall be made by first class mail to claimant's last known address. The Notice of Recommendation of Disallowance shall advise each claimant that:
    - The claimant's claim has been recommended for disallowance by the Liquidator;
    - ii) The claimant may object to the Notice of Recommendation of Disallowance by serving written objections on the Liquidator that must be received by the Liquidator within sixty days of the date of the Notice of Recommendation of Disallowance:

- iii) If the claimant fails to timely object to the Liquidator's recommendation for disallowance, the Liquidator shall submit an ex-parte motion to this Court for an order approving his recommendations of disallowance of the claimant's claim.
- iv) Each claim for which a timely objection is received will be referred to the referee appointed by the Court, pursuant to the Order dated August 3, 1987, to hear and report on the validity of the claimant's objections and that the Liquidator will notify each claimant of the time and place of the hearing on the claimant's claim.
- b) The Liquidator shall submit an ex-parte order, after seventy-five days from the date of the Notice of Recommendation of Disallowance, which shall provide for the approval and confirmation of the Liquidator's recommendations for disallowance with respect to each claim for which no objection is received.

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J. S. C.

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# **EXHIBIT G**



#### NEW YORK LIQUIDATION BUREAU

123 William Street New York, NY 10038 - 3889

Howard Mills Superintendent as Receiver

Francesca G. Bliss Assistant Special Deputy

<DATE>

<Name of Reinsurer>
Director of Claims
<Address>
<Address>
<Address>

Re:

Disputed Claim of <>

#### Dear Director of Claims:

a policyholder in the estate of Midland Insurance Company In Liquidation ("Midland"), has timely
filed an objection to the Notice of Determination for Disallowance of Claims. Enclosed is a copy of the
Notice of Determination sent to the policyholder listed above and covered by your reinsurance contract as
well as the policyholder's objections to that notice.

Pursuant to your reinsurance contract with Midland, you have a right to interpose defenses in this matter and assert any arguments or defenses you believe may apply. Your reinsurance contract(s) provides wording expressly or impliedly to the effect that:

In the event of the insolvency of the Reinsured, proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to the Reinsured ... shall be payable directly to its liquidator ... without diminution because of the insolvency. During the pendency of [a claim against the Reinsured], the Reinsurer(s) may investigate such claims and interpose, at its own expense, in the proceeding where such claim is to be adjudicated, any defense or defenses that it may deem available to the Reinsured [or] its liquidator; that the expense thus incurred by the Reinsurer shall be chargeable subject to court approval against the insolvent company as part of the expense of the liquidation to the extent of its proportionate share of the benefit which may accrue to the [Reinsured] solely as a result of the defense undertaken by the Reinsurer.

If it is your intention to formally intervene pursuant to New York Civil Practice Rules or file an amicus brief in this matter, please let me know so you can be notified of the proceedings.

Please advise if additional information is needed. I can be reached via email astuehrk@nylb.org.

Very truly yours,

C. Andrew Stuehrk Consultant

Cc: Vincent Tabone, Esq., General Counsel, NYLB James C. Owen, Esq., Outside Counsel

### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

of di	The undersigned hereby certifies that on the day of, 200, this notice sputed claim and right to intervene was sent via first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:
	Reinsurer
	♦
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	Midland's Attorney
	<b>.</b>
	$\Leftrightarrow$
	Midland
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# **EXHIBIT H**



Howard Mills Superintendent as Receiver

Francesca Bliss Special Deputy Superintendent

### NEW YORK LIQUIDATION BUREAU

123 William Street
New York, NY 10038 - 3889
(212) 341 - 6400
Facsimile (212) 608 - 3398

<DATE>

Name of Reinsurer/Contact Address

Re: Claim of ⇔

Dear ♦:

The claims of  $\Leftrightarrow$ , a policyholder in the estate of Midland Insurance Company in Liquidation ("Midland"), have been disallowed without objection. Midland has, therefore closed its file on this policyholder and reduced all reserves to zero.

Please call the undersigned if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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In the Matter of t	he Liquidation of ANCE COMPANY	Index No. 41294/86
		Assigned to: Hon. Michael Stallman I.A.S. Part 7 X
	VIT OF DIANE BANKS IRANCE COMPANY'S	IN SUPPORT OF SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF
Atto	JAMES C. OWEN, E	SQ. nce as Liquidator
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF N COUNTY OF NEW YORK	NEW YORK
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In the Matter of the Liquidation of 41294/86	Index No.
MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY	Affidavit
	Assigned to: Hon. Michael Stallman I.A.S. Part 7 X
AFFIDAVIT OF DIANE L. BANKS IN INSURANCE COMPANY'S SUI	· · · · · ·
State of New York )	
County of New York )	

Diane L. Banks, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I, Diane L. Banks, am Assistant Director of the Reinsurance and Estate Management Division at the New York Liquidation Bureau (the "Bureau") and I am fully familiar with the facts set forth herein. The Bureau is the entity which carries out the duties of the Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York as Liquidator of Midland Insurance Company (the "Liquidator").
- 2. I am currently responsible for the collection of paid loss balances involving claims ceded to Everest Reinsurance Company ("Everest Re") by Midland Insurance Company ("Midland").

- 3. I respectfully submit this affidavit in support of Midland's Supplemental Brief in response to the Receivership Court's November 8, 2006 Interim Order.
- 4. On November 23, 2004 representatives of Midland met with representatives of Everest Re at the offices of Everest Re to discuss the method by which to resolve the balances between the parties. Midland again made it clear that its records were open and available for audit.
- 5. In the ensuing months, attempts were made by Midland to collect on past-due balances and to work out a premium offset on those balances. As a result, Everest made partial payments on those balances. There was also significant activity on some of the largest major policyholder accounts in the receivership most of which had an impact on Everest, which caused the parties to meet again.
- 6. At no time has Everest Re been denied access to Midland's records. The only issue has been the scheduling reasonableness of Everest Re's requests. Midland and Everest Re have agreed on audit dates for the weeks of December 11, 2006, December 18, 2006 and January, 8 2007. The Liquidator is prepared to make more dates available.
- 7. I understand that notice must be sent pursuant to the November 8, 2006 Interim Order. In preparing the list for the notice to be mailed to Midland's reinsurers, I found that the number of reinsurers is over 400, although that current number includes commuted companies and some combined companies.

Assistant Director of the Reinsurance and Estate Management Division Midland Insurance Co. in Liquidation New York Liquidation Bureau 123 William St. New York, New York 10038

Sworn to before me this 5th day of December, 2006

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Notary Public My Commission Expires: Rotary 1° diles (2008)

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COUNTY OF NEW YORK	. 0.0.
In the Matter of the Liquidation of	
MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY	Index No. 41294/86 Affidavit
	Assigned to: Hon. Michael Stallman I.A.S. Part 7
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## AFFIDAVIT OF ANDREW STUEHRK IN SUPPORT OF MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF

State of New York	)
	) ss
County of New York	)

Andrew Stuehrk, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I, Andrew Stuehrk, am employed by Navigant Consulting Inc., a consultant for the Midland estate at the New York Liquidation Bureau (the "Bureau") and I am fully familiar with the facts set forth herein. The Bureau is the entity which carries out the duties of the Superintendent of Insurance of the State of New York as Liquidator of Midland Insurance Company (the "Liquidator").
- 2. I currently assist the Reinsurance Department in the collection and commutation of reinsurance balances, including claims ceded to Everest Reinsurance Company ("Everest Re") by Midland Insurance Company ("Midland").

- 3. I respectfully submit this affidavit in support of Midland's Supplemental Brief in response to the Receivership Court's November 8, 2006 Interim Order.
- 4. In my capacity working with the reinsurance department of the Bureau, I have worked with representatives of Everest Re in regard to several issues concerning the collection of Midland's paid loss balances which are ceded to Everest Re.
- 5. In 2004, Midland reviewed a great number of the open major policyholder claims and prepared comprehensive "Captioned Reports" that summarized the facts of each of those policyholder claims. The reports contained an evaluation (including a recommended allowance and/or case reserve) based on the information then available and outlined a strategy for bringing each claim to a conclusion. The reports were sent to reinsurers, including Everest Re, Swiss Re and American Centennial shortly after they were completed, giving the reinsurers ample time to provide any input they felt would be useful in bringing the claims to a conclusion. The reinsurers also had the right and ability to audit the files of Midland, as have many reinsurers of Midland since that time. In fact, over the past two years, other reinsurers have audited the files and commuted (settled) the major policyholder paid, case reserves and IBNR claims balances with Midland based on those audits.
- 6. In May 2006, Everest Re reviewed the claims files on the proposed allowances, including Bayer, Pfizer and 3M. Everest Re's attorneys met with

representatives of Midland to discuss the basis for these allowances and the issues that Everest Re had with the same. Everest's representatives returned for another more extensive audit in June 2006, including the Revlon and Baxter files.

Andrew Stuehrk

Navigant Consulting Inc.

c/o Midland Insurance Co. in Liquidation

New York Liquidation Bureau

123 William St.

New York, New York 10038

Sworn to before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006

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Notary Public

AETHUR W. HOROWITZ Matery Public, State of New York No. 24-1880300 Cueffield in Richmond County

Typed Name of Notary Public