

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. A.I. 71(2020)

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Automobile*
2 *Insurance Act*, RSNL 1990, c. A-22, as
3 amended, and regulations thereunder; and
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5 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
6 The Personal Insurance Company for
7 approval to implement a revised rating
8 program for its Private Passenger
9 Automobiles and Miscellaneous Vehicles
10 categories of automobile insurance.
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13 **WHEREAS** effective January 1, 2020 changes to the *Automobile Insurance Act* and regulations
14 thereunder came into effect which included mandatory reforms of the automobile insurance
15 product; and
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17 **WHEREAS** the mandatory reforms included the introduction of Direct Compensation Property
18 Damage (“DCPD”) coverage for all vehicles and an increase in the deductible applicable to all
19 pain and suffering awards from \$2,500 to \$5,000; and
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21 **WHEREAS** on July 31, 2020 The Personal Insurance Company applied to the Board for approval
22 of a revised rating program under the Reform filing option for its Private Passenger Automobiles
23 and Miscellaneous Vehicles categories of automobile insurance; and
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25 **WHEREAS** on August 14, 2020 The Personal Insurance Company filed a revised proposal to
26 correct an identified error; and
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28 **WHEREAS** the proposal is made in accordance with the Board’s Reform Filing Guidelines; and
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30 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that the proposed rates are just and reasonable in the
31 circumstances, do not impair the solvency of the insurer, are not excessive in relation to the
32 financial circumstances of the insurer, and do not violate the *Automobile Insurance Act* or the
33 *Insurance Companies Act* or the respective regulations thereunder.

1 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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- 3 1. The revised rating program received August 14, 2020 from The Personal Insurance Company
- 4 for its Private Passenger Automobiles and Miscellaneous Vehicles categories of automobile
- 5 insurance is approved to be effective no sooner than January 22, 2021 for new business and
- 6 March 23, 2021 for renewals.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 27th day of August, 2020.



Darlene Whalen, P. Eng., FEC
Chair and Chief Executive Officer



Christopher Pike, LL.B., FCIP
Commissioner



Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary