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NOVA SCOTIA RISK SHARING POOL PROJECT MANAGER

**BULLETIN NO.:** F2020 – 055

DATE: **JULY 30, 2020** 

**SUBJECT:** NOVA SCOTIA RISK SHARING POOL

- JUNE 2020 OPERATIONAL REPORT

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

Please be advised that the June 2020 Nova Scotia Risk Sharing Pool Operational Report is available on the Facility Association (FA) Portal at https://portal.facilityassociation.com.

# **Key Points**

- (a) The loss ratios currently being used include an initial assessment of the incurred impacts associated with the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) The 2020 year-to-date net operating deficit was \$9.6 million, with a COR of 158.1% on earned premium of \$16.6 million; and
- (c) The projected 2020 year-end net operating deficit is now \$20.2 million, with a COR at 156.8% on earned premium of \$35.6 million (our Outlook for 2020 was \$14.5 million of net operating deficit with a COR of 140.5% on earned premium of \$35.8 million).

# **Summary of Financial Results**

The calendar year-to-date Operating Result is -\$9.6 million and the incurred loss ratio to the end of six months is 117.9%, as summarized in the following table.

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

Amounts in \$000s		June 2020	June 2019	Year to date Jun 2020	Year to Date Jun 2019	
Premium Written		4,647	2,729	16,568	14,417	
Premium Earned		2,760	2,352	16,610	14,429	
Incurred Losses		2,921	2,327	19,576	15,836	
Underwriting & Admin Expense		1,903	946	6,676	5,346	
Operating Result		(2,064)	(921)	(9,642)	(6,753)	
Ratios:	Ratios:					
Loss ratio	- Prior Accident Years	(3.3%)	(6.0%)	8.6%	5.1%	
	- Current Accident Year	109.2%	104.9%	109.3%	104.7%	
	Total	105.9%	98.9%	117.9%	109.8%	
Underwriting & Admin Expense		68.9%	40.2%	40.2%	37.1%	
Combined Operating Ratio		174.8%	139.1%	158.1%	146.9%	

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 2020" attached to this bulletin.

#### *Updated Projection to Year-end 2020*

PLEASE NOTE: June's reported claims projections include an additional 10% decrease in Current Accident Year reported claims activity - reducing the projected reported activity over the next month and spreading over the remainder of the year, reflecting a shift in Current Accident Year claims reporting and emergence patterns due to the COVID-19 pandemic impact. This is consistent with previous month's projections following the valuation assumptions update.

The projected calendar year Operating Result to December 2020 is -\$20.2 million and the estimated combined operating ratio to December 2020 is 156.8%, as summarized in the following table. This updated projection to the end of the year has deteriorated by \$0.6 million from the projection provided last month (see the second and third columns in the table). The deterioration is driven by the \$1.3 million increase in the projected written premium for the year and the associated impacts on earned premium, claims, and expense projections.

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

NS RSP 2020 Yr-end Projection	Current	Prior Mth		Final 2020	
Amounts in \$000s	(Jun 2020)	(May 2020)	Change	Outlook*	
Premium Written	40,113	38,854	1,259	38,176	
Premium Earned	35,568	34,878	690	35,830	
Incurred Losses	39,198	38,433	765	36,407	
Underwriting & Admin Expense	16,587	16,108	478	13,949	
Net Result from Operations	(20,217)	(19,663)	(553)	(14,526)	
Ratios:					
Loss ratio - Prior Accident Years	2.5%	2.6%	(0.1%)	(2.1%)	
- Current Accident Year	107.7%	107.6%	0.1%	103.7%	
Total	110.2%	110.2%	-	101.6%	
Underwriting & Admin Expense	46.6%	46.2%	0.4%	38.9%	
Combined Operating Ratio	156.8%	156.4%	0.4%	140.5%	

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\*as posted to FA's website Nov. 5, 2019

## Current Month Results

The Nova Scotia Risk Sharing Pool produced a -\$2.1 million Operating Result in the month of June 2020, a \$1.1 million deterioration from the same month last year. This deterioration is composed of an approximately \$0.1 million unfavourable impact associated with the \$0.4 million increase in earned premium (at a prior combined ratio of 139.1%), and a \$1.0 million unfavourable impact driven by the overall increase in the combined ratio (from 139.1% to 174.8% applied to \$2.8 million in earned premium.

This month's results moved the year-to-date combined operating ratio from 154.8% at the end of five months to 158.1% at the end of six months. The 3.3 percentage point increase is composed of a 5.7 percentage point increase in the expense ratio, offset by a 2.4 percentage point decrease in the Prior Accident Years loss ratio.

#### Variances from Projections

The following table 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

June 2020	Actual	Projection	Diffe rence	Difference %
Written Premium	4,647	3,387	1,260	37.2%
Earned Premium	2,760	2,835	(75)	(2.6%)
Reported Losses				
Paid Losses	1,067	1,422	(355)	(25.0%)
Paid Expenses	66	89	(23)	(25.8%)
Change in Outstanding Losses	363	633	(270)	(42.7%)
Total Reported Losses	1,496	2,144	(648)	(30.2%)
Change in IBNR Provision *	1,425	813	612	
Change in Premium Deficiency (DPAC) *	354	176	178	

(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 June 2020, total reported losses were \$0.6 million lower than projected. The Current Accident Year had a \$0.5 million favourable variance in reported losses and the Prior Accident Years had an approximately \$0.1 million favourable variance. No single Accident Year had a reported loss variance in excess of \$1.0 million.

The variances for claims activity were beyond the set thresholds for some specific individual Accident Years for the month. Management investigated claims activity and is satisfied that the variances are appropriately accounted for in our current booking process. All other variances were within the set thresholds for the month.

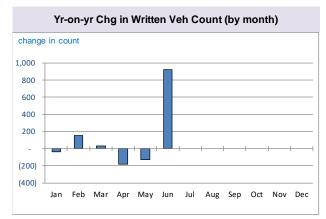
#### **Booking IBNR**

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.

## **Effect of Quarterly Valuation**

The June 2020 Nova Scotia Risk Sharing Pool Operational Report does not reflect the results of an updated valuation (the most recent valuation is as at March 31, 2020). The actuarial valuation will be updated next as at June 30, 2020 and we anticipate that the results will be reflected in the August 2020 Operational Report.

#### **Management Comments**

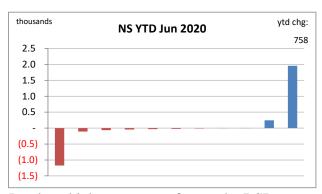




The chart on the left shows the year-on-year change in the vehicles transferred to the RSP by month, with June showing an <u>increase</u> of 921 vehicles. Our projection last month (in part based on previous projections provided by select member company groups) was for an <u>increase</u> of 290 vehicles, indicating a variance of 631 from the actual transfers. This variance was mainly due to one member company group transferring a higher number of vehicles to the RSP in June than projected.

The chart on the left shows the overall change in the **month**, broken down by member company group changes (each blue or red bar represents the change for a single member company group), sorted by magnitude of change. Six member company groups transferred fewer vehicles to the RSP this month compared with a year ago, while four transferred more. Of the 6 member company groups transferring fewer vehicles, 1 member

company group accounted for 90% of the total transfer decrease for these "decliner" members. Of the 4 member company groups transferring more vehicles, 1 member company group accounted for 80% of the total transfer increase for these "grower" members.

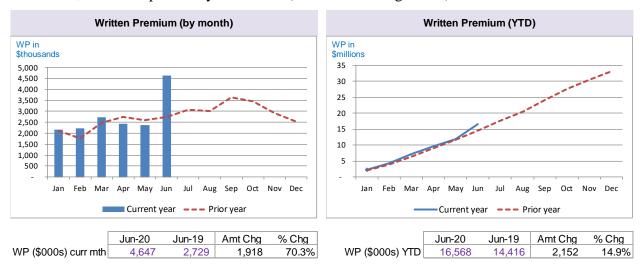


The chart on the left presents the same information as the previous chart, but on a **year-to-date** basis. That is, it shows the overall change in transfer counts year-to-date, broken down by member company group changes (each blue or red bar represents the change for a single member company group),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

June's vehicle count transfers to the RSP represent a 54.4% <u>increase</u> from June 2019, and counts were up 8.5% year-to-date. Average written premium was up 10.3% in June 2020, and up 5.9% year-to date (see the following charts).



As a result of the movements in transfer vehicle counts and average written premium, the transferred premium was up 70.3% for the month compared with the 24.1% <u>in</u>crease we projected last month, and was up 14.9% year-to-date (see the following charts).



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# **Related links:**

Nova Scotia RSP June 2020 Operational Report – Actuarial Highlights
\*For additional details on Actual vs Projected variances, IBNR, and valuation (if applicable)

#### **SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS - CALENDAR YEAR 2020**

Risk Sharing Pool - Nova Scotia
Operating Results for the 6 Months Ended June 30, 2020 (Discounted basis)
Source: Monthly Operational Report

(thousands of dollars)

	January	February	March	April	May	June	CY2020 YTD	CY2020 12 MONTHS Updated Projection	CY2019 12 MONTHS Actual
Underwriting Revenue:	•	•		•	-				
Net Premiums Written	\$2,168	\$2,212	\$2,731	\$2,443	\$2,367	\$4,647	\$16,568	\$40,113	\$33,046
Decrease (Increase) in Unearned Premiums	657	464	(4)	320	492	(1,887)	42	(4,545)	(2,781)
Net Premiums Earned	\$2,825	\$2,676	\$2,727	\$2,763	\$2,859	\$2,760	\$16,610	\$35,568	\$30,265
Claims Incurred:									
Prior Accident Years:									
Undiscounted	(\$17)	(\$11)	\$567	(\$24)	\$139	(\$32)	\$622	\$622	\$107
Effect of Discounting	92	(50)	(292)	(38)	1,154	(60)	806	277	249
Discounted	\$75	(\$61)	\$275	(\$62)	\$1,293	(\$92)	\$1,428	\$899	\$356
Current Accident Year:									
Undiscounted	\$2,802	\$2,651	\$3,195	\$2,873	\$2,465	\$2,783	\$16,769	\$35,651	\$29,858
Effect of Discounting	200	176	94	154	525	230	1,379	2,648	1,505
Discounted	\$3,002	\$2,827	\$3,289	\$3,027	\$2,990	\$3,013	\$18,148	\$38,299	\$31,363
Claims Incurred	\$3,077	\$2,766	\$3,564	\$2,965	\$4,283	\$2,921	\$19,576	\$39,198	\$31,719
Underwriting Expenses: Expense Allowance Change in UPDR/DPAC:	\$689	\$701	\$867	\$775	\$751	\$1,474	\$5,257	\$12,718	\$10,247
Undiscounted	3	11	792	14	(473)	167	514	1.795	279
Effect of Discounting	(42)	(33)	(20)	(21)	416	187	487	1,024	504
Discounted	(39)	(22)	772	(7)	(57)	354	1,001	2,819	783
Underwriting Expenses	\$650	\$679	\$1,639	\$768	\$694	\$1,828	\$6,258	\$15,537	\$11,030
Net Underwriting Gain (Loss)	(\$902)	(\$769)	(\$2,476)	(\$970)	(\$2,118)	(\$1,989)	(\$9,224)	(\$19,167)	(\$12,484)
Administrative Expenses	\$60	\$85	\$61	\$70	\$67	\$75	\$418	\$1,050	\$753
Operating Result	(\$962)	(\$854)	(\$2,537)	(\$1,040)	(\$2,185)	(\$2,064)	(\$9,642)	(\$20,217)	(\$13,237)
Ratios: Claims & Expenses Incurred (Earned)									
Prior Accident Years	2.7%	-2.3%	10.1%	-2.2%	45.2%	-3.3%	8.6%	2.5%	1.2%
Current Accident Year All Accident Years Combined	106.3%	105.6%	120.6%	109.6%	104.6%	109.2%	109.3%	107.7%	103.6%
Underwriting & Administrative Expenses (Earned)	109.0% 25.1%	103.3% 28.6%	130.7% 62.3%	107.4% 30.3%	149.8% 26.6%	105.9% 68.9%	117.9% 40.2%	110.2% 46.6%	104.8% 38.9%
Combined Operating Ratio	134.1%	131.9%	193.0%	137.7%	176.4%	174.8%	158.1%	156.8%	143.7%
Combined Operating Natio	134.1%	131.3%	193.0 /6	131.176	170.476	174.07	130.1%	130.0%	143.7%

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 Facilty Association premium dollars invested directly by members.

Rounding difference may apply

EXHIBIT 1