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S.C. SUPREME COURT

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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
Clerk of Court
Supreme Court of South Carolina
1231 Gervais Street
Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Ex Parte: Hartford Fire Insurance Company In Re: The Harbour Cove
Condominium Association
Appellate Case No.: 2017-002146

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I write on behalf of Appellants Hartford Fire Insurance Company and Hartford Casualty Insurance Company (collectively "Hartford"), to provide the Court information regarding this appeal, scheduled to be argued at 10:30 a.m. on October 18, 2018.

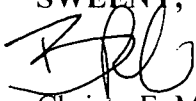
As the Court is aware, most of these consolidated appeals were previously dismissed pursuant to settlements of the underlying claims. The only remaining Appellants are National Fire Insurance Company ("National Fire") and Hartford, who both insured Coastal Plaster.

Late last night, National Fire and Hartford reached a settlement in principle with respect to the Respondent's claims against Coastal Plaster. A condition of the settlement proposal, as presented to Hartford, was that Hartford join in a motion to dismiss this appeal. Hartford has agreed to the settlement and the motion to dismiss because Hartford has concluded that the settlement is in the insured's best interest, notwithstanding Hartford's strong interest in obtaining guidance from this Court on the issues briefed in this appeal. The parties will be separately filing the motion to dismiss.

We sincerely apologize for the lateness of this notification.

Yours truly,

SWEENY, WINGATE & BARROW, P.A.


For Christy E. Mahon

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