

July 17, 2020



**State Farm Claims** P.O. Box 52250 Phoenix AZ 85072-2250

RE: Claim Number:

> Date of Loss: Our Insured:

Policy Number:

Dear

We are in receipt of your email dated 07/16/2020 where you indicate you want to exercise your 'Right of Appraisal'.

Under policy form 9630SA, the appraisal clause you are referring to is not for 'repairable' vehicles but for vehicles that are determined to be a total loss.

June 3, 2020

I have attached a copy of the policy language where it discusses this. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



State Farm Indemnity Company

Enclosure(s): Policy wording

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drive it to either the original destination or *your* home if the vehicle was left behind for repairs.

These expenses must be reported to *us* before *we* will pay such incurred expenses.

## c. Rental Car – Repayment of Deductible Expense

We will pay the comprehensive deductible or collision deductible an *insured* is required to pay the owner of a *car* rented from a *car business*.

## Supplementary Payments – Comprehensive Coverage and Collision Coverage

If the *covered vehicle* sustains *loss* for which *we* make a payment under Comprehensive Coverage or Collision Coverage, then *we* will pay reasonable expenses incurred to:

- tow the covered vehicle immediately after the loss:
  - a. for a reasonable distance from the location of the *loss* to any one repair facility chosen by an *insured* or the owner of the *covered vehicle*, if the *covered vehicle* is not drivable; or
  - b. to any one repair facility or commercial storage facility, neither of which was chosen by an *insured* or the owner of the *covered vehicle*. We will also pay reasonable expenses incurred to tow the *covered vehicle* for a reasonable distance from this facility to any one repair facility chosen by an *insured* or the owner of the *covered vehicle*, if the *covered vehicle* is not drivable;
- 2. store the *covered vehicle*, if it is not drivable immediately after the *loss*, at:
  - any one repair facility or commercial storage facility, neither of which was chosen by an *insured* or the owner of the *covered vehicle*; and
  - b. any one repair facility chosen by the owner of the *covered vehicle*, and *we* determine such vehicle is a total loss.

If the owner of the *covered vehicle* consents, then *we* may move the *covered vehicle* at *our* expense to reduce storage costs. If the owner of the *covered vehicle* does not consent, then *we* will pay only the storage costs that would have resulted if *we* had moved the damaged *covered vehicle*; and

3. clean up debris from the *covered vehicle* at the location of the *loss*. The most *we* will pay to clean up the debris is \$250 for any one *loss*.

## Limits and Loss Settlement – Comprehensive Coverage and Collision Coverage

- 1. We have the right to choose to settle with you or the owner of the covered vehicle in one of the following ways:
  - a. Pay the cost to repair the *covered vehi- cle* minus any applicable deductible.
    - (1) **We** have the right to choose one of the following to determine the cost to repair the **covered vehicle**:
      - (a) The cost agreed to by both the owner of the *covered vehicle* and *us*;
      - (b) A bid or repair estimate approved by **us**; or
      - (c) A repair estimate that is written based upon or adjusted to:
        - (i) the prevailing competitive price;
        - (ii) the lower of paintless dent repair pricing established by an agreement we have with a third party or the paintless dent repair price that is competitive in the market; or
        - (iii) a combination of (i) and (ii) above.

The prevailing competitive price means prices charged by a majority of the repair market in the area where the *covered vehicle* is to be repaired as determined by a survey made by

us. If asked, we will identify some facilities that will perform the repairs at the prevailing competitive price. The estimate will include parts sufficient to restore the covered vehicle to its pre-loss condition.

**You** agree with **us** that the repair estimate may include new, used, recycled, and reconditioned parts. Any of these parts may be either original equipment manufacturer parts or non-original equipment manufacturer parts.

**You** also agree that replacement glass need not have any insignia, logo, trademark, etching, or other marking that was on the replaced glass.

- (2) The cost to repair the *covered vehicle* does not include any reduction in the value of the *covered vehicle* after it has been repaired, as compared to its value before it was damaged.
- (3) If the repair or replacement of a part results in betterment of that part, then *you* or the owner of the *covered vehicle* must pay for the amount of the betterment.
- (4) If **you** and **we** agree, then windshield glass will be repaired instead of replaced;
- b. Pay the actual cash value of the *covered vehicle* minus any applicable deductible.
  - (1) The owner of the *covered vehicle* and *we* must agree upon the actual cash value of the *covered vehicle*. If there is disagreement as to the actual cash value of the *covered vehicle*, then the disagreement will be resolved by appraisal upon written request of the owner or *us*, using the following procedures:
    - (a) The owner and **we** will each select a competent appraiser.

- (b) The two appraisers will select a third competent appraiser. If they are unable to agree on a third appraiser within 30 days, then either the owner or we may petition a court that has jurisdiction to select the third appraiser.
- (c) Each party will pay the cost of its own appraiser, attorneys, and expert witnesses, as well as any other expenses incurred by that party. Both parties will share equally the cost of the third appraiser.
- (d) The appraisers shall only determine the actual cash value of the covered vehicle. Appraisers shall have no authority to decide any other questions of fact, decide any questions of law, or conduct appraisal on a class-wide or class-representative basis.
- (e) A written appraisal that is both agreed upon by and signed by any two appraisers, and that also contains an explanation of how they arrived at their appraisal, will be binding on the owner of the *covered vehicle* and *us*.
- (f) **We** do not waive any of **our** rights by submitting to an appraisal.
- (2) The damaged *covered vehicle* must be given to *us* in exchange for *our* payment, unless *we* agree that the owner may keep it. If the owner keeps the *covered vehicle*, then *our* payment will be reduced by the value of the *covered vehicle* after the *loss*; or
- e. Return the stolen *covered vehicle* to its owner and pay, as described in 1.a. above, for any direct, sudden, and accidental damage that resulted from the theft.