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CONSUMER ALERT

Department of Insurance Learns Former Insurance Producer Still Conducting Business on a Revoked License

CHICAGO - January 30, 2014. The Illinois Department of Insurance (DOI) has received notification that Tina Ledbetter of T & J's Insurance Agency of Smithton is continuing to act as an insurance producer although her license was revoked effective November 10, 2013. The revocation has been reported to the Regulatory Information Retrieval System (RIRS) database and other states are notified through that database. Consumers who have been doing business with Ms. Ledbetter or have a policy issued through T & J's Insurance Agency should immediately seek assistance about their life, health, fire or casualty insurance coverage.

The Department is advising consumers to contact their local law enforcement and the Attorney General's office to file complaints.

Tina Ledbetter and T & J's Insurance Agency, Smithton - Insurance producer and business entity licenses revoked effective November 10, 2013. Ms. Ledbetter had been licensed to sell life, health, fire and casualty since 2003. T & J Insurance Agency had been a licensed business entity since 2004. The licenses were revoked as a result of an investigation, which revealed that Ms. Ledbetter failed to forward premiums to an insurer and failed to facilitate and aid the Director in the investigation. The Order of Revocation included a \$10,000 civil penalty

Consumers in need of information or assistance should visit the Department's web site at insurance.illinois.gov or call our toll-free hotline at (866) 445-5364.

More Information

The Department's mission is to protect consumers by providing assistance and information, by efficiently regulating the insurance industry's market behavior and financial solvency, and by fostering a competitive insurance marketplace. The Illinois Department of Insurance assists consumers with all insurance complaints, including health, auto, life, and homeowner.

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