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TO: MEMBERS OF THE FACILITY ASSOCIATION

**ATTENTION:** CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

NOVA SCOTIA RISK SHARING POOL PROJECT MANAGER

**BULLETIN NO.:** F19 – 038

DATE: MAY 30, 2019

**SUBJECT:** NOVA SCOTIA RISK SHARING POOL

- APRIL 2019 OPERATIONAL REPORT

A copy of this bulletin should be provided to your Chief Financial Officer and Appointed Actuary.

Please be advised that the April 2019 Nova Scotia Risk Sharing Pool Operational Report is now available on the Facility Association (FA) Portal at https://portal.facilityassociation.com.

## **Summary of Financial Results**

The calendar year-to-date Operating Result is -\$2.6 million and the incurred loss ratio to the end of 4 months is 94.7%, as summarized in the table below.

*NS RSP Summary of Financial Results (for month and year-to-date)* 

Amounts in \$000s	April 2019	April 2018	Year to date Apr 2019	Year to Date Apr 2018	
Premium Written	2,738	2,385	9,095	8,008	
Premium Earned	2,467	2,261	9,730	8,728	
Incurred Losses	2,412	2,186	9,216	6,290	
Underwriting & Admin Expense	931	784	3,130	2,835	
<b>Operating Result</b>	(876)	(709)	(2,616)	(397)	
Ratios:					
Loss ratio - Prior Accident Years	(2.2%)	(1.4%)	(6.3%)	(26.8%)	
- Current Accident Year	100.0%	98.1%	101.0%	98.9%	
Total	97.8%	96.7%	94.7%	72.1%	
Underwriting & Admin Expense	37.7%	34.7%	32.2%	32.5%	
Combined Operating Ratio	135.5%	131.4%	126.9%	104.6%	

rounding differences may occur

These results are discussed in some detail in the "Current Month Results" section. For additional numeric details, please refer to Exhibit 1 "Summary of Operations for Calendar Year 2019" attached to this bulletin.

### Updated Projection to Year-end 2019

The projected calendar year Operating Result to December 2019 is -\$10.5 million and the estimated combined operating ratio to December 2019 is 134.3%, as summarized in the table below. This updated projection to the end of the year has not changed significantly from the projection provided last month (see the second and third columns in the table).

NS RSP Summary of **Projected Year-end** Financial Results (current month's projection, prior month's projection, and Outlook posted last fall)

NS RSP 2019 Yr-end Projection	Current	Prior Mth		Final 2019	
Amounts in \$000s	(Apr 2019)	(Mar 2019)	Change	Outlook*	
Premium Written	31,809	31,862	(53)	31,089	
Premium Earned	30,668	30,733	(65)	30,272	
Incurred Losses	29,729	29,792	(63)	30,014	
Underwriting & Admin Expense	11,464	11,531	(66)	11,148	
<b>Net Result from Operations</b>	(10,525)	(10,590)	64	(10,890)	
Ratios:					
Loss ratio - Prior Accident Years	(3.5%)	(3.4%)	(0.1%)	(1.5%)	
- Current Accident Year	100.4%	100.4%	0.0%	100.7%	
Total	96.9%	97.0%	(0.1%)	99.2%	
Underwriting & Admin Expense	37.4%	37.5%	(0.1%)	36.8%	
Combined Operating Ratio	134.3%	134.5%	(0.2%)	136.0%	

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\*as posted to FA's website Oct. 18, 2018

## **Current Month Results**

The Nova Scotia Risk Sharing Pool produced a -\$0.9 million Operating Result in the month of April 2019, a \$0.2 million deterioration from the same month last year. This deterioration is composed of a \$0.1 million deterioration associated with the \$0.2 million increase in earned premium (at a combined ratio of 131.4%), with the remaining \$0.1 million deterioration stemming from the overall increase in the combined ratio (from 131.4% to 135.5% applied to \$2.5 million in earned premium).

This month's results moved the year-to-date combined operating ratio from 124.0% at the end of 3 months to 126.9% at the end of 4 months. The 2.9 percentage point increase is composed of a 1.3 percentage point increase in the Prior Accident Years loss ratio, and a 1.9 percentage point increase in the expense ratio, offset by a 0.3 percentage point decrease in the Current Accident Year loss ratio.

### Variances from Projections

The table at the top of the next page provides a summary of key components of the operating results as compared to the estimates projected last month.

NS RSP Summary of Actual vs Projected variances

April 2019	Actual	Projection	Difference	Difference %
Written Premium	2,738	2,791	(53)	(1.9%)
Earned Premium	2,467	2,510	(43)	(1.7%)
Reported Losses				
Paid Losses	1,607	1,433	174	12.1%
Paid Expenses	50	95	(45)	(47.4%)
Change in Outstanding Losses	(576)	349	(925)	(265.0%)
Total Reported Losses	1,081	1,877	(796)	(42.4%)
Change in IBNR Provision *	1,331	584	747	
Change in Premium Deficiency (DPAC) *	32	34	(2)	

(Amounts in \$000's) rounding differences may occur

Each month, management reviews the variance between reported premium activity and claims activity (actual reported claims payments and changes in case reserves) and the associated actuarial projections. The projection process involves many assumptions including claims reporting patterns. Actual reporting patterns vary from month-to-month, sometimes considerably. Although variances from our projections are expected, management investigates variances beyond set thresholds and responds as appropriate.

For the month of April 2019, reported losses were \$0.8 million lower than projected. The Current Accident Year had a \$0.4 million favourable variance in reported losses, and the Prior Accident Years had a \$0.4 million favourable variance. No single Prior Accident Year had a reported loss variance in excess of \$1.0 million.

There were no variances for claims activity beyond the set thresholds for specific individual Prior Accident Years for the month.

#### Booking IBNR

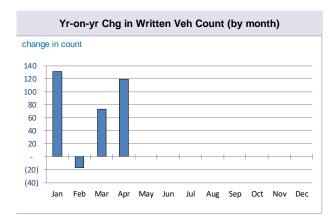
The IBNR booking process this month allowed the nominal IBNR (i.e. before the impact of discounting and changes in provisions for adverse deviation) to vary from projected in order to offset the Prior Accident Years and Current Accident Year variances from projected, including the impact of earned premium variances (as IBNR is based on loss ratios). This is consistent with management's investigation into reported claims variances, concluding they were random and not necessarily indicative of a trend. IBNR is discussed in more detail in the <a href="Nova Scotia RSP April 2019">Nova Scotia RSP April 2019</a> Operational Report – Actuarial Highlights.

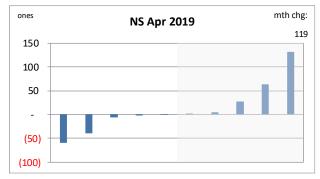
#### **Effect of Quarterly Valuation**

The April 2019 Nova Scotia Risk Sharing Pool Operational Report does not reflect the results of an updated valuation (the most recent valuation is as at December 31, 2018). The actuarial valuation will be updated next as at March 31, 2019 and we anticipate that the results will be reflected in the May 2019 Operational Report.

<sup>\*</sup>Detailed information is included at Nova Scotia RSP April 2019 Operational Report - Actuarial Highlights.

#### **Management Comments**





the total transfer decrease for these "decliner" members. Of the 5 member company groups transferring more vehicles, 1 member company group accounted for 58% of the total transfer increase for these "grower" members.

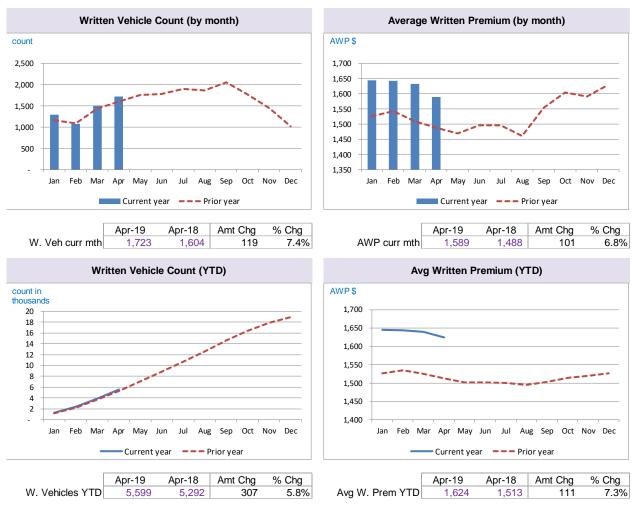


The chart on the left shows the year-on-year change in the vehicles transferred to the RSP by month, with April showing an <u>increase</u> of 119 vehicles. Our projection last month (in part based on previous projections provided by select member company groups) was for an <u>increase</u> of 144 vehicles, indicating a variance of 25 from the actual transfers. This variance was mainly due to one member company group transferring a lower number of vehicles to the RSP in April than projected.

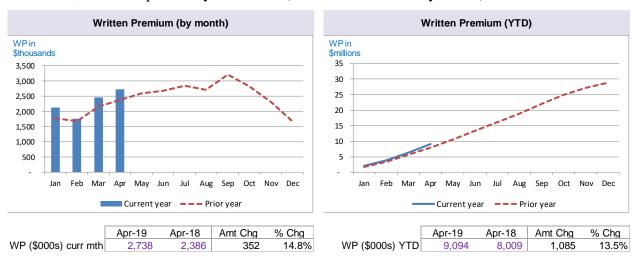
The chart on the left shows the overall change in the **month**, broken down by member company group changes (each blue bar represents the change for a single member company group), sorted by magnitude of change. Five member company groups transferred fewer vehicles to the RSP this month compared with a year ago, while five transferred more. Of the 5 member company groups transferring fewer vehicles, 2 member company groups accounted for 93% of members. Of the 5 member company groups

The chart on the left presents the same information as the previous chart, but on a **year-to-date** basis. That is, it shows the overall change in transfer counts year-to-date, broken down by member company group changes (each blue bar represents the change for a single member company group), sorted by magnitude of change.

April's vehicle count transfers to the RSP represent a 7.4% increase from April 2018, and vehicle counts were up 5.8% year-to-date. Average written premium was up 6.8% in April 2019, and was up 7.3% year-to-date (see charts at the top of the next page).



As a result of the movements in transfer vehicle counts and average written premium, the transferred premium was up 14.8% for the month compared with the 17.0% <u>in</u>crease we projected last month, and was up 13.5% year-to-date (see charts immediately below).



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Should you require any further information, please call Norm Seeney, Vice President, Finance and Member Services at (416) 644-4914.

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## **Related links:**

Nova Scotia RSP April 2019 Operational Report – Actuarial Highlights

#### **SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS - CALENDAR YEAR 2019**

Risk Sharing Pool - Nova Scotia
Operating Results for the 4 Months Ended April 30, 2019 (Discounted basis)
Source: Monthly Operational Report
(thousands of dollars)

EXHIBIT 1

	January	February	March	April	CY2019 YTD	CY2019 12 MONTHS Updated Projection	CY2018 12 MONTHS Actual
Underwriting Revenue:	•	,		•			
Net Premiums Written	\$2,126	\$1,769	\$2,462	\$2,738	\$9,095	\$31,809	\$28,869
Decrease (Increase) in Unearned Premiums	368	479	59	(271)	635	(1,141)	(1,213)
Net Premiums Earned	\$2,494	\$2,248	\$2,521	\$2,467	\$9,730	\$30,668	\$27,656
Claims Incurred:							
Prior Accident Years:							
Undiscounted	(\$14)	(\$17)	(\$834)	(\$5)	(\$870)	(\$870)	\$195
Effect of Discounting	153	(70)	228	(50)	261	(190)	(683)
Discounted	\$139	(\$87)	(\$606)	(\$55)	(\$609)	(\$1,060)	(\$488)
Current Accident Year:							
Undiscounted	\$2,422	\$2,185	\$2,429	\$2,381	\$9,417	\$29,580	\$25,819
Effect of Discounting	115	81	126	86	408	1,209	872
Discounted	\$2,537	\$2,266	\$2,555	\$2,467	\$9,825	\$30,789	\$26,691
Claims Incurred	\$2,676	\$2,179	\$1,949	\$2,412	\$9,216	\$29,729	\$26,203
Underwriting Expenses:							
Expense Allowance	\$659	\$549	\$763	\$849	\$2,820	\$9,863	\$8,714
Change in UPDR/DPAC:							
Undiscounted	10	15	(13)	17	29	425	537
Effect of Discounting	(16)	(22)	105	15	82	202	(86)
Discounted	(6)	(7)	92	32	111	627	451
Underwriting Expenses	\$653	\$542	\$855	\$881	\$2,931	\$10,490	\$9,165
Net Underwriting Gain (Loss)	(\$835)	(\$473)	(\$283)	(\$826)	(\$2,417)	(\$9,551)	(\$7,712)
Administrative Expenses	\$49	\$59	\$41	\$50	\$199	\$974	\$608
Operating Result	(\$884)	(\$532)	(\$324)	(\$876)	(\$2,616)	(\$10,525)	(\$8,320)
Ratios:							
Claims & Expenses Incurred (Earned)							
Prior Accident Years	5.6%	-3.9%	-24.0%	-2.2%	-6.3%	-3.5%	-1.8%
Current Accident Year	101.7%	100.8%	101.3%	100.0%	101.0%	100.4%	96.5%
All Accident Years Combined	107.3%	96.9%	77.3%	97.8%	94.7%	96.9%	94.7%
Underwriting & Administrative Expenses (Earned)	28.1%	26.7%	35.5%	37.7%	32.2%	37.4%	35.3%
Combined Operating Ratio	135.4%	123.6%	112.8%	135.5%	126.9%	134.3%	130.0%

Note: Amounts shown above do not reflect costs incurred directly by member companies e.g. income and premium taxes, health levies, association dues, cost of capital as a result of their compulsory participation in Facility Association and investment income earned on Facility Association premium dollars invested directly by members.

Rounding difference may apply