

To: All Texas Policy Issuing Agents of WFG National Title Insurance Company

From: WFG Underwriting Department

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Subject: TDI Issues Bulletin on Rate Rule R-5.F and Simultaneous Issuance of Owner's and Loan Policies

As a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, some purchasers have not been able to obtain funding and a Loan Policy within 90 days to qualify for the simultaneous issue rate, pursuant to Rate Rule R-5.F. Consequently, the Texas Department of Insurance ("TDI") has issued Commissioner's Bulletin # B-0028-20 advising that it will not cite title agents and title insurance companies who charge the "simultaneous issuance" premium described in Rate Rule R-5.F for Loan Policies issued more than 90 days after the Owner's Policy of \$5 million or more if the following conditions are met:

- All parties, including the title agent and title insurance company, agree to the Rate Rule R-5.F premium;
- the owner's policy is dated between December 14, 2019, and April 2, 2020;
- the loan policy is issued no later than 60 days after the 90-day deadline in paragraph 1.a of Rate Rule R-5.F; and
- the requirements for Rate Rule R-5.F are otherwise met.

For any questions regarding the foregoing, please email <u>TitleExaminations@tdi.texas.gov</u>.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Texas underwriting counsel at SWLegal@wfgnationaltitle.com.

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