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July 1, 2019

The Honorable Ned Lamont Governor, State of Connecticut State Capitol Building Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Governor Lamont,

Enclosed you will find the *Annual Report of the Financial Condition of the Second Injury Fund* as required by Section 31-349f of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The Second Injury Fund (hereinafter referred to as the "Fund") continues to be financially stable and has accomplished a number of noteworthy milestones during fiscal year 2019.

- On May 1, 2019, I announced that assessment rates for insured and self-insured employers will remain unchanged. The current rate for insured employers will be 2.25%, while the rate for self-insured employers will continue to be 2.75%.
- The effect of the rate reduction announced for FY2019 resulted in cumulative savings totaling \$12.23 million; including \$5.96 million FY2020 projected savings for Connecticut businesses.
- The Fund continues to reduce its long-term unfunded liabilities, which fell from \$309 million in 2018 to \$286 million, or 7 percent.
- During fiscal year 2019, the Fund achieved an estimated savings of \$3.2 million in medical costs which lessened the long-term financial burden on Connecticut's businesses and taxpayers.

These accomplishments are a result of prudent fiscal policies which enabled the Fund to pass along savings to Connecticut businesses without compromising any benefits due to injured workers.

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If you have any questions concerning the financial condition of the Fund, please feel free to call on me or Assistant Treasurer Maria M. Greenslade at (860) 702-3125.

Sincerely,

Shawn T. Wooden

State Treasurer

Enclosure

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECOND INJURY FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019

As of 06/26/19

## 1. Estimate of the Fund's unfunded liability as of preceding July first (July 1, 2018):

- A. The unfunded liability of the Second Injury Fund as of July 1, 2018 had been estimated at \$309,500,000.
- B. The unfunded liability of the Second Injury Fund as of **July 1, 2019** is estimated at \$285,700,000.

	# Open Claims	Reserve Value
Claim Inventory 7/1/19	2,579	\$ 283,200,000
* Estimated Future Claims (FY 2020)	400	2,500,000
Total Estimated Liability as of 6/26/19		\$ 285,700,000

<sup>\*</sup> Anticipated uninsured employer and concurrent employment claims incurred but not reported as of 6/26/19

## 2. The effect of settlements and stipulations on the unfunded liability:

During FY 2019 SIF paid 205 settlements at a cost of \$5,490,411.

3. The number and actual amount of assessments levied under section 31-354 for the previous fiscal year (FY2019):

Category	# of Assessments	Amounts
Insured Employers	4	\$ 26,351,778 (est)
Self-Insured Employers	4	5,106,181 (est)
Total		\$ 31,457,959

4. The number and estimated amount of assessments for the coming year (FY2020):

<u>Category</u>	# of Assessments	Amounts
Insured Employers	4	\$ 22,928,000
Self-Insured Employers	4	4,782,000
Total		\$ 27,710,000

5. Any recommendation for legislative change to improve the operation of the Fund:

No recommendations for legislative change at this time.