

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

In the Matter of)	
)	
West McLean County Farmers)	CONSENT ORDER
Mutual Insurance Company,)	
FEIN 450278442,)	CASE NO. CO-11-328
)	
Respondent .)	

North Dakota Insurance Commissioner Adam Hamm (Commissioner) has determined as follows:

1. The Commissioner has authority in this matter pursuant to N.D.C.C. Title 26.1.
2. West Mclean County Farmers Mutual Insurance Company, FEIN 450278442 (Respondent), is a county mutual insurance company authorized to do business in North Dakota.
3. The Commissioner has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this Consent Order and this Order is made in the public interest.
4. According to information received by the North Dakota Insurance Department, during the time period of January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010, Respondent insured property beyond its authorized territory of operation. Respondent's conduct of accepting applications and premium payments and insuring property outside its territory constitute violations of N.D.C.C. § 26.1-13-15. For this violation, Respondent may be subjected to an administrative penalty of up to \$10,000 pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 26.1-01-03.3.
5. According to information received by the North Dakota Insurance Department, during the time period of January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010, Respondent insured commercial properties inside the platted limits of an incorporated city. Respondent's conduct

of accepting applications and premium payments and insuring 11 commercial properties inside the platted limits of incorporated cities constitute violations of N.D.C.C. § 26.1-13-15. For this violation, Respondent may be subjected to an administrative penalty of up to \$10,000 pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 26.1-01-03.3.

6. Respondent has agreed to an informal disposition of this matter, without a hearing, as provided under N.D.C.C. § 28-32-22.

7. For purposes of resolving this matter, without further administrative proceedings, Respondent and Commissioner have agreed to enter into the following Order:

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent is assessed a fine in the amount of \$10,000 which shall be paid within 15 days of the execution of this Order.
2. The use of this Consent Order for competitive purposes by an insurance producer holding a license in the State of North Dakota or by any company holding a Certificate of Authority, or by anyone on their behalf, may be deemed unfair competition and grounds for suspension or revocation of said license or authority.

DATED this 20th day of April, 2012.



Adam Hamm
Commissioner
N.D. Insurance Department
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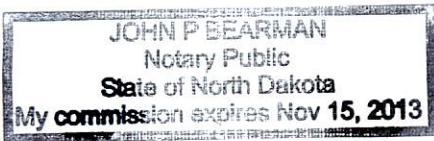
CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER

Debra Keller, on behalf of **West McLean County Farmers Mutual**

Insurance Company, states that he has read this Consent Order, knows and fully understands the contents and effects; that he has been advised of the right to be represented

by legal counsel; the right to a hearing in this matter, the right to present evidence and arguments to the Commissioner; and the right to appeal from an adverse determination after hearing; and that by signing this Consent Order, those rights are waived in their entirety. By signing this document, West McLean County Farmers Mutual Insurance Company consents to the entry of this Order by the Insurance Commissioner. It is further expressly understood that this Order constitutes the entire settlement between the parties; there being no other promises or agreements, either expressed or implied.

DATED this 13th day of April, 2012.



West McLean County Farmers Mutual Insurance Company

By: Debra Keller

Debra Keller
(Print Name)

General Manager and Secretary/
Treasurer
(Title)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of April, 2012.

John P. Bearman
Notary Public

County of WARD
State of North Dakota

My commission expires: 11/15/2013