STATE OF OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS SERVICES
DIVISION OF FINANCIAL REGULATION

In the Matter of:	Case No. INS-17-0049
STEVEN FARAH, Respondent.	FINAL ORDER SUSPENDING LICENSE, ENTERED BY DEFAULT

On May 3, 2017, the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services for the State of Oregon ("Director"), by and through the Division of Financial Regulation ("Division"), properly served Notice on STEVEN FARAH ("Respondent") proposing to suspend his resident insurance producer license.

The Notice offered Respondent an opportunity for a hearing, if requested within 30 days. The Notice further informed Respondent that if a hearing was not conducted because Respondent did not timely request a hearing or otherwise defaulted, then the designated portion of the Director's file and all materials submitted by Respondent in this case would automatically become part of the contested case record for the purpose of proving a *prima facie* case.

The Director did not receive from Respondent a request for a hearing and did not conduct a hearing.

The Director finds that the record of this proceeding proves a *prima facie* case.

The Director makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Orders, and Notice of Right to Judicial Appeal.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Director FINDS that:

1. Respondent is licensed through the Division of Financial Regulation

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("Division") as an Oregon resident insurance producer. Respondent's first active date was March 12, 1990. His NAIC national producer number is 1321085.

2. On April 10, 2017, the Department of Revenue ("Department") issued a Request for License Suspension ("Request") to the Division.

3. The Request states that Respondent has neglected or refused to file tax return(s) or pay tax. Department has not been able to collect payment through other collection methods and Respondent has not filed a good-faith appeal.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Director CONCLUDES that:

4. Respondent is licensed with the Division as an "insurance producer" as defined by Oregon Revised Statutes ("ORS") 731.104.

5. Pursuant to ORS 305.380, the Division is an "agency" as used in ORS 305.585.

6. Under ORS 305.385(c), upon the written request of the Department and after a hearing and notice to the licensee as required under applicable provision of law, the agency shall suspend the person's license if the agency finds that the returns and taxes have not been filed or paid and that the licensee has not filed in good faith a petition before the Department contesting the tax and the Department has been unable to obtain payment of the tax through other methods of collection. For the purpose of the agency's findings, the written representation to that effect by the Department to the agency shall constitute prima facie evidence of the person's failure to file returns or pay the tax. The Department shall have the right to intervene in any license suspension proceeding.

ORDER

Now therefore, the Director issues the following Orders:

7. The Director, pursuant to ORS 305.385(c), hereby SUSPENDS Respondent's Oregon resident insurance producer license.

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SO ORDERED this 13th day of June, 2017 in Salem, Oregon.

PATRICK M. ALLEN, Director
Department of Consumer and Business Services

/s/ David Tatman
David C. Tatman, Chief of Enforcement
Division of Financial Regulation

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL APPEAL

You are entitled to judicial review of this order in accordance with ORS 183.482. You may request judicial review by filing a petition with the Court of Appeals in Salem, Oregon, within 60 days from the date this order is served.

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