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.