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Re: New and Updated SL-2 Form: Diligent Search Report

With concurrence and assistance from the California Department of Insurance, the Surplus Line Association of California (SLA) has simplified and updated the SL-2: Diligent Search Report for ease of use and to reflect modern trends.

A line-by-line comparison of the old and new SL-2 forms can be found on the SLA [website](#).

LINK: <https://www.slacal.com/sl2-comparison>

Significant changes include:

- The form has been reduced to one page.
- Section 2 has been revised to eliminate information duplicated on the SL-1 Confidential Report of Surplus Line Placement.
- Former Sections 3 and 4 have been moved to an addendum, to be completed only if the placement is for private passenger automobile liability insurance or health insurance.
- Former Section 5 has been removed as unnecessary for purposes of recording the diligent search.
- New Section 3 replaces former Section 7 and Section 8. New Section 3 requires information as specified in the form regarding either (i) the three admitted insurers that declined the risk, or (ii) how the broker determined that fewer than three admitted insurers write the type of insurance.

The fillable PDF and on-line PDF versions of the new SL-2 form are effective January 1, 2024. The SLA is working diligently to develop the new SL-2 for all other submission methods, including the SLIP online form, and will make it available as soon as it is ready. In the meantime, brokers that submit the PDF version of the form will use the simplified and updated form, and brokers that submit via SLIP will continue to use the older form

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until the development process is complete. The SLA will notify members when that happens.

Additional information regarding the new SL-2 form, including a copy of the form itself and the revised instructions, can be found on the SLA [website](#):

LINK: <https://www.slacal.com/sl2-faqs>

All other filing procedures remain unchanged.

