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STATE OF ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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In the Matter of the Surrender of the Certificate of)
Authority of)
Argonaut-Southwest Insurance Company)
(NAIC No. 19844),)
Petitioner.)

Docket No. 20A-005-INS

ORDER

Based upon reliable evidence provided to the Director of Insurance by the Assistant
Director of the Financial Affairs Division of the Arizona Department of Insurance ("Department"),
the Director finds as follows:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Argonaut-Southwest Insurance Company ("Petitioner") is an Illinois domiciled
insurance company that received its certificate of authority to transact property and casualty
insurance in Arizona effective June 14, 1982.

2. Effective December 31, 2019, Petitioner, the non-surviving entity, merged into
Argonaut Insurance Company (AIC), NAIC No. 19801, an Illinois domiciled insurer and the
surviving entity. AIC is authorized to transact insurance in Arizona. Petitioner voluntarily
surrendered its certificate of authority to the Department.

3. The Insurance Commissioner of Illinois approved the merger of Petitioner into
AIC on January 6, 2020.

4. Petitioner has no outstanding obligations under any policy of insurance, whether
written direct or through reinsurance ceded to it, to policyholders or claimants who are
residents of this State.

1 5. Petitioner is not the subject of any pending investigation or market conduct
2 examination and Petitioner does not owe this Department any filings or fees.

3 6. Petitioner has a \$100.00 deposit with the Insurance Examiners' Revolving Fund
4 ("IERF").

5 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

6 Petitioner has complied with the provisions of A.R.S. § 20-217 and with A.A.C. R20-6-
7 303 relating to the surrender of its Certificate of Authority.

8 **ORDER**

9 1. The surrender of the Petitioner's certificate of authority is accepted.

10 2. The Department shall refund to the Petitioner the sum of \$100.00 that was
11 previously credited to the IERF pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-159.

12 Effective this 23rd day of January, 2020.

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KEITH A. SCHRAAD, Director
Arizona Department of Insurance

15 COPY of the foregoing mailed/delivered
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