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In the Matter of:

) Docket No. 07A-113-INS
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ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

NAIC # 60186,

Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

Examiners for the Department of Insurance (the "Department") conducted a market conduct examination of Allstate Life Insurance Company ("Allstate"). The Report of Examination of the Market Conduct Affairs of Allstate Life Insurance Company alleges that Allstate has violated A.R.S. §§ 20-1233 (A) and (B), 20-1241. 04 (E) and (H); 20-1241.05 (C) and (G)(1) and 20-1242.02 (G).

Allstate wishes to resolve this matter without formal proceedings, admits that the following Findings of Fact are true and consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Allstate is authorized to transact life and disability insurance pursuant to a Certificate of Authority issued by the Director.
- 2. The Director authorized the Examiners to conduct a targeted market examination of Allstate. The examination covered the time period from October 1, 2004 through March 31, 2005 and concluded on July 18, 2006. Based on the examination findings, the Examiners prepared the "Report of Targeted Examination of Allstate Life Insurance Company", dated March 31, 2005.

- 3. a. Allstate used five annuity application forms that either failed to contain a Free Look notice, or contained a Free Look notice that failed to included a statement notifying contract holders age 65 years or older on the date of the application that they had 30 days after delivery in which to return the annuity contract for a full refund of all monies paid;
- b. Allstate used four annuity application forms and two contract forms that failed to contain a Free Look notice that offered the right to return the annuity contract for a refund of the value of the separate accounts plus the fees and other charges that were paid;
- c. Allstate failed to either obtain the required replacement notice, obtained an incorrect replacement notice, or accepted an incomplete replacement notice on six of the 59 annuity internal and external replacement files reviewed;
- d. Allstate failed to either obtain the required notice, obtained an incorrect replacement notice, or accepted an incomplete replacement notice and either failed to notify the producer and applicant that outstanding requirements needed to be fulfilled or did not fulfill the incomplete requirement in six of 59 annuity internal and external replacement files reviewed;
- e. Allstate failed to notify the existing insurer that may be affected by the proposed replacement within five business days of the receipt of a completed application indicating replacement on three of the 49 annuity external replacement files reviewed;
- f. Allstate failed to require, with the application, a statement signed by the producer stating that the producer used only sales material which had been approved by the Company on three of the 59 annuity internal and external replacement files reviewed;

g. Allstate used two annuity disclosure documents that failed to contain the annuity contract withdrawal charges, specified as a dollar amount or percentage.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

- 1. a. Allstate violated A.R.S. § 20-1233 (A) by using application forms that either failed to contain a Free Look notice, or contained a Free Look notice that failed to included a statement notifying contract holders age 65 years or older on the date of the application that they had 30 days after delivery in which to return the annuity contract for a full refund of all monies paid;
- b. Allstate violated A.R.S. § 20-1233 (B) by using application forms and contract forms that failed to contain a Free Look notice that offered the right to return the annuity contract for a refund of the value of the separate accounts plus the fees and other charges that were paid.
- 2. a. Allstate violated A.R.S. § 20-1241.04 (E) by failing to either obtain the required replacement notice, obtained an incorrect replacement notice, or accepting an incomplete replacement notice.
- b. Allstate violated A.R.S. § 20-1241.04 (H) by failing to notify the producer and applicant the outstanding replacement requirements needed to be fulfilled or did not fulfill the incomplete requirement;
- c. Allstate violated A.R.S. § 20-1241.05 (C) by failing to notify the existing insurer that may be affected by the proposed replacement within five business days of the receipt of a completed application indicating replacement;

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- d. Allstate violated A.R.S. § 20-1241.05 (G)(1) by failing to obtain a statement signed by the producer stating that the producer used only sales material which had been approved by the Company.
- 3. Allstate violated A. R. S. § 20-1242.02 (G) by using disclosure documents that failed to contain the annuity contract withdrawal charges, specified as a dollar amount or percentage.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Allstate Life Insurance Company shall cease and desist from:
- a. using application forms that either failed to contain a Free Look notice, or contained a Free Look notice that failed to included a statement notifying contract holders age 65 years or older on the date of the application that they had 30 days after delivery in which to return the annuity contract for a full refund of all monies paid;
- b. using application forms and contract forms that failed to contain a Free Look notice that offered the right to return the annuity contract for a refund of the value of the separate accounts plus the fees and other charges that were paid;
- c. failing to either obtain the required replacement notice, obtaining an incorrect replacement notice, or accepting an incomplete replacement notice;
- d. failing to either obtain the requirement notice, obtaining an incorrect replacement notice, or accepting an incomplete replacement notice and either failing to notify the producer and applicant that outstanding requirements need to be fulfilled of not fulfilling the incomplete requirements;

- e. failing to notify the existing insurer that may be affected by the proposed replacement within five business days of a completed application which indicated replacement;
- f. failing to obtain a statement signed by the producer stating that the producer used only sales material which had been approved by the Company;
- g. using disclosure documents that failed to contain the annuity contract withdrawal charges, specified as a dollar amount or percentage.
- 2. Within 90 days of filed date of this Order, Allstate shall submit to the Arizona Department of Insurance, for approval, evidence that corrections have been implemented and communicated to the appropriate personnel, regarding all of the items listed above in Paragraph 1 of the Order section of this Consent Order. Evidence of corrective action includes but is not limited to memos, bulletins, E-mails, correspondence, procedures manuals, print screens and training materials.
- 3. The Department shall be permitted, through authorized representatives, to verify that Allstate has complied with all provisions of this Order.
- 4. Allstate shall pay a civil penalty of \$12,000.00 to the Director for deposit in the State General Fund in accordance with A.R.S. § 20-220(B). This civil penalty shall be provided to the Market Conduct Examinations Section of the Department prior to the filing of this Order.

5. The Report of Examination of the Market Conduct Affairs of Allstate Life Insurance Company dated March 31, 2005 including the letter submitted in response to the Report of Examination, shall be filed with the Department after the Director has filed this Order. DATED Arizona this Stay of June, 2007.

Christina Urias

Director of Insurance

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CONSENT TO ORDER

- 1. Allstate Life Insurance Company has reviewed the foregoing Order.
- 2. Allstate Life Insurance Company admits the jurisdiction of the Director of Insurance, State of Arizona, admits the foregoing Findings of Fact, and consents to the entry of the Conclusions of Law and Order.
- 3. Allstate Life Insurance Company is aware of its right to a hearing, at which it may be represented by counsel, present evidence, and cross-examine witnesses. Allstate Life Insurance Company irrevocably waives its right to such notice and hearing and to any court appeals related to this Order.
- 4. Allstate Life Insurance Company states that no promise of any kind or nature whatsoever was made to it to induce it to enter into this Order and that it has entered into this Consent Order voluntarily.
- 5. Allstate Life Insurance Company acknowledges that the acceptance of this Order by the Director of Insurance, State of Arizona, is solely to settle this matter against it and does not preclude any other agency or officer of this state or its subdivisions or any other person from any other civil or criminal proceedings, whether civil, criminal, or administrative, as may be appropriate now or in the future.
- 6. MICHAEL J. VELOTTA, who holds the office of Se. V.P., Secretary & GEN COUNSEL of Allstate Life Insurance Company, is authorized to enter into this Order for it and on its behalf.

ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By: Michael July

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