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To All Members of the Bureau:

Re: APRIL 1, 2011 F-CLASSIFICATION FILING

Please be informed that the PCRB has submitted a rating value filing for Pennsylvania F-Classifications with a proposed effective date of April 1, 2011. That filing, Bureau Filing C-359, submitted on September 15, 2010, proposes an overall average rate increase of 6.96 percent. Tables of current rates (approved effective April 1, 2009) and proposed April 1, 2011 rates are attached to this circular for reference.

The United States Harborworkers' Compensation Coverage Percentage, currently 80.3 percent, is proposed to change to 78.1 percent, and the tax multiplier applicable to F-Classification business is proposed to change from 1.2793 to 1.2736, both effective April 1, 2011.

Policies issued with effective dates on and after April 1, 2011 must be qualified as carrying tentative rates, and the Pending Rate Change Endorsement is to be used for this purpose. Note that such policies issued at current rates or on a "to be determined" basis must be endorsed subsequently with the new carrier rates.

The filing proposal and supporting information will be available on the PCRB's website (www.pcrb.com) within ten days of the distribution of this circular.

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PENNSYLVANIA UNITED STATES LONGSHORE AND HARBOR WORKERS RATES MANUAL RATES AND EXPECTED LOSS RATES

CURRENT EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2009 ON NEW AND RENEWAL

			Experience Rating Plan			
Code	Manual	Min.	Expected Loss Rate Tables *			
No.	Rate	Prem.	A-1	A-2	A-3	
6824F	20.07	3,250	4.31	6.83	10.41	
6826F	21.00	3,250	4.51	7.15	10.89	
6843F	26.29	3,250	5.65	8.95	13.63	
6872F	61.34	3,250	13.18	20.87	31.81	
7309F	105.41	3,250	22.64	35.87	54.67	
7313F	21.75	3,250	4.67	7.40	11.28	
7317F	55.13	3,250	11.84	18.76	28.59	
7327F	42.85	3,250	9.20	14.58	22.22	
7366F	18.71	3,250	4.02	6.37	9.70	
8709F	7.54	1,815	1.62	2.57	3.91	
8726F	6.46	1,595	1.39	2.20	3.35	

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2011 ON NEW AND RENEWAL

	Experience Rating Plan			
Manual	Min.	Expected Loss Rate Tables *		
Rate	Prem.	A-1	A-2	A-3
20.79	3,400	5.32	7.18	8.89
21.75	3,400	5.56	7.51	9.30
27.28	3,400	6.98	9.43	11.67
62.86	3,400	16.07	21.72	26.89
108.64	3,400	27.78	37.54	46.47
22.68	3,400	5.80	7.84	9.70
57.10	3,400	14.60	19.73	24.42
44.18	3,400	11.30	15.26	18.90
20.00	3,400	5.11	6.91	8.55
7.82	1,950	2.00	2.70	3.34
6.68	1,705	1.71	2.31	2.86
	20.79 21.75 27.28 62.86 108.64 22.68 57.10 44.18 20.00 7.82	Rate Prem. 20.79 3,400 21.75 3,400 27.28 3,400 62.86 3,400 108.64 3,400 22.68 3,400 57.10 3,400 44.18 3,400 20.00 3,400 7.82 1,950	Manual Rate Min. Prem. Expense 20.79 3,400 5.32 21.75 3,400 5.56 27.28 3,400 6.98 62.86 3,400 16.07 108.64 3,400 27.78 22.68 3,400 5.80 57.10 3,400 14.60 44.18 3,400 11.30 20.00 3,400 5.11 7.82 1,950 2.00	Manual Rate Min. Prem. Expected Loss Rate Tall A-2 20.79 3,400 5.32 7.18 21.75 3,400 5.56 7.51 27.28 3,400 6.98 9.43 62.86 3,400 16.07 21.72 108.64 3,400 27.78 37.54 22.68 3,400 5.80 7.84 57.10 3,400 14.60 19.73 44.18 3,400 11.30 15.26 20.00 3,400 5.11 6.91 7.82 1,950 2.00 2.70

^{*} Table A-1 applies to the most current policy year, Table A-2 to the first prior policy year, and Table A-3 to the second prior policy year.