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**To: American Reliable Insurance Company®, Diamond State Group®, Penn-America Group®, United National Group®, VacantExpress.com®, and Collectibles Insurance Services Producers Writing Business in South Carolina and North Carolina**

**Date: May 27, 2020**

**Subject: Binding Authority Suspension ~ Tropical Storm Bertha – South Carolina and North Carolina**

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**Please share this announcement with your staff**

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The National Hurricane Center of the National Weather Service has issued a tropical storm warning for Tropical Storm Bertha. The current projected path of Tropical Storm Bertha is expected to affect the states of South Carolina and North Carolina as a major storm. Specific areas affected by the tropical storm warning include areas from Edisto Beach, South Carolina to South Santee River, South Carolina.

This event affects the following Counties:

**South Carolina**

Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Fairfield, Florence, Georgetown, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Marlboro, Richland, Sumter, Williamsburg, and York

**North Carolina**

Alexander, Anson, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Davie, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Rutherford, Stanly, and Union

**Please Note:** Your property (including business income, extra expense, auto physical damage, and any other ancillary property coverage), inland marine, builders risk, marine (including yacht, houseboat, performance, and small boat), and motorcycle binding authority is automatically suspended for new business and endorsement activity increasing coverage anytime a tropical storm or hurricane watch or warning is declared. This applies to all areas within 100 miles of the affected coastline. Transactions that have already been bound may be issued, but no new or expanded coverage(s) may be bound until further notice.

We will continue to monitor the storm and will notify you of any modifications to this policy and endorsement binding suspension as warranted by development of the storm. The [National Weather Service – National Hurricane Center](#) website provides the most recent information regarding the storm’s activity.

**EXPIRATION OF MORATORIUM**

This moratorium will remain in effect until the storm watch and/or warning is lifted.

**Person to Contact**

If you have any questions, please contact your Underwriter.