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**DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE** 

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In the Matter of	) Docket No. 06A-133-INS
COMPANION PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY	) DOCKEL NO. 00A-133-INS )
(SC) (NAIC NO. 12157)	ORDER RELEASING RETALIATORY DEPOSIT
Petitioner	į

Arizona Revised Statutes § 20-588 provides, in part, that deposited funds shall be released and returned to the Petitioner to the extent that such deposit is in excess of the amount required.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Companion Property and Casualty Insurance Company ("Petitioner"), a South Carolina domiciled insurer, was issued its certificate of authority to transact casualty with workers' compensation, marine and transportation, property, surety and vehicle insurance in Arizona effective August 1, 2005.
- 2. In accordance with A.R.S. §§ 20-230 and 20-582(3), the Director ordered Petitioner to make a retaliatory deposit with the Arizona State Treasurer ("Retaliatory Deposit"). The approximate current balance of the Retaliatory Deposit is \$240,000 (Two hundred forty thousand dollars).
- 3. Upon a review of all existing retaliatory deposits, the Arizona Department of Insurance determined that Petitioner's Retaliatory Deposit is no longer required pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-230 and that it is appropriate to release the Retaliatory Deposit to the Petitioner.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

2	1. The Director has no personal liability for the release of such deposit so made by her	
3	in good faith as provided in A.R.S. § 20-588(B).	
4	2. Petitioner is entitled to the release of its Retaliatory Deposit pursuant to A.R.S.	
5	§ 20-230 and 20-588(A)(2).	
6	ORDER	
7	THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that Petitioner's Retaliatory Deposit shall be released to	
8	Petitioner.	
9	Dated this 2/st day of July , 2006	
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11	CHRISTINA URIAS	
12	Director of Insurance	
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14	COPY of the foregoing mailed/delivered this <u>25th</u> day of <u>, 2006, to:</u>	
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