

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS DEPARTMENT OF  
BUSINESS REGULATION INSURANCE DIVISION  
Duplicate Certificates of Authority**

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Prior to April 1, 1988, Rhode Island (R.I.) issued limited term Certificates of Authority to foreign insurance companies authorized to do business in this state; those Certificates were renewable each April 1. Since April 1, 1988, R.I. has issued continuous Certificates of Authority, which continue in effect for as long as the company continues to pay its annual renewal fees, or until this Division replaces, or revokes the Certificate.

Until July 1, 2001, changes of a company's name, city or state of domicile, and/or added lines of authorized business were effected on the original Certificate itself in the form of an amendment. Effective July 1, 2001, changes to a company's Certificate of Authority and replacements of lost Certificates of Authority have been accomplished by issuing a Replacement Certificate of Authority.

If an original, continuous Certificate of Authority issued on or after April 1, 1988 has been lost, please write directly to this Division to request a Replacement Certificate, including an Affidavit of Lost Certificate attesting to the original Certificate's loss, attesting to the company's having conducted a diligent search for the missing Certificate without success, and agreeing to return the original if it is subsequently located.

Upon receipt of the above material, we will replace the company's Certificate of Authority. Appropriate fees will be billed on a retaliatory basis upon completion of the process.

Occasionally, a Certificate of Good Standing will meet the requirements of certain circumstances. In that situation, rather than requesting a replacement Certificate of Authority, write directly to this Division to request a Certificate of Good Standing. Appropriate fees will be billed on a retaliatory basis upon completion of the process.

Companies should feel free to contact Matt DiMaio at (401) 462-9612 (e-mail: [mdimaio@dbr.state.ri.us](mailto:mdimaio@dbr.state.ri.us)); or by Fax at (401) 462-9559 if you have any questions regarding replacements of lost Certificates of Authority or Certificates of Good Standing.