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To All Members of the Bureau:

Re: **APRIL 1, 2009 F-CLASSIFICATION FILING**

Please be informed that the Bureau has submitted a rating value filing for Pennsylvania F-Classifications with a proposed effective date of April 1, 2009. That filing, Proposal C-355, submitted on October 9, 2008, proposes an overall average rate increase of 9.73 percent. Tables of current rates (approved effective April 1, 2007) and proposed April 1, 2009 rates are attached to this circular for reference.

The United States Harborworkers' Compensation Coverage Percentage, currently 81.7 percent, is proposed to change to 80.3 percent, and the tax multiplier applicable to F-Classification business is proposed to change from 1.2721 to 1.2793, both effective April 1, 2009.

Policies issued with effective dates on and after April 1, 2009 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 Bureau'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, 2007 ON NEW AND RENEWAL

Code No.	Manual Rate	Min. Prem.	Experience Rating Plan Expected Loss Rate Tables *		
			A-1	A-2	A-3
6824F	19.02	3,000	5.16	6.73	8.13
6826F	19.93	3,000	5.40	7.05	8.51
6843F	25.05	3,000	6.79	8.86	10.70
6872F	58.92	3,000	15.97	20.83	25.17
7309F	101.26	3,000	27.45	35.81	43.26
7313F	20.57	3,000	5.58	7.27	8.79
7317F	52.31	3,000	14.18	18.50	22.35
7327F	40.12	3,000	10.88	14.19	17.14
7366F	16.90	3,000	4.58	5.98	7.22
8709F	7.11	1,565	1.93	2.51	3.04
8726F	6.20	1,395	1.68	2.19	2.65

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2009 ON NEW AND RENEWAL

Code No.	Manual Rate	Min. Prem.	Experience Rating Plan Expected Loss Rate Tables *		
			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

* 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.