

## DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

P.O. Box 690, Jefferson City, Mo. 65102-0690

## TRACKING ID 207265

## IN RE: LEWIS WATKINS FARMER AGENCY, INC. P. O. BOX 9369 AUSTIN, TX 78766

## VOLUNTARY FORFEITURE AGREEMENT

It is hereby agreed by LEWIS WATKINS FARMER AGENCY, INC. and the Consumer Affairs Division of the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, as follows:

WHEREAS, John M. Huff, is the duly appointed Director of the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, State of Missouri (hereinafter, "Director" of the "Department"), whose duties, pursuant to Chapters 374 and 375, RSMo, include the supervision and regulation of the business of insurance;

WHEREAS, the Consumer Affairs Division of the Department is charged with investigating producers and companies engaged in the business of insurance pursuant to Sections 374.085 and 374.190, RSMo and is authorized by the Director to recommend enforcement action under the laws relating to insurance;

WHEREAS, LEWIS WATKINS FARMER AGENCY, INC. ("Watkins") is

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currently licensed as a business entity producer by the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, pursuant to Chapter 375, RSMo;

WHEREAS, the Consumer Affairs Division has received information concerning, Watkins' failure to provide an adequate and timely response, made a misstatement on its renewal application regarding an unreported administrative action, all of which are violations of Section 374.210(1) RSMo (Supp. 2012) and 20 CSR 100-4.100. Watkins is subject to enforcement action by the Director.

WHEREAS, Watkins has been informed of its right to contest any attempt by the Department to discipline its insurance producer license, and states that it understands its rights to contest any such actions;

AND WHEREAS, Watkins, acknowledges and admits for purposes of this Agreement and for purposes of any future action by the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division based on any additional violation of the insurance laws or regulations by Watkins, in which action the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division alleges that the violations described herein form part of a course of conduct, a business practice, or other such series of similar violations, or that future violations by Watkins are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law, by failing to provide an adequate and timely response, by making a misstatement on its renewal application regarding an unreported administrative action and that such conduct violated of Section 374.210.1(1) RSMo (Supp. 2012) and 20 CSR 100-4.100.

NOW, THEREFORE, in lieu of any recommendation or initiation by the Consumer Affairs Division of any action based on the violations cited in this Agreement, and after being afforded the opportunity to consult legal counsel, Watkins does hereby

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voluntarily and knowingly surrender and forfeit the sum of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00), such sum to be paid into the State School Moneys Fund pursuant to Sections 374.046 and 374.280, RSMo.

Watkins shall submit this sum to the Department by cashier's check or money order made payable to the State School Moneys Fund no later than January 29, 2014.

The parties agree that, should the Director or the Division in the future allege an additional violation of the insurance laws or regulations by Watkins, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Director or the Consumer Affairs Division from introducing Watkins's admissions contained in this Agreement as evidence that the acts described herein form part of a course of conduct, a business practice, or other such series of similar violations, or for purposes of showing that such later alleged acts are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law.

DATED: 2-20-14

Patrick L. Watkins, President LEWIS WATKINS FARMER AGENCY, INC. License No. 8017330

DATED: 3.3.14

Matt Barton, Director Consumer Affairs Division

DATED: 3.3.14 John M. Huff. Director

Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration

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