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Attachment Two
Property and Casualty Insurance (C) Committee
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\$29
Billion

Windfall
Deserved More
Regulatory Attention
as Americans Struggled with
the Pandemic

How much should auto insurance cost when rush hour looks like this?



2020 Auto Premiums Remained Stable...

Premiums Earned After Refunds* \$ Billions

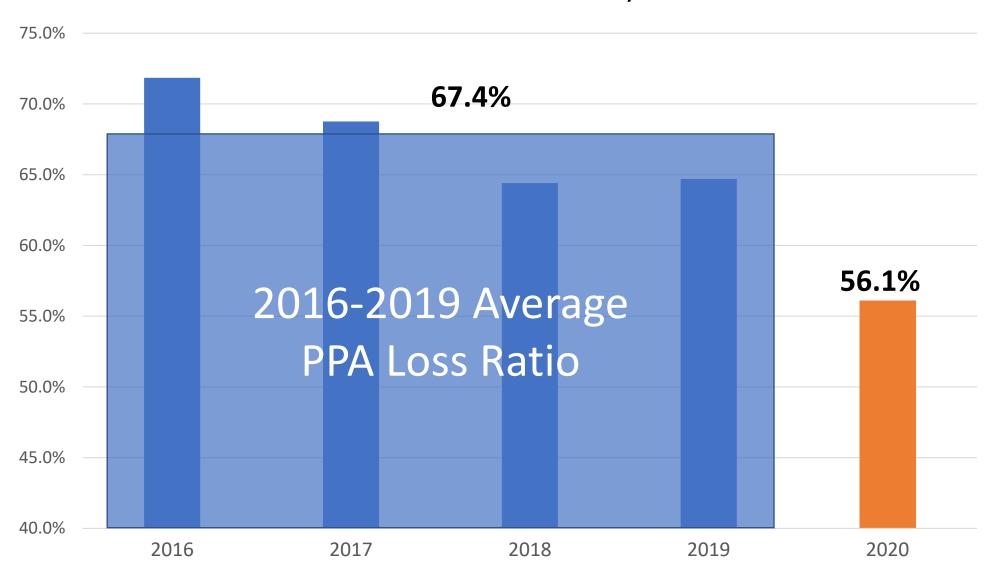
...While Losses Fell Dramatically



Source: NAIC State Page PPA

^{*}Does not include approximately \$5 billion in refunds provided as dividends or counted as expenses

2020 Countrywide Auto Insurance Loss Ratio Was Historically Low







PROGRESSIVE REPORTS AUGUST RESULTS

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OHIO -- September 17, 2020 -- The Progressive Corporation (NYSE:PGR) today reported the following results for August 2020:

Monthly Commentary

• Excluding the impact of catastrophe losses in both August 2020 and 2019, our companywide loss/LAE ratio was 5.7 points lower than August last year, reflecting continued lower auto accident frequency on a year-over-year basis due to restrictions put in place to help slow and/or stop the spread of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19.

State Farm®

State Farm Mutual is issuing a

\$400M dividend



\$100 on average per auto policy*



Better than anticipated claim results
June 2020 thru December 2020

April 20, 2021

P/C Insurers Return Nearly \$13 Billion in Premiums as COVID-19 Reduces Exposure

Returns, by Classification

Pandemic reduces traffic, accidents, and auto claims US property/casualty insurers reported returned premiums of over \$12.9 billion associated with reduced exposures resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. We reviewed 2020 statutory statement and related footnote disclosures for

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Exhibit 1
US Property/Casualty – COVID-Related Premium

Number of % of Amount Companies (\$ millions) Total Decline in premium income 61.6 305 7,949.1 Other underwriting expense 58 1,226.9 9.5 Policyholder dividends 38 3,733.7 28.9 Premium balances charged off 4 4.6 0.0 100.0 Totals for year ended December 31, 2020 397* 12,914.3 Totals for 6 months ended June 30, 2020 100.0 305 8,321.6

^{*} Eight companies reported using two different methods to return premiums. Source: AM Best data and research

The Pandemic Produced a Massive Windfall for Auto Insurers

By The Numbers



State Farm

GEICO

128%

\$3.4 Billion

\$4.50/share \$2.6 Billion

\$338 Million

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Progressive

Allstate

\$.81/share

\$4 Billion \$300 Million

And now...

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES INSURANCE COMPANY GEICO GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Voluntary Private Passenger Automobile Insurance and Recreational Vehicle Insurance

Louisiana

Filing Memorandum

Government Employees Insurance Company (GEICO) hereby submits a +9.4% overall rate change in voluntary automobile insurance rates, as shown on Exhibit GE-1, Sheet 1. The submitted changes vary by coverage.

The statewide experience indications are developed on Exhibit GE-1, Sheets 2-5, using three fiscal/accident years of data ending Sentember 30, 2020 evaluated as of December 31, 2020. Assumptions Therefore, the actual loss experience in 2020 is not indicative of what we expect to see in Louisiana by the effective date of this filing. Adjusting 2020 losses up to pre-COVID levels produces indications that are actuarially sound and representative of our rate need during this future time period.

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We are adjusting our losses in a two-step process:

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Additional Premium That Should Have Been Refunded \$29.2 Billion (\$130/Insured Vehicle)





2020 Premium Reported by Insurers	\$250.63
2020 Premium Relief Accounted for as Reduction in Premium	\$7.90
Total 2020 Premium Before Relief	\$258.58
2016-2019 Personal Auto Average Loss Ratio	67.40%
Expected 2020 Claims	\$174.20
Actual 2020 Claims	\$140.60
Actual 2020 Loss Ratio	56.10%
Estimated Claims Reduction Resulting from Pandemic	\$33.60
Reasonable 2020 Premium Based on 2020 Claims	\$216.40
Excessive Premium	\$42.10
"Premium Relief" Provided	\$12.90
Windfall Profit	\$29.20
Estimated 2020 Insured Vehicles (Millions)	225
Windfall Profit / Insured Vehicle (\$)	\$130

Billions except where noted



THANK YOU.

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