



UNDERWRITING BULLETIN

To: All Florida Agents of WFG National Title Insurance Company

From: WFG Florida Underwriting Department

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Re: National Title Surcharge Commencement Date Extended
K.E.L. Assessment
FLTA's Bulletin No. 8

On June 9, 2014, the FLTA issued its Bulletin No. 8 regarding the National Title Surcharge and the first assessment for the K.E.L. Receivership. The surcharge for the K.E.L. assessment is \$3.00, so the combined surcharge for National Title and K.E.L. will be \$3.28. The date to start collecting the combined surcharge is September 2, 2014. Therefore, a surcharge of \$3.28 should be collected for all owner's policies and loan policies issued in connection with closings held on or after September 2, 2014. However, under Florida Statute 631.401(2), there is no surcharge for a loan policy issued at the simultaneous rate.

Under Florida Statute 631.401(2) and proposed amendments to that Section, the surcharge is considered a governmental assessment, is not title insurance premium, and should be separately stated on the settlement statement as "Surcharge". Section 631.401(2) also provides that "[t]he party responsible for payment of [the] title insurance premium, unless otherwise agreed between the parties, shall be responsible for the payment of the surcharge."

Under Section 631.401(4), you are required to remit the surcharges to the Underwriter on whom the policies were issued within 60 days of collection. With each policy remittance sent to WFG for processing, you should send a separate check for each transaction in the amount of \$3.28 for the Surcharge payment. You should maintain a ledger and log-in the surcharges collected showing file numbers and policy numbers. The Surcharge will be shown on WFG records as a "policy tax".

You should send the surcharge payments to:

WFG National Title Insurance Company
Attn: Agency Operations
12909 SW 68th Parkway, Suite 350
Portland, OR 97223

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