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## **BUREAU CIRCULAR NO. 1524**

To All Members of the Bureau

## Re: EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, <u>2008</u> DISCONTINUATION OF HARD COPY EXPERIENCE RATING AND MERIT RATING WORKSHEETS

The Governing Board of the Bureau recently approved the elimination of distribution of hard copy rating information to our member carriers. The final hard copy issuance of experience rating worksheets, merit rating adjustments, and worksheets for employers that no longer qualify for experience rating (NQ) will be sent on March 31, 2008. **Beginning April 1, 2008.** carriers will be required to obtain their rating information from the American Cooperative Council on Compensation Technology (ACCCT) Compensation Data Exchange (CDX) application.

Refer to Bureau Circular No. 1465, Experience Rating Worksheet Lookup Product (EXR) Announcement, for additional information regarding EXR and the Bureau's participation with ACCCT on this product.

Producers and other qualified parties will continue to be provided hard copies of rating information at a cost of \$15 per rating, subject to the requesting party obtaining a letter of authority from the employer.

The Bureau is continuing to work cooperatively with members of ACCCT to improve the EXR print features and the WCRATING data retrieval methods to improve service to all carrier members. We are confident that satisfactory enhancements to EXR will be completed and in production before March 31, 2008.

The Bureau will issue subsequent circular announcements as a reminder of the prospective implementation date for the discontinuation of hard copy rating information.

If you have any questions about the discontinuation of hard copy experience rating and merit rating worksheets or need assistance in using EXR, please contact John Murphy, Director of Systems and Programming, at 215-320-4418 or jmurphy@pcrb.com.

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