

**THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.**

## **NEW YORK CHANGES – COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

### COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**A. Paragraph 1.a. of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability is replaced by the following:**

#### **1. Insuring Agreement**

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages even if the allegations of the "suit" are groundless, false or fraudulent. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any "occurrence" and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:

- (1) The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance; and
- (2) Our right and duty to defend end when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages **A** or **B** or medical expenses under Coverage **C**.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages **A** and **B**.

**B. Paragraph 1.a. of Section I – Coverage B – Personal And Advertising Injury Liability is replaced by the following:**

#### **1. Insuring Agreement**

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages even if the allegations of the "suit" are groundless, false or fraudulent. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any offense and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:

- (1) The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance; and
- (2) Our right and duty to defend end when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages **A** and **B** or medical expenses under Coverage **C**.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages **A** and **B**.

**C. The following is added as Paragraph e. to the Duties In The Event Of Occurrence, Offense, Claim Or Suit Condition (Paragraph 2. of Section IV – Commercial General Liability Conditions):**

- e. Notice given by or on behalf of the insured, or written notice by or on behalf of the injured person or any other claimant, to any agent of ours in New York State, with particulars sufficient to identify the insured, shall be considered to be notice to us.

**D. Paragraph 3. of Section IV – Commercial General Liability Conditions is replaced by the following:**

**3. Legal Action Against Us**

- a. Except as provided in Paragraph b., no person or organization has a right under this Coverage Part:
  - (1) To join us as a party or otherwise bring us into a "suit" asking for damages from an insured; or
  - (2) To sue us on this Coverage Part unless all of its terms have been fully complied with.

A person or organization may sue us to recover on an agreed settlement or on a final judgment against an insured; but we will not be liable for damages that are not payable under the terms of this Coverage Part or that are in excess of the applicable limit of insurance. An agreed settlement means a settlement and release of liability signed by us, the insured and the claimant or the claimant's legal representative.

- b. With respect to "bodily injury" and "personal and advertising injury" claims, if we deny coverage or do not admit liability because an insured or the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant fails to give us written notice as soon as practicable, then the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant may bring an action against us, provided the sole question is whether the denial of coverage or nonadmission of liability is based on the failure to provide timely notice.

However, the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant may not bring an action if within 60 days after we deny coverage or do not admit liability, we or an insured:

- (1) Brings an action to declare the rights of the parties under the Policy; and
- (2) Names the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant as a party to the action.

**E. The following provision is added and supersedes any provision to the contrary:**

Failure to give notice to us as required under this Coverage Part shall not invalidate any claim made by the insured, injured person or any other claimant, unless the failure to provide such timely notice has prejudiced us. However, no claim made by the insured, injured person or other claimant will be invalidated if it shall be shown not to have been reasonably possible to give such timely notice and that notice was given as soon as was reasonably possible thereafter.

**F. The definition of "loading or unloading" in the Definitions Section does not apply.**