# **REPORT ON EXAMINATION**

OF

# ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

## <u>AS OF</u>

DECEMBER 31, 2016

DATE OF REPORT

APRIL 13, 2018

**EXAMINER** 

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# NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT*of* FINANCIAL SERVICES

Andrew M. Cuomo Governor Maria T. Vullo Superintendent

April 13, 2018

Honorable Maria T. Vullo Superintendent New York State Department of Financial Services Albany, New York 12257

Madam:

Pursuant to the requirements of the New York Insurance Law, and in compliance with the instructions contained in Appointment Number 31665 dated August 22, 2017, attached hereto, I have made an examination into the condition and affairs of Atlanta International Insurance Company as of December 31, 2016, and submit the following report thereon.

Wherever the designation "the Company" appears herein without qualification, it should be understood to indicate Atlanta International Insurance Company.

Wherever the term "Department" appears herein without qualification, it should be understood to mean the New York State Department of Financial Services.

The examination was conducted at the Company's administrative office located at 100 First Stamford Place, Stamford, CT 06902.

#### 1. SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

The Department has performed an examination of the Company, a multi-state insurer. The previous examination was conducted as of December 31, 2011. This examination covered the five-year period from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2016. Transactions occurring subsequent to this period were reviewed where deemed appropriate by the examiner.

This examination was conducted in accordance with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners ("NAIC") Financial Condition Examiners Handbook ("Handbook"), which requires that we plan and perform the examination to evaluate the financial condition and identify current and prospective risks of the Company by obtaining information about the Company including corporate governance, identifying and assessing inherent risks within the Company and evaluating system controls and procedures used to mitigate those risks. This examination also includes assessing the principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation, management's compliance with New York Laws, statutory accounting principles, and annual statement instructions.

This examination report includes, but is not limited to, the following:

Company history Management and control Territory and plan of operation Holding company description Reinsurance Loss review and analysis Financial statement presentation Significant subsequent events Summary of recommendations

A review was also made to ascertain what action was taken by the Company with regard to comments and recommendations contained in the prior report on examination.

This report on examination is confined to financial statements and comments on those matters that involve departures from laws, regulations or rules, or that are deemed to require explanation or description.

### 2. <u>DESCRIPTION OF COMPANY</u>

Atlanta International Insurance Company was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York on January 21, 1929. It became licensed and commenced business on January 22, 1929. Operations of the Company were conducted under the title Seaboard Fire and Marine Insurance Company of New York from organization until October 1, 1975, and as Drake Insurance Company of New York from that date until January 1, 1980 when the name Atlanta International Insurance Company was adopted.

The Company ceased its underwriting operations in March 1985, and since that time, management has directed the run-off of the Company's inventory of claims.

Effective August 7, 2009, all the outstanding shares of common stock of the Company were acquired by National Indemnity Company ("NICO"), a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., from Aon Services Group, Inc., as subsidiary of Aon Corporation ("Aon").

On January 1, 2017, NICO sold all the common shares of the Company to Columbia Insurance Company ("Columbia"), an affiliate. Immediately after the purchase, Columbia contributed all the common shares of the Company to its affiliate MedPro Group, Inc.

#### A. <u>Corporate Governance</u>

Pursuant to the Company's charter and by-laws, management of the Company is vested in a board of directors consisting of not less than seven nor more than twenty-one members. The board meets at least once during each calendar year. At December 31, 2016, the board of directors was comprised of the following seven members:

Name and Residence	Principal Business Affiliation
Brian Gerard Snover	Senior Vice President & General Counsel,
Stamford, CT	Berkshire Hathaway Reinsurance Division
Kevin Donald Lewis	Vice President,
Westport, CT	National Indemnity Company
Dale David Geistkemper	Treasurer & Controller,
Omaha, NE	National Indemnity Company
Bruce John Byrnes	Vice President & Senior Counsel,
New City, NY	Berkshire Hathaway Reinsurance Division

Name and Residence	Principal Business Affiliation
John Duane Arendt	Vice President,
Stamford, CT	Berkshire Hathaway Reinsurance Division
Raj Ramesh Mehta	Vice President,
Stamford, CT	National Indemnity Company
Carmel Mary O'Sullivan	Vice President & Controller,
New York, NY	Resolute Management, Inc.

As of December 31, 2016, the principal officers of the Company were as follows:

Name	<u>Title</u>
Raj Ramesh Mehta	President
Bruce John Byrnes	Vice President & Secretary
Dale David Geistkemper	Treasurer
Carmel Mary O'Sullivan	Controller

### B. <u>Territory and Plan of Operation</u>

As of December 31, 2016, the Company was licensed to write business in forty-seven states as listed in Schedule T of the annual statement.

As of the examination date, the Company was authorized to transact the kinds of insurance as defined in the following numbered paragraphs of Section 1113(a) of the New York Insurance Law:

<u>Paragraph</u>	Line of Business
3	Accident & health
4	Fire
5	Miscellaneous property
6	Water damage
7	Burglary and theft
8	Glass
9	Boiler and machinery
10	Elevator
11	Animal
12	Collision
13	Personal injury liability
14	Property damage liability
15	Workers' compensation and employers' liability
16	Fidelity and surety
17	Credit
19	Motor vehicle and aircraft physical damage
20	Marine and inland marine
21	Marine protection and indemnity

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Based upon the lines of business for which the Company is licensed and the Company's current capital structure, and pursuant to the requirements of Articles 13 and 41 of the New York Insurance Law, the Company is required to maintain a minimum surplus to policyholders in the amount of \$2,200,000.

#### C. <u>Reinsurance Ceded</u>

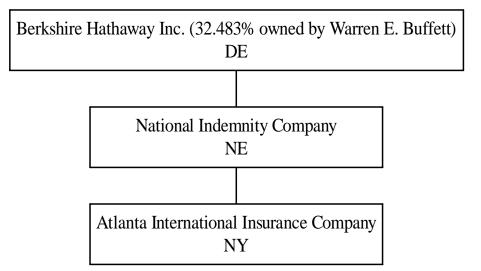
Effective March 1985, the Company voluntarily ceased writing new and renewal business. Prior to that date, the Company wrote multiple line property and casualty reinsurance covers. Effective December 31, 2016, through a 100% quota share reinsurance agreement, the Company ceded its gross policy liabilities for policies incepting prior to the effective date to Finial Reinsurance Company ("Finial"), a Connecticut affiliate. The Company simultaneously assigned the rights to its reinsurance to Finial. At December 31, 2016 the Company recorded a premium payable due Finial of \$17,458,000 which was equal to the net loss and loss adjustment expense reserves ceded.

The quota share reinsurance agreement with Finial was reviewed for compliance with Article 15 of the New York Insurance Law. It is noted that the affiliated reinsurance agreement was filed with the Department pursuant to the provisions of Section 1505(d)(2) of the New York Insurance Law.

#### D. <u>Holding Company System</u>

The Company is a member of the Berkshire Hathaway Group. The Company is 100% owned by National Indemnity Company, a Nebraska domiciled Company, which is ultimately controlled by Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (32.483% owned by Warren E. Buffett).

A review of the Holding Company Registration Statements filed with this Department indicated that such filings were complete and were filed in a timely manner pursuant to Article 15 of the New York Insurance Law and Department Regulation 52.



The following is an abridged chart of the holding company system at December 31, 2016:

### Holding Company Agreements

At December 31, 2016, the Company was party to the following agreements with other members of its holding company system:

#### Tax Allocation Agreement

Effective August 8, 2009, the Company entered into a tax allocation agreement with various affiliates and its ultimate parent, Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, the parties will file consolidated federal income tax returns. Said agreement stipulates that the Company's tax liability on a consolidated basis will not exceed the Company's liability had the Company filed its tax return on a standalone basis.

National Indemnity Company ("NICO") filed the agreement with the Department as part of its application for acquisition of control of the Company pursuant to Section 1506 of the New York Insurance Law.

#### Investment Services Agreement

Effective September 1, 2009, the Company and NICO entered into an investment services agreement. Pursuant to the agreement, NICO will act as the Company's investment manager.

The agreement was filed with the Department as part of NICO's application for acquisition of control of the Company, pursuant to Section 1506 of the New York Insurance Law.

Effective August 2, 2009, the Company and FlightSafety International ("FlightSafety") entered into an intercompany services agreement. Pursuant to the agreement, FlightSafety may perform certain administrative and special services for AIIC and make available for AIIC certain property, equipment and facilities.

Effective September 28, 2009, the Company, NICO and National Liability & Fire Insurance Company ("NL&F") entered into an intercompany service agreement. Pursuant to the agreement, both NICO and NL&F agree to perform certain administrative, claims handling and other services on behalf of the Company and make available certain property, equipment and facilities.

The agreement was filed with the Department as part of NICO's application for acquisition of control of the Company, pursuant to Section 1506 of the New York Insurance Law.

#### Inter-Company Service Agreement

Effective October 30, 2014, the Company and Resolute Management, Inc. ("Resolute") entered into an intercompany service agreement. Pursuant to the agreement, Resolute will provide certain administrative and special services to the Company and make available certain property, equipment and facilities.

The Agreement was submitted and non-disapproved by the Department on October 30, 2014.

#### Administrative Services Agreement

Effective December 8, 2016, the Company and Consolidated Health Plans, Inc. ("CHP") entered into an Administrative Services Agreement. Pursuant to the agreement, CHP will provide certain administrative and claims handling services to the Company.

The Department non-objected to the implementation of the agreement on January 12, 2017.

#### E. <u>Significant Ratios</u>

The Company's operating ratios, computed as of December 31, 2016, fall within the benchmark ranges set forth in the Insurance Regulatory Information System of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Operating Ratios	<u>Result</u>
Net premiums written to surplus as regards policyholders	0%
Liabilities to liquid assets (cash and invested assets less investments in affiliates)	50%
Two-year overall operating ratio	0%

Both the 'Net premiums written to surplus as regards policyholders' and 'Two-year overall operating' ratios are zero due to the Company's run-off status.

The Company's reported risk based capital score (RBC) was 1,552% at 12/31/16. The RBC is a measure of the minimum amount of capital appropriate for a reporting entity to support its overall business operations in consideration of its size and risk profile. An RBC of 200 or below can result in regulatory action.

#### F. Accounts and Records

It was noted that New England Asset Management ("NEAM"), an affiliate, was providing the Company with investment services as of June 30, 2017. NEAM and the Company did not file a written agreement with the Department governing the provision of such services. Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., the Company's ultimate parent, entered into an agreement with the Company that would cover the services provided by NEAM. However, the agreement was submitted to the Department for approval in December 2017. Per Section 1505(d)(3) of the New York Insurance Law, agreements between affiliates must be submitted to the Department and not be disapproved thirty days prior their application.

It is therefore recommended that, in the future, the Company submit all agreements with its affiliates to the Department at least thirty days prior to application as required by Section 1505(d)(3) of the New York Insurance Law.

# 3. <u>FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u>

#### A <u>Balance Sheet</u>

The following shows the assets, liabilities and surplus as regards policyholders as of December 31, 2016 as reported by the Company:

Assets	Assets	Assets Not <u>Admitted</u>	Net Admitted <u>Assets</u>
Bonds	\$4,094,526	\$0	\$4,094,526
Preferred stocks	3,200,000	1,964,496	1,235,504
Common stocks	10,818,870	4,713,317	6,105,553
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments Receivables for securities Investment income due and accrued Amounts recoverable from reinsurers	27,992,087 13,720 64,862 _2,731,392	0 0 0 0	27,992,087 13,720 64,862 <u>2,731,392</u>
Totals	<u>\$48,915,457</u>	<u>\$6,677,813</u>	<u>\$42,237,644</u>

#### Liabilities, surplus and other funds

Liabilities		
Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses		\$0
Reinsurance payable on paid losses and loss adjustment expenses		10,537
Current federal and foreign income taxes		3,655
Net deferred tax liability		133,107
Ceded reinsurance premiums payable (net of ceding commissions)		18,133,352
Funds held by company under reinsurance treaties		274,595
Provision for reinsurance		1,182,670
Payable to parent, subsidiaries and affiliates		184,489
Total liabilities		19,922,405
Surplus and Other Funds		
Common capital stock	\$3,001,981	
Gross paid in and contributed surplus	64,900,003	
Unassigned funds (surplus)	(45,586,745)	
Surplus as regards policyholders		22,315,239
Totals		<u>\$42,237,644</u>

<u>Note</u>: The Internal Revenue Service is auditing the Berkshire Hathaway Inc. consolidated federal income tax return for the years ended 2010 through 2013. The Company joined in the filing of the Berkshire Hathaway Inc. federal income tax return on August 7, 2009. No adjustments affecting the taxable income of the Company have been proposed in the audit of those years. The examiner is unaware of any potential exposure of the Company to any tax assessment and no liability has been established herein relative to such contingency.

# B. <u>Statement of Income</u>

The net income for the examination period as reported by the Company was \$1,575,872 as detailed below. The negative premiums earned and the negative expenses reflect the result of the retroactive 100% quota share agreement with Finial.

Underwriting Income		
Premiums earned		(\$17,454,229)
Deductions: Losses and loss adjustment expenses incurred Other underwriting expenses incurred	(16,182,606) <u>31,495</u>	
Total underwriting deductions		(16,151,111)
Net underwriting gain or (loss)		(1,303,118)
Investment Income		
Net investment income earned Net realized capital gain	1,767,236 0	
Net investment gain or (loss)		1,767,236
Other Income		
Miscellaneous income (Expense)	40,381	
Total other income		40,381
Net income before federal and foreign income taxes		504,499
Federal and foreign income taxes incurred		(1,071,373)
Net Income		\$1,575,872

### C. Capital and Surplus Account

Surplus as regards policyholders increased \$1,448,248 during the five-year examination period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2016 as reported by the Company, detailed as follows:

Surplus as regards policyholders per report on examination as of December 31, 2011			\$19,166,990
	Gains in <u>Surplus</u>	Losses in <u>Surplus</u>	
Net income	\$1,575,872		
Net unrealized capital gains or (losses)	4,677,023		
Change in net deferred income tax	2,385,288		
Change in nonadmitted assets		6,677,813	
Change in provision for reinsurance		512,122	
Capital changes paid in	441,049		
Surplus adjustments paid in	0	441,049	
Net increase (decrease) in surplus	\$9,079,232	\$7,630,984	<u>\$1,448,248</u>
Reversal of prior examination loss reserve changes			1,700,000
Surplus as regards policyholders per report on examination as of December 31, 2016			<u>\$22,315,238</u>

No adjustments were made to surplus as a result of this examination.

Capital paid in is \$3,001,981 consisting of 142,274 shares of \$21.10 par value per share common stock. Gross paid in and contributed surplus is \$64,900,003. The Company increased the par value per share of common stock from \$18 to \$21.10. As a result, gross paid in and contributed surplus decreased by \$441,049 during the examination period, as follows:

Year	Description	Amount
2011 2014	Beginning gross paid in and contributed surplus Par value per share increased from \$18 to \$21.10	\$65,341,052 (441,049)
2016	Ending gross paid in and contributed surplus	\$ <u>64,900,003</u>

#### 4. LOSSES AND LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSES

The examination liability for the captioned items of \$0 is the same as reported by the Company as of December 31, 2016. This reflects the retroactive 100% quota share agreement with affiliate Finial, effective December 31, 2016, under which the Company ceded out 100% of its gross loss reserves for policies incepting prior to the effective date.

### 5. <u>SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>

As previously mentioned above, on January 1, 2017, 100% of the stock of the Company was acquired by Columbia. Immediately after the purchase, Columbia contributed all of the common shares of the Company to its affiliate MedPro Group, Inc. As a result, subsequent to the acquisition, the directors, officers and holding company chart have changed. Additionally, the Company has entered into a series of affiliated agreements with members of the BHI group.

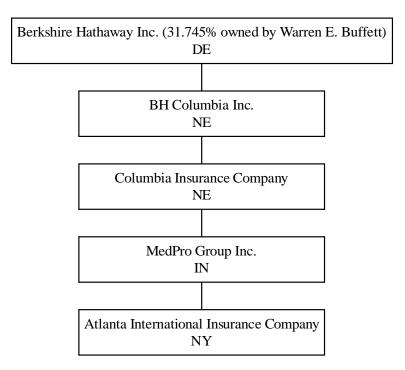
At September 30, 2017, the board of directors was comprised of the following seven members:

Name and Residence	Principal Business Affiliation
Timothy J. Kenesey	President and Chief Executive Officer,
Fort Wayne, IN	The Medical Protective Company
Daniel J. Landrigan Fort Wayne, IN	Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, The Medical Protective Company
Andrew M. DiGiorgio	President and Chief Executive Officer,
Monson, MA	Consolidated Health Plans, Inc.
Bruce John Byrnes	Vice President & Senior Counsel,
New City, NY	Berkshire Hathaway Reinsurance Division
Dr. Graham T. Billingham	Chief Medical Officer,
Auburn, CA	The Medical Protective Company
Dr. Carl T. Hook Norman, OK	Medical Director, President & Chief Executive Officer, PLICO, Inc.
Charles W. Lefevre	Chief Executive Officer,
Hamilton Square, NJ	Princeton Insurance Company

As of September 30, 2017, the principal officers of the Company were as follows:

Name	<u>Title</u>
Andrew M. DiGiorgio	President
Jean-Paul A. Rebillard	Vice President
Anthony A. Bowser	Vice President and Treasurer
Angela M. Adams	Secretary
Stephen M. Pennie	Assistant Treasurer

The following is an abridged chart of the holding company system at September 30, 2017:



In 2017, the Company recommenced underwriting operations with a focus on blanket accident and student health products. The student health insurance program provides one-year term coverage to college and university students, while participant accident policies are issued on a blanket basis and renewable after a one-year term.

In 2017, the Company wrote \$71,704,868 in group accident and health policies and ceded \$57,363,894 of this business resulting in \$14,340,974 in net written premiums for 2017. The cession took place under an 80% quota share agreement with the Company's affiliate The Medical Protective Company ('TMPC'). Under the agreement, effective January 1, 2017, TMPC assumes 80% of the premiums and losses associated with the accident and health policies written by the Company. The agreement was non-disapproved by the Department on January 12, 2017.

### 6. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR REPORT ON EXAMINATION</u>

The prior report on examination contained no comments or recommendations.

### 7. <u>SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

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i It is recommended that, in the future, the Company submit any agreement with its affiliates to the Department for approval at least thirty days prior its application as required by Section 1505(d)(3) of the New York Insurance Law.

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Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Revers, CFE Associate Insurance Examiner/

STATE OF NEW YORK ) )ss: COUNTY OF NEW YORK )

JOSEPH REVERS, being duly sworn, deposes and says that the foregoing report, subscribed by

him, is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Joseph Revers

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

### NEW YORK STATE

# **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES**

I, <u>Maria T. Vullo</u>, Superintendent of Financial Services of the State of New York, pursuant to the provisions of the Financial Services Law and the Insurance Law, do hereby appoint:

# Joseph Revers

as a proper person to examine the affairs of the

Atlanta International Insurance Company

and to make a report to me in writing of the condition of said

### **COMPANY**

with such other information as he shall deem requisite.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed by name and affixed the official Seal of the Department at the City of New York

this 22th day of August, 2017

MARIA T. VULLO Superintendent of Financial Services

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