

MINUTES OF THE ACCEL UNDERWRITING COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 2:00 PM

LOCATION: Teleconference

Link:

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Dial: 1 (669) 444 9171

Meeting ID: 963 9506 0431

Passcode: 229856

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tracey Matthews, City of Anaheim (Joined 2:04pm)

Alvaro Valdez, City of Burbank

Kelly-Louise Poggetti, City of Palo Alto

Mark Howard, City of Santa Barbara

Ross Brandon, City of Santa Cruz (Left 3:06pm)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

GUESTS AND CONSULTANTS:

Conor Boughey, Alliant Insurance Services

Thomas Joyce, Alliant Insurance Services

Lorissa Huey, Alliant Insurance Services

Byrne Conley, Gibbons & Conley (Left 2:46pm)

A. CALL TO ORDER

Ross Brandon called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

B1. Approval of Minutes for the May 14, 2025 Underwriting Committee Meeting

A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar.

MOTION: Alvaro Valdez **SECOND:** Mark Howard **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Alvaro Valdez	Kelly-Louise Poggetti	Mark Howard	Ross Brandon
Aye	X	X		X	X
Nay					
Abstain			X		

C. REPORTS

C1. UNDERWRITING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

C1a. Parametric Policy & Procedure Review Frequency

Thomas Joyce reported that the purpose of this item was to determine the review frequency of the new Parametric Policy & Procedure (P&P) that the Board approved to accompany the new Parametric Earthquake policy effective 7/1/25. The Committee reviewed the existing policy & procedure review schedule.

Direction was given that the Committee would review this new P&P every year. The Committee's reasoning was that this was a new P&P and should be reviewed frequently. This meeting did not constitute a review, and the Committee wants to review this P&P in 2025.

C1b. Review of ACCEL's MOC vs. Common Pollution Claims

Conor Boughey reported that ACCEL Members had been having questions about pollution claims such as sewer backups and ACCEL's coverage position on these exposures. ACCEL's Coverage Counsel, Byrne Conley, presented his memo on ACCEL's pollution exclusion to the Committee along with their comparison of various other JPA pollution exclusions. The Committee discussed this at length and determined that a time limit to report was not feasible for these types of claims.

The Committee gave direction to discuss with the Board at the October 2025 Board Meeting, it's intent to propose changes to the MOC effective 7/1/26 to provide coverage for third party liability only for sewer backups with no time element for reporting language. The Committee will convene after the October 2025 Board Meeting. The Program Administrators are to work with ACCEL's Coverage Counsel on a proposed language.

C1c. PRISM Medical Malpractice Program Discussion

Conor Boughey provided the Committee with an update on the potential PRISM Med Mal application process. This is in response to the increased exposure of “pop-up clinics” or other medical services being provided to the community of the ACCEL Member cities. The Committee also received an update on the specifics of the PRISM Med Mal coverage and expressed concern on some of the coverage limitations. The limitations in question were a current lack of coverage for physical medicine being performed at non-established medical facilities.

Direction was given that applications would not be sent to the Members at this time and this item would be discussed at the coming October 2025 Board Meeting.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting was adjourned at 3:06 PM.