PRA RULEBOOK: SOLVENCY II FIRMS: SENIOR INSURANCE MANAGERS REGIME – SOLVENCY II (NO. 2) INSTRUMENT 2015

Powers exercised

- A. The Prudential Regulation Authority ("PRA") makes this instrument in the exercise of the following powers and related provisions in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("the Act"):
 - (1) section 137G (the PRA's general rules); and
 - (2) section 137T (general supplementary powers).
- B. The rule-making powers referred to above are specified for the purpose of section 138G(2) (Rulemaking instrument) of the Act.

Pre-conditions to making

C. In accordance with section 138J of the Act (Consultation by the PRA), the PRA consulted the Financial Conduct Authority. After consulting, the PRA published a draft of proposed rules and had regard to representations made.

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D. The PRA makes the rules in the Annexes to this instrument.

Commencement

E. This instrument comes into force on 1 January 2016 and will remain in force up to and including 6 March 2016.

Citation

F. This instrument may be cited as the PRA Rulebook: Solvency II Firms: Senior Insurance Managers Regime – Solvency II (No. 2) Instrument 2015.

By order of the Board of the Prudential Regulation Authority

31 July 2015.

Annex A

[Note: This Annex contains updates to the rules made in PS3/15 Appendix 3 (PRA Rulebook: Solvency II Firms: Senior Insurance Managers Regime – Solvency II Instrument 2015). In this Annex, underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text.]

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1 APPLICATION

- 1.1 Unless otherwise stated, this Part applies to:
 - (1) a UK Solvency II firm;
 - (2) in accordance with Insurance General Application 3, the *Society*, as modified by 5;
 - (3) in accordance with Insurance General Application 3, *managing agents,* as modified by 5;
 - (4) a third country branch undertaking (other than a Swiss general insurer); and
 - (5) an <u>a UK</u> ISPV.

2 FITNESS AND PROPRIETY ASSESSMENTS BY FIRMS

2.1 A *firm* must ensure that all *persons* who perform *key functions* are at all times fit and proper *persons*.

[Note: Art. 42(1) of the Solvency II Directive]

- 2.2 In deciding whether a *person* is fit and proper pursuant to 2.1, a *firm* must be satisfied that the *person*:
 - (1) has the personal characteristics (including being of good repute and integrity);
 - (2) possesses the level of competence, knowledge and experience;
 - (3) has the qualifications; and
 - (4) has undergone or is undergoing all training,

required to enable such *person* to perform his or her *key function* effectively and in accordance with any relevant regulatory requirements, including those under the *regulatory system*, and to enable sound and prudent management of the *firm*.

[Note: Art. 42(1) of the Solvency II Directive]

2.3 Before deciding, and in considering on an on-going basis, whether a *person* is fit and proper pursuant to 2.1 and 2.2, a *firm* must consider the *person*'s past business conduct.

[Note: Art. 42(1) of the Solvency II Directive]

- 2.4 [Not yet in force]
- 2.5 [Not yet in force]
- 2.6 [Not yet in force]
- 2.7 [Not yet in force]

3 OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE REFERENCES

3.1 [Not yet in force]

4 DISCLOSURE AND REPLACEMENTS

- 4.1 (1) A *firm* (other than an <u>a UK</u> ISPV) shall notify the PRA of any changes to the identity of *key function holders* and shall provide the PRA with:
 - (a) all the information needed to assess whether such *person* is fit and proper pursuant to 2.2; and
 - (b) the information referred to in Insurance Allocation of Responsibilities 5.1(3) in respect of that *person*.
 - (2) An <u>A UK</u> ISPV shall notify the PRA of any changes to the identity of *key function holders* who are effectively running the *firm* and shall provide the PRA with all the information needed to assess whether such *person* is fit and proper pursuant to 2.2.

[Note: Art. 42(2) of the Solvency II Directive]

- (3) [Not yet in force]
- 4.2 [Not yet in force]

Where:

- (1) a key function holder is to be approved by the PRA to perform a senior insurance management function; and
- (2) the firm includes the information referred to in 4.1 in its application to the PRA for the approval of that person to perform the senior insurance management function,

this shall discharge the obligation in 4.1 in respect of that key function appointment.

4.3 If a *firm* becomes aware of information which would reasonably be expected to be material to the assessment of a current or former *key function holder's* fitness and propriety under this Part, it must inform the *PRA* as soon as practicable.

[Note: Art. 42(3) of the Solvency II Directive]

4.4 Where a *firm* replaces a *key function holder* because the *firm* considers that that *person* is no longer fit and proper pursuant to 2.1 and 2.2, the *firm* must notify the *PRA* as soon as reasonably practicable.

[Note: Art. 42(3) of the Solvency II Directive]

5 LLOYD'S

5.1 This Part applies to the Society and managing agents separately.

6 FITNESS AND PROPRIETY TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

6.1 [Not yet in force]

Annex B

[Note: This Annex contains updates to the rules made in PS3/15 Appendix 3 (PRA Rulebook: Solvency II Firms: Senior Insurance Managers Regime – Solvency II Instrument 2015). In this Annex, underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text.]

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1 APPLICATION AND DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 Unless otherwise stated, this Part applies to:
 - (1) a UK Solvency II firm;
 - (2) in accordance with Insurance General Application 3, the Society, as modified by 6;
 - in accordance with Insurance General Application 3, *managing agents*, as modified by
 6; and
 - (4) a third country branch undertaking (other than a Swiss general insurer).
- 1.2 In this Part, the following definitions shall apply:

governance map

has the meaning given in 5.1.

2 ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 [Not yet in force]
- 2.2 [Not yet in force]
- 2.3 [Not yet in force]

3 SIMR PRESCRIBED RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1 [Not yet in force]

4 IDENTIFICATION OF KEY FUNCTIONS

- 4.1 A *firm* must identify:
 - (1) each of the *functions* that the *firm* considers to be a *key function*; and
 - (2) any such key function that amounts to effectively running the firm (or, for a third country branch undertaking other than a Swiss general insurer, effectively running the operations effected by the third country branch, or, for a UK-deposit insurer, the operations effected by the third country branch and all the third country undertaking EEA branches).
- 4.2 A *firm* must keep its identification of *key functions* pursuant to 4.1 up-to-date.
- 4.3 A *firm* must keep a record of its reasoning for the identification of *key functions* pursuant to 4.1.

5 RECORDS

- 5.1 A *firm* must have and maintain a *governance map*, which is a clear and coherent document or series of documents with the following details:
 - (1) a list of the key functions identified by the firm in accordance with 4.1 highlighting those that amount to effectively running the firm (or, for a third country branch undertaking other than a Swiss general insurer, effectively running the operations effected by the third country branch or, for a UK-deposit insurer, the operations

effected by the *third country branch* and all the *third country undertaking EEA branches*);

- (2) the names of the *persons* who effectively run the *firm* (or, for a *third country branch undertaking* <u>other than a Swiss general insurer</u>, effectively run the operations effected by the *third country branch* or, for a *UK-deposit insurer*, the operations effected by the *third country branch* and all the *third country undertaking EEA branches*) or who are responsible for other *key functions* listed pursuant to 5.1(1);
- (3) for each *person* named pursuant to 5.1(2), a summary of the significant responsibilities allocated to that *person*;
- (4) where any responsibilities covered by 5.1(3) are allocated to more than one *person*, details of how those responsibilities are shared or divided between the *persons* concerned;
- (5) reporting lines and lines of responsibility for each *person* listed pursuant to 5.1(2);
- (6) where a firm (other than a third country branch undertaking) is a member of a group:
 - (a) how the *firm's* management and governance arrangements fit together with those of its *group* and the extent to which the *firm's* management and governance arrangements are provided by or shared with other members of its *group*; and
 - (b) for the *persons* listed pursuant to 5.1(2), details of the reporting lines and the lines of responsibility (if any) to *persons* who are employees or officers of other *group* members or to committees or other bodies of the *group* or of other *group* members.
- 5.2 A *firm* must update the *governance map*:
 - (1) at least quarterly; and
 - (2) in the event of a significant change to:
 - (a) the *firm*'s governance structure;
 - (b) the significant responsibilities allocated to a key function holder, or
 - (c) the reporting lines or lines of responsibility for a *key function holder*.
- 5.3 A *firm* must, as soon as reasonably practicable, provide the following to the *PRA*:
 - (1) upon request by the *PRA*, a copy of the *governance map*; and
 - (2) in the event of an update pursuant to 5.2(2), a copy of the relevant part of the *governance map*.
- 6 LLOYD'S
- 6.1 This Part applies to the *Society* and *managing agents* separately.