# NAIC CLIMATE RISK DISCLOSURE SURVEY TCFD-ALIGNED QUESTIONS UPDATED 2022

# **GOVERNANCE**

- 1. Disclose the insurer's governance around climate-related risks and opportunities. In disclosing the insurer's governance around climate-related risks and opportunities insurers should consider including the following:
  - Identify and include any publicly stated goals on climate-related risks and opportunities.
  - Describe where climate-related disclosure is handled within the insurer's structure, e.g., at a group level, entity level, or a combination. If handled at the group level, describe what activities are undertaken at the company level.
  - A. Describe the board and/or committee responsible for the oversight of climate-related risks and opportunities.

In describing the position on the board and/or committee responsible for the oversight of managing the climate-related financial risks, insurers should consider including the following:

- Describe the position on the board and/or committee responsible for the oversight of managing the climate-related financial risks.
- B. Describe management's role in assessing and managing climate-related risks and opportunities.

# **RESPONSE TO GOVERNANCE:**

Copic Insurance Company ("Copic") provides medical professional and general liability lines of insurance to physicians, advanced practice providers, hospitals, and medical facilities. Copic does not have any publicly stated goals on climate-related risks. Copic's Leadership Team assesses and manages climate-related risks and opportunities, including through the Enterprise Risk Management Plan, which is spearheaded by the CFO and the General Counsel. Copic's physical office is located in Denver, Colorado, and Office Services is responsible for management of building efficiency. Copic's Information Technology department with the support of the Compliance Committee, manages and implements its Business Interruption Plan to address climate-related risks.

# **STRATEGY**

2. Disclose the actual and potential impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities on the insurer's businesses, strategy, and financial planning where such information is material.

In disclosing the actual and potential impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities on the insurer's businesses, strategy and financial planning, insurers should consider including the following:

- Describe the steps the insurer has taken to engage key constituencies on the topic of climate risk and resiliency. \*
- Describe the insurer's plan to assess, reduce, or mitigate its greenhouse gas emissions in its operations or organizations. \*
- A. Describe the climate-related risks and opportunities the insurer has identified over the short, medium, and long term.

In describing the climate-related risks and opportunities the insurer has identified over the short, medium, and longer term, insurers should consider including the following:

• Define short, medium, and long-term, if different than 1-5 years as short term, 5-10 years as medium term, and 10-30 years as long term.

B. Describe the impact of climate-related risks and opportunities on the insurer's business, strategy, and financial planning.

In describing the impact of climate-related risks and opportunities on the insurer's business, strategy, and financial planning, insurers should consider including the following:

- Discuss if and how the insurer provides products or services to support the transition to a low carbon economy or helps customers adapt to climate-related risk.
- Discuss if and how the insurer makes investments to support the transition to a low carbon economy.
- C. Describe the resilience of the insurer's strategy, taking into consideration different climate-related scenarios, including a 2 degree Celsius or lower scenario.

#### **RESPONSE TO STRATEGY:**

Copic's office is located in Denver, Colorado. Copic aims to maintain a score of 80 or above in Annual Energy Star benchmarking and certification. To achieve this goal, Copic recently updated its building to utilize motion-sensor lights, replaced all fixtures with LED lights throughout the building and parking lot, and installed controllers on its sprinkler system to improve water usage. Copic also participates in a recycling program for office paper cardboard, plastic bottles and aluminum cans, and has maintained its Energy Star rating by replacing RTU's and will have all VAV and FPBs replaced by the end of 2025. The building has a white membrane roof, a Smart Start HVAC system that monitors outside temps and enables morning warm up more efficiently, and an evaporative cooling system that allows HVAC to operate more efficiently when temperatures are above 80 degrees.

Copic aims to reduce the need for lengthy or excessive travel through a mostly virtual work model for its staff. Copic also consolidated its risk-management Symposium and Forum into one annual conference, and created smaller regional conferences. Copic embraces the opportunity to utilize virtual platforms for presentations to support its customers to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

- 3. Disclose how the insurer identifies, assesses, and manages climate-related risks. In disclosing how the insurer identifies, assesses, and manages climate-related risks, insurers should consider including the following:
  - Describe how the insurer considers the impact of climate related risks on its underwriting portfolio, and how the company is managing its underwriting exposure with respect to physical, transition and liability risk. \*
  - Describe any steps the insurer has taken to encourage policyholders to manage their potential physical and transition climate related risks, if applicable. \*
  - Describe how the insurer has considered the impact of climate-related risks on its investment portfolio, including what investment classes have been considered. \*
  - A. Describe the insurers' processes for identifying and assessing climate-related risks.

In describing the insurers' processes for identifying and assessing climate-related risks, insurers should consider including the following:

- Discuss whether the process includes an assessment of financial implications and how frequently the process is completed. \*
- B. Describe the insurer's processes for managing climate-related risks.
- C. Describe how processes for identifying, assessing, and managing climate-related risks are integrated into the insurer's overall risk management.

In describing how processes for identifying, assessing, and managing climate-related risks are integrated into the insurer's overall risk management, insurers should consider including the following:

• Discuss whether climate-related risks are addressed through the insurer's general enterprise-risk management process or a separate process and how frequently the process is completed.

- Discuss the climate scenarios utilized by the insurer to analyze its underwriting risks, including which risk factors the scenarios consider, what types of scenarios are used, and what timeframes are considered.
- Discuss the climate scenarios utilized by the insurer to analyze risks on its investments, including which risk factors are utilized, what types of scenarios are used, and what timeframes are considered.

#### **RESPONSE TO RISK MANAGEMENT:**

Copic uses the Enterprise Risk Management Plan as a tool that may identify, assess, and manage climate-related risks and opportunities. Copic also considers the potential impact and management of climate-related risks, including fire, in its Business Interruption/Disaster Recovery Plan. Copic manages identified and assessed risks by regularly evaluating the aforementioned plans, and implementing additional procedures if necessary. The Compliance Committee considers overall risk management for Copic to allow input across multiple departments to evaluate climate scenarios, as necessary.

### METRICS AND TARGETS

4. Disclose the metrics and targets used to assess and manage relevant collateralized risks and opportunities where such information is material.

In disclosing the metrics and targets used to assess and manage relevant collateralized risks and opportunities where such information is material, insurers should consider including the following:

- Discuss how the insurer uses catastrophe modeling to manage the climate-related risks to your business. Please specify for which climate-related risks the insurer uses catastrophe models to assess, if any.
- A. Disclose the metrics used by the insurer to assess climate-related risks and opportunities in line with its strategy and risk management process.

In disclosing the metrics used by the insurer to assess climate-related risks and opportunities in line with its strategy and risk management process, insurers should consider including the following:

- In describing the metrics used by the insurer to assess and monitor climate risks, consider the amount of exposure to business lines, sectors, and geographies vulnerable to climate-related physical risks [answer in absolute amounts and percentages if possible], alignment with climate scenarios, [1 in 100 years probable maximum loss, Climate VaR, carbon intensity], and the amount of financed or underwritten carbon emissions.
- B. Disclose Scope 1, Scope 2, and if appropriate, Scope 3 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and the related risks.
- C. Describe the targets used by the insurer to manage climate-related risks and opportunities and performance against targets.

## **RESPONSE TO METRICS AND TARGETS:**

Copic utilizes a rating score system in its Enterprise Risk Management Plan as a metric for tracking material risks to the company and to analyze and consider changes year over year. Copic targets a score of 80 or above in Annual Energy Star benchmarking and certification. Copic does not use any other metrics for greenhouse gas emissions.

<sup>\*</sup> Asterisks represent questions derived from the original Climate Risk Disclosure Survey.