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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE ENHANCEMENT ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE FORM

With respect to coverage afforded by this endorsement, the provisions of the policy apply unless modified by the endorsement.

If the policy to which this endorsement is attached also contains a Business Auto Coverage Enhancement Endorsement with a specific state named in the title, this endorsement does not apply to vehicles garaged in that specified state.

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SECTION I - COVERED AUTOS is amended as follows:

1. TRAILERS - INCREASED LOAD CAPACITY

The following replaces Paragraph C.1. Certain Trailers, Mobile Equipment And Temporary Substitute Autos of SECTION I - COVERED AUTOS:

"Trailers" with a load capacity of 3,000 pounds or less designed primarily for travel on public roads.

SECTION II - LIABILITY COVERAGE is amended as follows:

2. NEWLY FORMED OR ACQUIRED SUBSIDIARIES

SECTION II – LIABILITY COVERAGE, Paragraph **A.1. Who Is An Insured** is amended to include the following as an "insured":

- **d.** Any legally incorporated subsidiary of which you own more than 50 percent interest during the policy period. Coverage is afforded only for 90 days from the date of acquisition or formation. However, "insured" does not include any organization that:
 - (1) Is a partnership or joint venture; or
 - (2) Is an "insured" under any other automobile policy except a policy written specifically to apply in excess of this policy; or
 - (3) Has exhausted its Limit of Insurance or had its policy terminated under any other automobile policy.

Coverage under this provision **d.** does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" that occurred before you acquired or formed the organization.

3. EMPLOYEES AS INSUREDS

SECTION II – LIABILITY COVERAGE, Paragraph **A.1. Who Is An Insured** is amended to include the following as an "insured":

- **e.** Any "employee" of yours while using a covered "auto" you do not own, hire or borrow but only for acts within the scope of their employment by you. Insurance provided by this endorsement is excess over any other insurance available to any "employee".
- f. Any "employee" of yours while operating an "auto" hired or borrowed under a written contract or agreement in that "employee's" name, with your permission, while performing duties related to the conduct of your business and within the scope of their employment. Insurance provided by this endorsement is excess over any other insurance available to the "employee".

4. ADDITIONAL INSURED BY CONTRACT, AGREEMENT OR PERMIT

SECTION II – LIABILITY COVERAGE, Paragraph **A.1. Who Is An Insured** is amended to include the following as an "insured":

g. Any person or organization with respect to the operation, maintenance or use of a covered "auto", provided that you and such person or organization have agreed in a written contract, written agreement, or permit issued to you by governmental or public authority, to add such person, or organization, or governmental or public authority to this policy as an "insured".

However, such person or organization is an "insured":

- (1) Only with respect to the operation, maintenance or use of a covered "auto";
- (2) Only for "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused by an "accident" which takes place after you executed the written contract or written agreement, or the permit has been issued to you; and
- (3) Only for the duration of that contract, agreement or permit.

The "insured" is required to submit a claim to any other insurer to which coverage could apply for defense and indemnity. Unless the "insured" has agreed in writing to primary noncontributory wording per enhancement number 24, this policy is excess over any other collectible insurance.

5. SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS

SECTION II - LIABILITY COVERAGE, Coverage Extensions, 2.a. Supplementary Payments, Paragraphs (2) and (4) are replaced by the following:

- (2) Up to \$3,000 for cost of bail bonds (including bonds for related traffic violations) required because of an "accident" we cover. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
- (4) All reasonable expenses incurred by the "insured" at our request, including actual loss of earnings up to \$500 a day because of time off from work.

6. AMENDED FELLOW EMPLOYEE EXCLUSION

In those jurisdictions where, by law, fellow "employees" are not entitled to the protection afforded to the employer by the workers compensation exclusivity rule, or similar protection, the following provision is added:

SECTION II - LIABILITY, Exclusion B.5. Fellow Employee does not apply if the "bodily injury" results from the use of a covered "auto" you own or hire if you have workers compensation insurance in force for all of your "employees" at the time of "loss".

This coverage is excess over any other collectible insurance.

SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE is amended as follows:

7. HIRED AUTO PHYSICAL DAMAGE

Paragraph A.4. Coverage Extensions of SECTION III - PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, is amended by adding the following:

If hired "autos" are covered "autos" for Liability Coverage, and if Comprehensive, Specified Causes of Loss or Collision coverage are provided under the Business Auto Coverage Form for any "auto" you own, then the Physical Damage coverages provided are extended to "autos":

- a. You hire, rent or borrow; or
- b. Your "employee" hires or rents under a written contract or agreement in that "employee's" name, but only if the damage occurs while the vehicle is being used in the conduct of your business,

subject to the following limit and deductible:

- a. The most we will pay for "loss" in any one "accident" or "loss" is the smallest of:
 - (1) \$50,000; or
 - (2) The actual cash value of the damaged or stolen property as of the time of the "loss"; or
 - (3) The cost of repairing or replacing the damaged or stolen property with other property of like kind and quality, minus a deductible.
- b. The deductible will be equal to the largest deductible applicable to any owned "auto" for that coverage.
- c. Subject to the limit, deductible and excess provisions described in this provision, we will provide coverage equal to the broadest coverage applicable to any covered "auto" you own.

- **d.** Subject to a maximum of \$1,000 per "accident", we will also cover the actual loss of use of the hired "auto" if it results from an "accident", you are legally liable and the lessor incurs an actual financial loss.
- e. This coverage extension does not apply to:
 - (1) Any "auto" that is hired, rented or borrowed with a driver; or
 - (2) Any "auto" that is hired, rented or borrowed from your "employee" or any member of your "employee's" household.

Coverage provided under this extension is excess over any other collectible insurance available at the time of "loss".

8. TOWING AND LABOR

SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, Paragraph **A.2. Towing**, is amended by the addition of the following:

We will pay towing and labor costs incurred, up to the limits shown below, each time a covered "auto" classified and rated as a private passenger type, "light truck" or "medium truck" is disabled:

- **a.** For private passenger type vehicles, we will pay up to \$75 per disablement.
- **b.** For "light trucks", we will pay up to \$75 per disablement. "Light trucks" are trucks that have a gross vehicle weight (GVW) of 10,000 pounds or less.
- **c.** For "medium trucks", we will pay up to \$150 per disablement. "Medium trucks" are trucks that have a gross vehicle weight (GVW) of 10,001 20,000 pounds.

However, the labor must be performed at the place of disablement.

9. PHYSICAL DAMAGE - ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION EXPENSE COVERAGE

Paragraph A.4.a. Coverage Extensions, Transportation Expenses of SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, is amended to provide a limit of \$50 per day and a maximum limit of \$1,500.

10. RENTAL REIMBURSEMENT

SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, **A. Coverage**, is amended by adding the following:

- a. We will pay up to \$75 per day for rental reimbursement expenses incurred by you for the rental of an "auto" because of "accident" or "loss", to an "auto" for which we also pay a "loss" under Comprehensive, Specified Causes of Loss or Collision Coverages. We will pay only for those expenses incurred after the first 24 hours following the "accident" or "loss" to the covered "auto."
- **b.** Rental Reimbursement requires the rental of a comparable or lesser vehicle, which in many cases may be substantially less than \$75 per day, and will only be allowed for the period of time it should take to repair or replace the vehicle with reasonable speed and similar quality, up to a maximum of 30 days.
- **c.** We will also pay up to \$500 for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by you to remove and replace your tools and equipment from the covered "auto". This limit is excess over any other collectible insurance.
- **d.** This coverage does not apply unless you have a business necessity that other "autos" available for your use and operation cannot fill.
- **e.** If "loss" results from the total theft of a covered "auto" of the private passenger type, we will pay under this coverage only that amount of your rental reimbursement expenses which is not already provided under Paragraph **4. Coverage Extension**.

- f. No deductible applies to this coverage.
- g. The insurance provided under this extension is excess over any other collectible insurance.

If this policy also provides Rental Reimbursement Coverage you purchased, the coverage provided by this Enhancement Endorsement is in addition to the coverage you purchased.

For the purposes of this endorsement provision, materials and equipment do not include "personal effects" as defined in provision **12.B.**

11. EXTRA EXPENSE – BROADENED COVERAGE

Under **SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE**, **A. Coverage**, we will pay for the expense of returning a stolen covered "auto" to you. The maximum amount we will pay is \$1,000.

12. PERSONAL EFFECTS COVERAGE

A. SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, A. Coverage, is amended by adding the following:

If you have purchased Comprehensive Coverage on this policy for an "auto" you own and that "auto" is stolen, we will pay, without application of a deductible, up to \$600 for "personal effects" stolen with the "auto."

The insurance provided under this provision is excess over any other collectible insurance.

B. SECTION V – DEFINITIONS is amended by adding the following:

For the purposes of this provision, "personal effects" mean tangible property that is worn or carried by an "insured." "Personal effects" does not include tools, equipment, jewelry, money or securities.

13. ACCIDENTAL AIRBAG DEPLOYMENT

SECTION III - PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, B. Exclusions is amended by adding the following:

If you have purchased Comprehensive or Collision Coverage under this policy, the exclusion for "loss" relating to mechanical breakdown does not apply to the accidental discharge of an airbag.

Any insurance we provide shall be excess over any other collectible insurance or reimbursement by manufacturer's warranty. However, we agree to pay any deductible applicable to the other coverage or warranty.

14. PHYSICAL DAMAGE DEDUCTIBLE - VEHICLE TRACKING SYSTEM

SECTION III - PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, D. Deductible, is amended by adding the following:

Any Comprehensive Deductible shown in the Declarations will be reduced by 50% for any "loss" caused by theft if the vehicle is equipped with a vehicle tracking device such as a radio tracking device or a global position device and that device was the method of recovery of the vehicle.

15. AUDIO, VISUAL AND DATA ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT COVERAGE

SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE, **B. Exclusions**, Paragraph **a.** of the exception to exclusions **4.c.** and **4.d.** is deleted and replaced with the following:

Exclusions **4.c.** and **4.d.** do not apply to:

a. Electronic equipment that receives or transmits audio, visual or data signals, whether or not designed solely for the reproduction of sound, if the equipment is:

- (1) Permanently installed in the covered "auto" at the time of the "loss" or removable from a housing unit that is permanently installed in the covered "auto"; and
- (2) Designed to be solely operated by use from the power from the "auto's" electrical system; and
- (3) Physical damage coverages are provided for the covered "auto".

If the "loss" occurs solely to audio, visual or data electronic equipment or accessories used with this equipment, then our obligation to pay for, repair, return or replace damaged or stolen property will be reduced by a \$100 deductible.

16. LOAN / LEASE GAP COVERAGE (Not Applicable In New York)

A. Paragraph C. Limit Of Insurance of SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE is amended by adding the following:

The most we will pay for a "total loss" to a covered "auto" owned by or leased to you in any one "accident" is the greater of the:

- 1. Balance due under the terms of the loan or lease to which the damaged covered "auto" is subject at the time of the "loss" less the amount of:
 - **a.** Overdue payments and financial penalties associated with those payments as of the date of the "loss":
 - Financial penalties imposed under a lease due to high mileage, excessive use or abnormal wear and tear;
 - **c.** Costs for extended warranties, Credit Life Insurance, Health, Accident or Disability Insurance purchased with the loan or lease;
 - d. Transfer or rollover balances from previous loans or leases;
 - e. Final payment due under a "Balloon Loan";
 - f. The dollar amount of any unrepaired damage which occurred prior to the "total loss" of a covered "auto";
 - g. Security deposits not refunded by a lessor;
 - h. All refunds payable or paid to you as a result of the early termination of a lease agreement or as a result of the early termination of any warranty or extended service agreement on a covered "auto";
 - i. Any amount representing taxes;
 - j. Loan or lease termination fees; or
- 2. The actual cash value of the damage or stolen property as of the time of the "loss".

An adjustment for depreciation and physical condition will be made in determining the actual cash value at the time of the "loss". This adjustment is not applicable in Texas.

B. Additional Conditions

This coverage applies only to the original loan for which the covered "auto" that incurred the "loss" serves as collateral, or lease written on the covered "auto" that incurred the "loss".

C. SECTION V – DEFINITIONS is changed by adding the following:

As used in this endorsement provision, the following definitions apply:

"Total loss" means a "loss" in which the cost of repairs plus the salvage value exceeds the actual cash value.

A "balloon loan" is one with periodic payments that are insufficient to repay the balance over the term of the loan, thereby requiring a large final payment.

17. GLASS REPAIR - WAIVER OF DEDUCTIBLE

Paragraph **D. Deductible** of **SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE** is amended by the addition of the following:

No deductible applies to glass damage if the glass is repaired rather than replaced.

18. PARKED AUTO COLLISION COVERAGE (WAIVER OF DEDUCTIBLE)

Paragraph **D. Deductible** of **SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE** is amended by the addition of the following:

The deductible does not apply to "loss" caused by collision to such covered "auto" of the private passenger type or light weight truck with a gross vehicle weight of 10,000 lbs. or less as defined by the manufacturer as maximum loaded weight the "auto" is designed to carry while it is:

- a. In the charge of an "insured";
- b. Legally parked; and
- c. Unoccupied.

The "loss" must be reported to the police authorities within 24 hours of known damage.

The total amount of the damage to the covered "auto" must exceed the deductible shown in the Declarations.

This provision does not apply to any "loss" if the covered "auto" is in the charge of any person or organization engaged in the automobile business.

19. TWO OR MORE DEDUCTIBLES

Under **SECTION III – PHYSICAL DAMAGE COVERAGE**, if two or more company policies or coverage forms apply to the same "accident", the following applies to Paragraph **D. Deductible**:

- a. If the applicable Business Auto deductible is the smaller (or smallest) deductible, it will be waived; or
- **b.** If the applicable Business Auto deductible is not the smaller (or smallest) deductible, it will be reduced by the amount of the smaller (or smallest) deductible; or
- c. If the "loss" involves two or more Business Auto coverage forms or policies, the smaller (or smallest) deductible will be waived.

For the purpose of this endorsement, company means any company that is part of the Liberty Mutual Group.

SECTION IV - BUSINESS AUTO CONDITIONS is amended as follows:

20. UNINTENTIONAL FAILURE TO DISCLOSE HAZARDS

SECTION IV- BUSINESS AUTO CONDITIONS, Paragraph B.2. is amended by adding the following:

If you unintentionally fail to disclose any hazards, exposures or material facts existing as of the inception date or renewal date of the Business Auto Coverage Form, the coverage afforded by this policy will not be prejudiced.

However, you must report the undisclosed hazard of exposure as soon as practicable after its discovery, and we have the right to collect additional premium for any such hazard or exposure.

21. AMENDED DUTIES IN THE EVENT OF ACCIDENT, CLAIM, SUIT OR LOSS

SECTION IV – BUSINESS AUTO CONDITIONS, Paragraph **A.2.a.** is replaced in its entirety by the following:

- a. In the event of "accident", claim, "suit" or "loss", you must promptly notify us when it is known to:
 - (1) You, if you are an individual;
 - (2) A partner, if you are a partnership;
 - (3) Member, if you are a limited liability company;
 - (4) An executive officer or the "employee" designated by the Named Insured to give such notice, if you are a corporation.

To the extent possible, notice to us should include:

- (a) How, when and where the "accident" or "loss" took place;
- (b) The "insured's" name and address; and
- (c) The names and addresses of any injured persons and witnesses.

22. WAIVER OF TRANSFER OF RIGHTS OF RECOVERY AGAINST OTHERS TO US

SECTION IV – BUSINESS AUTO CONDITIONS, Paragraph A.5. Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us, is amended by the addition of the following:

If the person or organization has in a written agreement waived those rights before an "accident" or "loss", our rights are waived also.

23. HIRED AUTO COVERAGE TERRITORY

SECTION IV – BUSINESS AUTO CONDITIONS, Paragraph **B.7. Policy Period, Coverage Territory**, is amended by the addition of the following:

f. For "autos" hired 30 days or less, the coverage territory is anywhere in the world, provided that the "insured's" responsibility to pay for damages is determined in a "suit", on the merits, in the United States, the territories and possessions of the United States of America, Puerto Rico or Canada or in a settlement we agree to.

This extension of coverage does not apply to an "auto" hired, leased, rented or borrowed with a driver.

24. PRIMARY AND NON-CONTRIBUTING IF REQUIRED BY WRITTEN CONTRACT OR WRITTEN AGREEMENT

The following is added to **SECTION IV – BUSINESS AUTO CONDITIONS**, **General Conditions**, **B.5. Other Insurance** and supersedes any provision to the contrary:

This Coverage Form's Covered Autos Liability Coverage is primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to an "insured" under your policy provided that:

- 1. Such "insured" is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and
- 2. You have agreed in a written contract or written agreement that this insurance would be primary and would not seek contribution from any other insurance available to such "insured".

SECTION V – DEFINITIONS is amended as follows:

25. BODILY INJURY REDEFINED

Under **SECTION V – DEFINITIONS**, Definition **C.** is replaced by the following:

"Bodily injury" means physical injury, sickness or disease sustained by a person, including mental anguish, mental injury, shock, fright or death resulting from any of these at any time.