

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. A.I. 4 (2009)

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Automobile*
2 *Insurance Act*, RSNL 1990, c. A-22, as
3 amended (the “*Act*”);

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5 **AND**

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7 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
8 The Sovereign General Insurance Company
9 (“Sovereign”) to adopt the rates and rating
10 program of Canadian Union Insurance Company
11 (“Canadian Union”) for its miscellaneous
12 vehicles class of business.

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15 **WHEREAS** on April 22, 2009 Sovereign applied to the Board to adopt the rates and rating
16 program of Canadian Union for its miscellaneous class of business; and

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18 **WHEREAS** Sovereign and Canadian Union are member companies of Co-operators Group
19 Limited; and

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21 **WHEREAS** Sovereign writes principally commercial automobile insurance in the Province
22 and writes a small amount of miscellaneous vehicle insurance to accommodate its
23 commercial clients; and

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25 **WHEREAS** in 2008 Sovereign wrote three miscellaneous vehicles in the Province with a
26 total written premium of \$859; and

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28 **WHEREAS** Canadian Union is principally a writer of private passenger automobile
29 insurance in the Province; and

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31 **WHEREAS** Sovereign has, with Board approval, utilized the private passenger rating
32 program of Canadian Union since 2003; and

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34 **WHEREAS** Sovereign’s miscellaneous vehicles experience in the Province is insufficient to
35 provide an actuarially justified rate filing; and

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37 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that the use by Sovereign of Canadian Union’s
38 miscellaneous vehicles rating program is appropriate under the circumstances.

1 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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1. The proposed rates and rating program for the miscellaneous class of business of The Sovereign General Insurance Company is approved with effect from July 1, 2009.

Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 4th day of May 2009.

Andy Wells
Chair & Chief Executive Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.
Vice-Chair

Dwanda Newman, LL.B.
Commissioner

Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary