

RESOLUTION 37-21

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION
AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS
PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION REQUESTS (PARS) & SETTLEMENT (SARS)
RELATED TO PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

WHEREAS, the GLOUCESTER COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION (hereinafter "GCIC") is duly constituted as an Insurance Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:10-6 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the GCIC is subject to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires all meetings of public bodies be open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act further provides a public body may permissibly exclude the public from a portion of a meeting at which the public body discusses items per the Open Public Meetings Act at N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b.(1) thru (9) recognized as requiring confidentiality; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate for the GCIC to discuss certain matters in a meeting not open to the public consistent with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b.(7); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of said Gloucester County Insurance Commission pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act as follows:

The GCIC shall hold a closed session from which the public shall be excluded on April 22 2021. The general nature of the items to be discussed at said closed session shall include the following: the appropriateness of payment of statutorily required workers' compensation benefits, settlement authority if any or continuing defense of pending or anticipated litigation, discussion of litigation strategy, position the GCIC will take in said litigation, strengths and weaknesses of GCIC's position in said litigation.

The specific litigation is identified by the claim number assigned by Inservco and or Qual-Lynx in its capacity as the third-party claims administrator, name of the claimant, date of loss, workers' compensation petition number and/or court assigned docket number which is set forth in the attached list which list is also appended to the GCIC monthly meeting agenda for April 22, 2021 which agenda has been timely posted per the Open Public Meetings Act.

The minutes of said closed session shall be made available for disclosure to the public consistent with N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 when the items which are the subject of the closed session discussions are resolved and the reasons for confidentiality as to both the GCIC and the claimant no longer exist.

ADOPTED by THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY INSURANCE COMMISSION at a properly noticed meeting held on April 22, 2021.

ADOPTED: 

TIMOTHY SHEEHAN, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: 

MICHAEL BURKE, VICE CHAIRMAN