

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
January 21, 2010**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

Symetra Financial Corporation

File No. 333-162344 - CF#24216

Symetra Financial Corporation submitted an application under Rule 406 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form S-1 filed on October 5, 2009.

Based on representations by Symetra Financial Corporation that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibits will not be released to the public for the time periods specified:

Exhibit 10.1	through October 26, 2012
Exhibit 10.2	through October 26, 2012
Exhibit 10.5	through October 26, 2012
Exhibit 10.6	through October 26, 2012
Exhibit 10.8	through October 26, 2012
Exhibit 10.9	through October 26, 2012
Exhibit 10.15	through October 26, 2012
Exhibit 10.18	through October 26, 2012

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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