

National Western Life in Production with FAST Component *Case Management Functionality Built Using FAST 8x*

Edison, NJ, May 24, 2010. FAST is announcing that the first component created using the FAST 8x framework is in production at National Western Life. The component, which was created as part of a multi-year software and consulting contract, automates the workflow for life and annuity applications received from the field.

“This is a great first success in our relationship with FAST,” added Michael Hydanus, Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer of National Western Life. “I am looking forward to continued meaningful accomplishments over the next eighteen months. Stay tuned.”

The case management component is ACORD 103 compliant and leverages the Microsoft® BizTalk® framework today with plans to support IBM® WebSphere® Process Server in the future. It ties web services, external communications, business rules, and security together via workflow orchestrations.

“The 8x Framework allowed us to build valuable case management functionality in 3 months with 3 full-time staff members,” said Tom Famularo, FAST’s Chief Executive Officer. “National Western Life is our flagship account. Using 8x, we are going to work together to modernize much of National Western’s enterprise systems, including policy administration.”

About National Western Life

National Western Life Insurance Company® is a life insurance company, chartered in the State of Colorado in 1956, and doing business in forty-nine states, the District of Columbia and four U.S. territories or possessions. It is also licensed in Haiti. The Company accepts applications from and issues policies to residents of various Central and South American, Caribbean, and Pacific Rim countries. National Western operates within segments organized along product types and geographic areas. These operating segments include domestic life insurance, international life insurance, and annuities.

About FAST

FAST, which stands for "Flexible Architecture, Simplified Technology", is a privately-held company located in Edison, NJ founded by the former leaders of NaviSys. FAST’s team of passionate, experienced entrepreneurs focuses on solving the challenges our financial services clients face as they seek to modernize their systems environments or completely replace legacy systems. In addition to strategic IT consulting and a deep team of insurance systems experts, FAST offers a breakthrough technology framework (called 8x) and pre-built insurance software components to dramatically reduce the time, cost and risk associated with major systems initiatives.

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