

# **Insurability of the Coast**

## **4<sup>th</sup> Presidents' Forum on Meeting Coastal Challenges**

June 16, 2008, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Hotel Monteleone

214 Rue Royale

New Orleans, LA 70130

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### **8:30 – 9:00 AM – Coffee**

### **9:00 – 9:15 AM – WELCOME**

- R. King Milling, Vice Chairman, Whitney Bank
- William Jenkins, President Emeritus, Louisiana State University
- James J. Donelon, Commissioner, Louisiana Department of Insurance

### **9:15 – 10:15 AM – SESSION 1**

*(Moderator: James J. Donelon, Commissioner, Louisiana Department of Insurance)*

#### **CONGRESSIONAL ROUNDTABLE: RECENT ACTIVITY FROM THE FEDERAL LEVEL**

- Hot off the Press: What has happened in recent activity in the federal government. Federal delegation discussion and overview of new laws and federal information (Representative Jefferson, Representative Melancon attending; Senator Vitter invited).

### **10:15 – 10:30 AM – BREAK**

### **10:30 – 11:45 AM – SESSION II**

*(Moderator: Ed O'Brien, Deputy Commissioner of Property and Casualty, Louisiana Department of Insurance)*

#### **INSURANCE OVERVIEW**

- Public providers – (John Wortman, CEO, Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation)
- Private providers – (Bill Newton, Louisiana State Director, GeoVera Insurance)
- Surplus line insurance – (Joe Gunset, General Counsel, Lloyd's America Incorporated)
- Reinsurance – (Cory Schilling, Senior Vice President, Benfield Incorporated)
- Crop insurance – (Rock Davis, Director, USDA Risk Management Agency- Jackson Regional Office)

### **11:45 – 1:00 PM – LUNCH & PANEL SESSION I**

*(Moderator: James J. Donelon, Commissioner, Louisiana Department of Insurance)*

#### **“ISSUES DU JOUR”**

- James J. Donelon, Commissioner of Insurance, Louisiana Department of Insurance
- Kevin McCarty, Insurance Commissioner, Florida Office of Insurance Regulation

- Mike Chaney, Commissioner of Insurance and State Fire Marshal, Mississippi Insurance Department
- Dewey Parsons, Deputy Commissioner, Alabama Insurance Department
- Hector Cora Cadiz, Executive Aide, Office of the Commissioner of Insurance of Puerto Rico

### **1:00 – 1:45 PM – SESSION III**

*(Moderator: Rod Emmer, Associate Professor of Research, Louisiana Sea Grant College Program)*

#### **FLOOD INSURANCE**

- Brief history of the National Flood Insurance Program (Joe Sloan, National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) specialist, FEMA)
- Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief & Emergency Assistance Act waiver (Richard Kinne, Director of Response and Recovery, James Lee Witt Associates)
- Excess flood insurance private sector– (John Beckmann, III, Vice President, J. Everett Eaves)

### **1:45 – 3:00 PM – SESSION IV**

*(Moderator: Jim Wilkins, Director, Louisiana Sea Grant Law & Policy Program)*

#### **HAZARD MITIGATION**

- Land use planning – (Mike Hollier, Planning Manager, Lafayette City-Parish)
- Statewide Uniform Building Code – (Leslie Chapman-Henderson, President & CEO, Federal Alliance for Safe Homes Incorporated - FLASH)
- Insurance and coastal restoration – (Dr. Nicholas Flores, Professor and Department Chair of Economics, University of Colorado, Boulder)
- Tina Horn – (Private Citizen, Cameron Parish)

### **3:00 – 3:15 PM – BREAK**

### **3:15 – 5:00 PM – PANEL SESSION II**

*(Moderator: Mike Chaney, Commissioner of Insurance and State Fire Marshal, Mississippi Insurance Department)*

#### ***Possible solutions to insurance problems***

- Federal perspective (Richard Kinne, Director of Response and Recovery, James Lee Witt Associates)
- State perspective (James J. Donelon, Commissioner, Louisiana Department of Insurance)
- Local perspective (Michel Claudet, President, Terrebonne Parish)
- Private sector (James Drawert, Vice President, Republic Insurance Group)

