FORA: Pollution Legal Liability Insurance Coverage

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WHY PLL COVERAGE?

CERCLA Joint Strict and Several Liability
CERCLA Warranty and the 120 kick out

Section 330 Indemnity

"to the extent of" limitation

Timing of response by Army-project delay

New conditions

Disputes over origin of contamination

Regulatory requirements



FORA'S CURRENT PLL POLICY

Term-10 years (Dec. 2014 expiration)

Limits-\$100 million

Self-Insured Retention-\$1 million

Covered Parties

FORA + 5 Land Holding Jurisdictions + development entities



CONSIDERATIONS GOING FORWARD

Insurance Market considerations

Claims experience

FORA's expiration

Economies of Scale

First dollar coverage

Cross border disputes

Continuity during transition from FORA to municipalities: 10 year policy

Exclude Groundwater Coverage and MEC remediation



CONCEPTUAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. No exclusions from covered location.
- 2. Remediation and/or property damage for MEC?
- 3. \$50,000,000 limits. Possible need for excess coverage to address additional insured parties?
- 4. Carriers (if more than one) will follow form without exception.
- 5. If allocated slice entity ceases to exist, slice reverts to municipal entity with jurisdiction.
- 6. Covered risks are pre-existing unknowns and new conditions
- 7. No exclusion for breach of land use controls.
- 8. Insured v. insured endorsement.
- Need a methodology for cross border issues between insured—allocation formula for whose slice of coverage it comes from and with only one SIR.
- 10. Additional insured developers' coverage (if not identified at time of binding) subject to underwriting. Not to be unreasonably denied.
- 11. Policy will be primary
- 12. Claims honored for covered locations subsequently entered into voluntary Clean-up Program with DTSC, provided notice is given to carrier.
- 13. Premium consideration: use of grant funds.
- 14. Allocation of premium cost amongst named and additional insured.



ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED BY ENDORSEMENT

- 1. Ability to allocate sub-aggregates to governmental and development entities.
- 2. FORA first named insured as long as FORA exists; then designate the successor first named insured. Can we identify now?
- 3. Extent of MEC coverage.
- 4. 10 year policy, 90 day Extended Reporting Period
- 5. SIR = \$500,000
- 6. 100% earned premium at inception
- 7. Cancellation requires consent of all insured (named and additional) except for non-payment of premium after 30 days' notice to all named and additional insured, with opportunity to cure.
- 8. No pollution conditions excluded except (a) ground water and (b) MEC prior to regulatory certification of completion.
- 9. Coverage limited to participating municipalities, utility providers, and educational entities.



NEXT STEPS AND SCHEDULE

- 1. Prepare Request for Proposals and submit to market: 1 March 2014
- 2. Submission of proposals to FORA: 1 May 2014
- 3. Evaluation of proposals: complete by 1 June 2014
- 4. Notify submitters of acceptance/rejection: 15 June 2014
- 5. Negotiations with carriers: 1 July -30 September 2014 Cost, SIR, exclusions, endorsements, coverages
- 6. Presentation to FORA Board for approval: 8 November 2014
- 7. Bind new policy: 1 December 2014

