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BINDING CORPORATE RULES:

**APPENDIX 5** 

AUDIT PROTOCOL (PROCESSOR)

## 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Reinsurance Group of America Inc.'s ("RGA") "Binding Corporate Rules: Controller Policy" and "Binding Corporate Rules: Processor Policy" (together the "Policies" or, respectively, the "Controller Policy" and the "Processor Policy") safeguard Personal Information transferred between the RGA group members ("Group Members").
- 1.2 RGA must audit its compliance with the Policies on a regular basis, and the purpose of this document is to describe how and when RGA will perform such audits.
- 1.3 The role of RGA's Data Protection Team is to provide guidance about the Processing of Personal Information subject to the Policies and to assess the Processing of Personal Information by Group Members for potential privacy-related risks. The Processing of Personal Information with the potential for a significant privacy impact is, therefore, subject to detailed review and evaluation on an on-going basis. Accordingly, although this Audit Protocol (Processor) describes the formal assessment process adopted by RGA to ensure compliance with the Processor Policy as required by the data protection authorities, this is only one way in which RGA ensures that the provisions of the Processor Policy are observed and corrective actions taken as required.

# 2 APPROACH

### Overview of audit

- 2.1 Compliance with the Policies is overseen on a day to day basis by RGA's Data Protection Team. RGA's Global Audit Team is responsible for performing and/or overseeing independent audits of compliance with the Policies and ensures that such audits address all aspects of the Policies. RGA's Global Audit Team is responsible for ensuring that any issues or instances of noncompliance arising from audit and assurance activity are brought to the attention of RGA's Data Protection Team and RGA's Chief Privacy Officer and relevant senior executives and that any corrective actions are determined and implemented within a reasonable time.
- 2.2 Where RGA acts as a Processor, the Controller (or auditors acting on its behalf) may audit RGA for compliance with the commitments made in the Processor Policy and may extend such audits to any sub-processors acting on RGA's behalf in respect of such Processing, in accordance with the terms of the Controller's contract with RGA.

### Frequency of audit

- 2.3 Audits of compliance with the Processor Policy are conducted:
  - 2.3.1 at least annually in accordance with RGA's audit procedures; and/or
  - 2.3.2 at the request of RGA's Chief Privacy Officer and / or the Board of Directors; and/or
  - 2.3.3 as determined necessary by RGA's Data Protection Team (for example, in response to a specific incident); and/or
  - 2.3.4 (with respect to audits of the Processor Policy), as required by the terms of the Controller's contract with RGA.

### Scope of audit

2.4 RGA's Global Audit Team will conduct a risk-based analysis to determine the scope of an audit, which will consider relevant criteria, such as: areas of current regulatory focus; areas of specific or new risk for the business; areas with changes to the systems or Processes used to safeguard

information; areas where there have been previous audit findings or complaints; the period since the last review; and the nature and location of the Personal Information Processed.

2.5 In the event that a Controller exercises its right to audit RGA for compliance with the Processor Policy, the scope of the audit shall be limited to the data processing facilities, data files and documentation relating to that Controller. RGA will not provide a Controller with access to systems that Process Personal Information of another Controller.

Auditors

- 2.6 Audit of the Policies (including any related procedures and controls) will be undertaken by RGA's Global Audit Team. In addition, RGA may appoint independent and experienced professional auditors acting under a duty of confidence as necessary to perform audits of the Policies (including any related procedures and controls) relating to data privacy.
- 2.7 In the event that a Controller exercises its right to audit RGA for compliance with the Processor Policy, such audit may be undertaken by that Controller, or by independent and suitably experienced auditors selected by that Controller, as required by the terms of the Controller's contract with RGA.
- 2.8 In addition, RGA agrees that European data protection authorities may audit Group Members for reviewing compliance with the Policies (including any related procedures and controls) in accordance with the terms of the Cooperation Procedure (Procedure).

#### Reporting

- 2.9 Data privacy audit reports are submitted to RGA's Chief Privacy Officer, European Data Protection Officer and to the Board of Directors.
- 2.10 Upon request and subject to applicable law, RGA will:
  - 2.10.1 provide copies of the results of data privacy audits of the Policies (including any related procedures and controls) to a competent European data protection authority; and
  - 2.10.2 to the extent that an audit relates to Personal Information RGA Processes on behalf of a Controller, report the results of any audit of compliance with the Processor Policy to that Controller.
- 2.11 RGA's Data Protection Team is responsible for liaising with the European data protection authorities for the purpose of providing the information outlined in section 2.10.