## IN THE COMMONWEALTH COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

In Re: Penn Treaty Network America

Insurance Company in Rehabilitation : No. 1 PEN 2009

In Re: American Network Insurance

Company in Rehabilitation : No. 1 ANI 2009

REPLY BRIEF IN FURTHER SUPPORT OF THE FIRST QUARTER 2016 SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR RELIEF OF THE INTERVENORS EUGENE J. WOZNICKI AND PENN TREATY AMERICAN CORPORATION TO RECOVER PROFESSIONAL FEES, COSTS AND OTHER EXPENSES

The Intervenors respond below to the arguments raised in the Rehabilitator's May 16, 2016 Response with just a few important points:

- The Court's September 9, 2015 Decision. The Rehabilitator's Response vaguely incorporates her August 17, 2015 Brief filed in opposition to the Intervenors' Second Quarter 2015 Application, but does not identify to which arguments in particular she refers. The Intervenors addressed the Rehabilitator's August 17, 2015 Brief in their August 28, 2015 Reply Brief, which is incorporated herein by reference. This Court should grant the First Quarter 2016 Application for the same reasons that the Court granted the Second Quarter 2015 Application set forth in the Court's Memorandum and Opinion filed on September 9, 2015.
- Grant Thornton LLP. The Rehabilitator argues that \$45,738 of Grant
  Thornton LLP's fees and expenses should not be reimbursed because that firm was jointly
  retained by the Intervenors and Broadbill Partners, LP ("Broadbill"). Since Broadbill intervened
  in this proceeding, it has been assisting Woznicki and PTAC in the defense against the
  Rehabilitator's efforts to liquidate the companies, and has staunchly advocated in support of the
  continued rehabilitation of the Companies. This is demonstrated in detail by Broadbill's Formal
  Comments filed August 30, 2013 to the Rehabilitator's April 2013 Plan, and Broadbill's Formal
  Comments filed February 13, 2015 to the Rehabilitator's Second Amended Plan, which are

incorporated herein by reference. Grant Thornton's retention has aided the parties in addressing

potential settlement approaches to this dispute and by addressing certain potential tax risks to the

estates of the Companies. Under the terms of the joint retention of Grant Thornton, LLP, the

Intervenors are responsible for paying that firm's fees and expenses in total. Accordingly, the

Intervenors are entitled to recover their reasonable costs and fees related to Grant Thornton, LLP

in the amount of \$45,738.

Reasonableness of the Relief Sought. The Rehabilitator has not and

cannot argue that the Intervenors have retained an excessive number of professionals or are

charging unreasonable rates in relation to the importance of these rehabilitation proceedings or

by comparison to the number of professionals and rates charged by other professionals working

in the rehabilitation arena including other parties and intervenors to this proceeding. Jointly

retaining Grant Thornton, LLP has served to minimize the costs and fees sought to be reimbursed

by, inter alia, reducing the number of witnesses deposed and who may be called to testify at any

hearing in this matter.

WHEREFORE, the Intervenors respectfully request the Application to be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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