§ 58-39-140. Definitions.

As used in this Part, in addition to the definitions in G.S. 58-39-15:

- (1) "Customer" means an applicant with or policyholder of a licensee.
- (2) "Customer information" means nonpublic personal information about a customer, whether in paper, electronic, or other form that is maintained by or on behalf of the licensee.
- (3) "Customer information systems" means the electronic or physical methods used to access, collect, store, use, transmit, protect, or dispose of customer information.
- (4) "Licensee" means any producer, as defined in G.S. 58-33-10(7), insurer, MEWA, HMO, or service corporation governed by this Chapter. "Licensee" does not mean:
 - a. An insurance-support organization.
 - b. A licensee who is a natural person operating within the scope of the licensee's employment by or affiliation with an insurer or producer.
 - c. A surplus lines insurer or licensee under Article 21 of this Chapter.
- (5) "Service provider" means a person that maintains, processes, or otherwise is permitted access to customer information through its provision of services directly to the licensee and includes an insurance support organization. (2003-262, s. 4.)

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