

BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

In Re:	:	Pursuant to Sections 1401, 1402,
	:	and 1403 of the Insurance
Application of Dr. Scott Rifkin and Bruce	:	Holding Companies Act, Article
Grindrod, Jr. Requesting Exemption from	:	XIV of the Insurance Company
the Requirements of 40 P.S. §991.1402 for	:	Law of 1921, Act of May 17, 1921,
the Restructuring of its Holding Company	:	P.L. 682, <u>as amended</u> , 40 P.S.
System that Includes Provider Partners	:	§§991.1401, 991.1402, and
Health Plan of Pennsylvania, Inc.	:	991.1403
	:	:
	:	Order No. ID-RC-16-07

DECISION AND ORDER

AND NOW, on this 14th day of July, 2016, Joseph DiMemmo, Deputy Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (“Deputy Commissioner”), hereby makes the following Decision and Order:

Pursuant to the Insurance Holding Companies Act and in consideration of the documents, presentations and reports received, as well as other inquiries and studies as permitted by law, the Deputy Commissioner hereby makes the following findings of fact:

FINDINGS OF FACT

Identity of the Parties

1. Provider Partners Health Plan of Pennsylvania, Inc. (“PPHP”) is a domestic for-profit health maintenance organization organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its statutory home office located in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.
2. Westminster Health Care, LLC (“Westminster”) is a recently formed Maryland limited liability company that was created to act as a holding company for PPHP.

3. Dr. Scott Rifkin (“Dr. Rifkin”) is an individual with his primary business address in Timonium, Maryland. Dr. Rifkin currently directly holds 60.75% of the issued and outstanding stock of PPHP, and currently directly holds 60.75% of the ownership interest of Westminster.
4. Bruce Grindrod, Jr. (“Mr. Grindrod”) is an individual with his primary business address in Timonium, Maryland. Mr. Grindrod currently directly holds 25% of the issued and outstanding stock of PPHP, and currently directly holds 25% of the ownership interest of Westminster.
5. No other person controls 10% or more of the voting securities of PPHP.
6. Dr. Rifkin and Mr. Grindrod are the ultimate controlling persons of PPHP.

Filing of the Application

7. On March 28, 2016, the Insurance Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (“Department”) received an initial request (which together with all material received subsequently is collectively referenced as “Application”) from Dr. Rifkin and Mr. Grindrod for approval to restructure their holding company system that includes PPHP.
8. The Insurance Holding Companies Act, Article XIV of the Insurance Company Law of 1921, Act of May 17, 1921, P.L. 682, as amended, 40 P.S. §§991.1401 et seq. (“Insurance Holding Companies Act”), provides that all transactions affecting the control of a domestic insurer must be filed with the Department for approval or disapproval.
9. The Application was filed pursuant to Section 1402 of the Insurance Holding Companies Act.
10. Section 1402(g) of the Insurance Holding Companies Act provides for the exemption from the requirements of Section 1402(b) if the transaction:
 - a. does not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of a domestic insurer, or
 - b. is otherwise not comprehended within the purposes of the section.

The Transaction

11. As described in the Application, Dr. Rifkin, Mr. Grindrod and the other two minority owners will transfer 100% of the issued and outstanding stock of PPHP to Westminster.

12. As described in the Application, Dr. Rifkin, Mr. Grindrod and the other two minority owners have the exact same ownership percentages of Westminster as they had in PPHP prior to the transfer.
13. As described in the Application, Dr. Rifkin and Mr. Grindrod will remain as the ultimate controlling persons of PPHP.
14. The Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (“Commissioner”) has delegated to the Deputy Insurance Commissioner the authority to approve an application that would not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of a domestic insurer.
15. The Deputy Commissioner finds that the transaction described in the Application would not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of a domestic insurer.
16. If any of the above Findings of Fact are determined to be Conclusions of Law, they shall be incorporated in the Conclusions of Law as if fully set forth therein.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Under Section 1402 of the Insurance Holding Companies Act, the Department has jurisdiction to review and approve the acquisition of controlling securities of a domestic insurer if, after consummation thereof, the acquiring person would be in control of the domestic insurer.
2. The Insurance Commissioner has delegated authority to approve an application that would not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of a domestic insurer to the Deputy Insurance Commissioner.
3. The Deputy Commissioner has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter of this proceeding.
4. The Application was properly filed pursuant to and in accordance with Section 1402(g) of the Insurance Holding Companies Act.
5. The restructuring of the holding company system proposed in the Application is not being contemplated to change or influence the ultimate control of PPHP, and, therefore, is exempt from the requirements of Section 1402(b) of the Insurance Holding Companies Act.
6. If any of the above Conclusions of Law are determined to be Findings of Fact, they shall be incorporated in the Findings of Fact as if fully set forth therein.

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ORDER

Upon consideration of the foregoing, the Deputy Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby makes the following Order:

An approving determination for the application of Dr. Scott Rifkin and Bruce Grindrod, Jr. requesting exemption from the requirements of 40 P.S. §991.1402 for the restructuring of its holding company system that includes Provider Partners Health Plan of Pennsylvania, Inc., as set forth in the Application, is hereby granted.

This Order is effective immediately and valid for one year, provided there are no material changes to the representations provided in the application.



JOSEPH DIMEMMO
Deputy Insurance Commissioner
Office of Corporate and Financial Regulation