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August 1, 2016

Via E-mail and U.S. Mail

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Re: In the Matter of the Rehabilitation of Segregated Account of

Ambac Assurance Corporation;

Dane County Circuit Court Case No. 10 CV 1576

Dear Ms. Welch:

I am responding to your July 25, 2016 letter requesting that the Rehabilitator of the Segregated Account of Ambac Assurance Corporation consent to your clients taking discovery from the Rehabilitator in connection with the Rehabilitator's pending Motion to Confirm and Declare the Nature of These Proceedings.

The Rehabilitator does not agree to the taking of such discovery as he does not believe that any discovery is necessary or relevant for the Court to resolve the pending motion. In the motion, the Rehabilitator merely asks the Court to concisely restate a subset of the existing factual record and Court's orders in these proceedings. No new factual issues are raised in the motion. For example, you request discovery relating to the statements in paragraph 20 of the Rehabilitator's motion. Paragraph 20, however, relates solely to findings of fact already made by the Court in its Confirmation Order. Nothing in the Rehabilitator's Motion would require the Court to reopen those existing findings. Moreover, even if such discovery were not irrelevant and unnecessary, much of the information you requested is subject to the attorney-client privilege and the Commissioner of Insurance's statutory privilege of non-disclosure set forth in Wis. Stat. § 601.465.

You should also be aware that the Wisconsin Court of Appeals has held that "interested parties are not entitled to discovery in this rehabilitation proceeding." *Nickel v. Wells Fargo Bank*, 2013 WI App 129, ¶ 113, 351 Wis. 2d 539, 841 N.W.2d 482. As a result, the judge presiding over the rehabilitation proceedings has ordered that "interested parties may not seek to take



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discovery of any type in this proceeding without leave of this Court." I have enclosed a copy of that Order.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Simmons

Enclosure

STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH 9



In the Matter of the Rehabilitation of:

Segregated Account of Ambac Assurance Corporation

Case No. 10 CV 1576

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ORDER

DANE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

(I) DENYING MOTION FOR ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

(II) GRANTING MOTIONS TO QUASH NOTICE OF DEPOSITION and
(III) STATING PROCEDURES FOR DISCOVERY BY INTERESTED PARTIES

This matter came before the Court on: (1) the CarVal Holders' motion for an order to show cause why the Commissioner of Insurance, as Court-appointed Rehabilitator for the Segregated Account of Ambac Assurance Corporation, should not increase the Interim Payment Percentage for allowed claims pursuant to the Amended Plan of Rehabilitation; and (2) the Rehabilitator's and Ambac's motions to quash the CarVal Holders' notice of deposition of Ambac Assurance Corporation.

For the reasons set forth on the record at the March 29, 2016 hearing in this matter, the Court hereby orders as follows:

- The CarVal Holders' motion for an order to show cause is DENIED.
- 2. The Rehabilitator's and Ambac's motions to quash the CarVal Holders' notice of deposition are GRANTED.

¹ The "CarVal Holders" consist of the following entities: CVI GVF (Lux) Master S.A.r.l.; CVF Lux Securities Trading S.A.r.l.; CVI CVF II Lux Securities Trading S.a.r.l.; CVI CVF III Lux Securities S.a.r.l.; CVIC Lux Securities Trading S.a.r.l.; CVIC II Lux Securities Trading S.a.r.l.; CVI AA Lux Securities S.a.r.l.; CVI CHVF Lux Securities S.a.r.l.; CarVal GCF Lux Securities S.a.r.l.; and CVI HH Investments LP.

3. The Court further directs all interested parties to adhere to the below procedures with regard to discovery. The Court of Appeals has held that "interested parties are not entitled to discovery in this rehabilitation proceeding." *Nickel v. Wells Fargo Bank*, 2013 WI App 129, ¶ 113, 351 Wis. 2d 539, 841 N.W.2d 482. Accordingly, interested parties may not seek to take discovery of any type in this proceeding without leave of this Court. An interested party that wishes to take discovery may seek leave to do so by filing a motion with the Court, stating the basis for the request, together with supporting information. Upon receiving a request for leave to take discovery, the Court will either deny leave or request a response from the Rehabilitator, Ambac or other respondent. The Rehabilitator, Ambac or other respondent shall not respond to a request for leave to take discovery unless so ordered by the Court.

Dated this 5 day of April, 2016

BY THE COURT:

Honorable Richard G Niges