

510.2 Contracts with managing general agents.

A domestic insurer shall not enter into a contract with a managing general agent unless the domestic insurer notifies the commissioner in writing of its intention to enter into the contract at least thirty days prior to entering into the contract or within a shorter time permitted by the commissioner and the commissioner has not disapproved of the contracts within the time period. The commissioner shall not approve the contracts if the commissioner finds any of the following:

1. The service or management charges in the contract are based upon criteria unrelated either to the insurer's profits or to the reasonable, customary, and usual charges for such services to the company.

2. Management personnel or other employees of the insurance company are to be performing management functions and receiving any remuneration for those management functions through the contract in addition to the compensation received directly from the insurance company for their services.

3. The contract would transfer substantial control of the insurer or any of the powers vested in the board of directors, by statute, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or substantially all of the basic functions of the insurer's management to the managing general agent.

4. The contract contains provisions which would be clearly detrimental to the best interest of policyholders, stockholders, or members of the company.

5. The officers and directors of the managing general agent firm are of known bad character or have been affiliated, directly or indirectly, through ownership, control, management, reinsurance transactions, or other insurance or business relations with any person known to have been involved in the improper manipulation of assets, accounts, or reinsurance.

If the commissioner disapproves of a contract, notice of the disapproval shall be given to the insurer, specifying the reasons in writing. The commissioner shall grant any party to the contract a hearing on the disapproval upon request pursuant to chapter 17A.

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[P] Contracts; see also §510.5