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BUREAU CIRCULAR NO. 1587

To All Members of the PCRB:

Re: MANUAL REVISIONS - SECTION 1 RULE IX H. PENNSYLVANIA CONSTRUCTION CLASSIFICATION PREMIUM ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011

The Pennsylvania Compensation Rating Bureau has filed and the Insurance Commissioner has approved Manual revisions to Section 1, Rule IX, H. Pennsylvania Construction Classification Premium Adjustment Program (PCCPAP). These revisions are **effective 12:01 a.m.**, **October 1, 2011** with respect to new and renewal business only.

For policies with anniversary rating dates on or after October 1, 2011 the following changes to the PCCPAP plan are applicable:

- First, qualifying wages will be based on the Third Quarter of 2010, as this data is now or soon will be available and represents a more current level of employment and wage activity for construction employers.
- Second, the minimum hourly wage eligible for premium credit has been updated in accordance with the most recent change in the Statewide Average Weekly Wage (SAWW). This change revises the minimum wage eligible for PCCPAP premium credit to \$25.60 per hour.

This qualifying wage has been rounded to the nearest \$0.05, consistent with past practices.

 Third, consistent with procedural changes previously approved pursuant to PCRB filings pertaining to the PCCPAP 1995 through 2010, revisions have been made in the increments in qualifying wages used in constructing the PCCPAP table of premium credits.

A copy of the complete PCCPAP credit table effective for normal anniversary rating dates on or after October 1, 2011 in the text of Section 1, Rule IX, H. is shown at the end of this circular.

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Questions about PCCPAP should be directed to the Rating Rules & Policy Reporting Department at Extension 4445.

The Manual will be updated on our website (www.pcrb.com) at a future date.

The PCRB will continue to advise qualifying employers and their insurers of record of PCCPAP credits using normal procedures.

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Remember to visit our web site at www.pcrb.com for more information about this and other topics.

MANUAL REVISIONS

SECTION 1

RULE IX - SPECIAL CONDITIONS OR OPERATIONS AFFECTING COVERAGE

H. PENNSYLVANIA CONSTRUCTION CLASSIFICATION PREMIUM ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

1. The Pennsylvania Construction...... as set forth below:

FROM	TO

If the insured is listed below:

FROM		<u>TO</u>
Normal Anniversary Rating Dates	Reporting Period for Qualifying Wages	No Change
[October 1, 2006 - September 30, 2007		Delete
October 1, 2007 - September 1, 2008		No Change
October 1, 2008 - September 30, 2009		No Change
October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2010		No Change
October 1, 2010 [and later]	Third calendar	October 1, 2010 <u>-</u> September 30, 2011
No current entry		October 1, 2011

DELETE table for Normal Anniversary Rating Dates - October 1, 2006 - September 30, 2007

and later

No Change

Third calendar quarter of 2009

Third calendar

quarter of 2010

NO CHANGE to tables for the following *Normal Anniversary Rating Dates:*

October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008 October 1, 2008 - September 30, 2009 October 1, 2009 - September 30, 2010 Bureau Circular No. 1587 Page 4

FROM TO

Normal Anniversary Rating Dates - October 1, 2010 [and later]

Normal Anniversary Rating Dates – October 1, 2010 – <u>September 30, 2011</u>

Table Values Unchanged

The following **NEW** table has been added:

Normal Anniversary Rating Dates - October 1, 2011 and later

Credit From		Credit From	
Average	Standard	Average	Standard
<u>Hourly Wage</u>	<u>Premium</u>	<u>Hourly Wage</u>	<u>Premium</u>
\$25.59 or less	None	\$31.80-\$32.34	18%
\$25.60-\$25.99	5%	\$32.35-\$32.94	19%
\$26.00-\$26.39	6%	\$32.95-\$33.54	20%
\$26.40-\$26.84	7%	\$33.55-\$34.14	21%
\$26.85-\$27.29	8%	\$34.15-\$34.79	22%
\$27.30-\$27.74	9%	\$34.80-\$35.44	23%
\$27.75-\$28.19	10%	\$35.45-\$36.09	24%
\$28.20-\$28.69	11%	\$36.10-\$36.79	25%
\$28.70-\$29.19	12%	\$36.80-\$37.49	26%
\$29.20-\$29.69	13%	\$37.50-\$38.29	27%
\$29.70-\$30.19	14%	\$38.20-\$38.94	28%
\$30.20-\$30.69	15%	\$38.95-\$39.69	29%
\$30.70-\$31.24	16%	\$39.70 and over	30%
\$31.25-\$31.79	17%		

The total construction...... premium adjustment credit.

[&]quot;Construction classifications" are those classifications subject to the following code numbers:

601	609	648	656	663	670	681
602	611	649	657	664	673	[682]
603	615	651	658	665	674	691
605	617	652	659	666	675	693
606	645	653	660	667	676	695
607	646	654	661	668	677	
608	647	655	662	669	679	