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VIA SERFF

The Honorable Jessica K. Altman
Insurance Commissioner
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Insurance Department
1311 Strawberry Square
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Attention: Mark Lersch, Director, Bureau of Property & Casualty Insurance
Michael McKenney, Actuarial Supervisor, Bureau of Property & Casualty Insurance

RE: **PCRB Filing No. 322 - Proposed Effective January 1, 2021
Proposed Updated Revisions to the Pennsylvania Statistical Plan Manual Plan
Manual (STAT) Due to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic**

Dear Commissioner Altman:

On behalf of the members of the Pennsylvania Compensation Rating Bureau, is a submission of a filing with proposed revisions to the Pennsylvania Statistical Plan Manual (Statistical Plan). These revisions are proposed to be effective January 1, 2021.

As background, Statistical Code 1212 was established via Filing No. 310 in April, 2020. That filing approval allows carriers to report payments by any employer or any public governmental entity to paid furloughed employees as a result of federal, state, and or/local emergency orders, laws or regulations, issued due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic which impact an employer's staffing or business operations. This code as originally filed was approved for use for policies in effect March 1, 2020 thru December 31, 2020.

This filing proposes to extend the use of Statistical Code 1212 to remain in effect and to not expire until it is determined necessary as circumstances warrant and in consultation with Pennsylvania regulatory authorities.

Attached to this filing letter is a document which contains the proposed revisions that are displayed using standard "track changes" so you that you may observe the newly inserted language. We have also included a final version without the "mark-up". Each section of the Statistical Plan is identified and if items remain unchanged, it is noted.

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We respectfully ask for your review of this filing as expeditiously as possible. PCRБ staff will be pleased to respond to any questions you or your office may have concerning these proposals.

Sincerely,

William V. Taylor
President

Enclosures:
Proposed Pennsylvania Statistical Plan Manual Pages Effective January 1, 2021

PENNSYLVANIA STATISTICAL PLAN MANUAL
Proposed Effective January 1, 2021

INTRODUCTION remains unchanged.

SECTION I remains unchanged.

SECTION II - REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Items **A and B** remain unchanged.

Item **B** Exposure Information

Item Numbers **1 through 8** remain unchanged

9. Miscellaneous Statistical Codes

a. thru f. remain unchanged.

g. Paid Furloughed Employees – Code 1212

Paid furloughed employees means employees who continue to receive payments during a temporary layoff or an involuntary leave and are not performing any work duties for an employer. Effective March 1, 2020, payments by any employer or any public governmental entity to paid furloughed employees as a result of federal, state, and or/local emergency orders, laws or regulations, issued due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic which impact an employer's staffing or business operations must be reported to Statistical Code 1212 – Paid Furloughed Employees. Such payments do not include any appropriated funds or loans received by an employer as authorized by an law or regulations, or public governmental entity, that are used by an employer specifically to retain or hire working employees.

Code 1212 may be used as a Statistical Code to report the payments only. If a carrier is unable to report this experience as a statistical code, please contact the PCRB to discuss reporting requirements.

Payments reported to Code 1212 are excluded from premium only if the employer keeps separate, accurate and verifiable records.

For any claims attributable to an employee occurring prior to or after a temporary layoff or an involuntary leave, report losses to the classification for work normally performed by the employee that corresponds to the employee's payroll. No claim can be reported to Code 1212 – Paid Furloughed Employees.

The expiration date of this code will be ~~December 31, 2020, which may be amended to an earlier~~ or determined at a later date as circumstances warrant in consultation with Pennsylvania regulatory authorities.

Item Number **10** remains unchanged.

Items **C and D** remain unchanged.

PENNSYLVANIA STATISTICAL PLAN MANUAL
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SECTION III remains unchanged.

SECTION IV - CODES

Item **A** Codes Common to Premium and Losses

Item Numbers **1 thru 5** remain unchanged

6. Policy Conditions

a. thru c. remain unchanged.

d. Estimated Audit Code

"Y" = Exposures expressed on the unit report are estimated.

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Notes:

(1) When the Exposure on the 1st report includes Code 9757, report the Estimated Audit Code as "U" in the applicable Policy Conditions, Estimated Audit Code field. If subsequent to reporting Statistical Code 9757, and the final policy premium is determined in accordance with the Basic Manual rules, the statistical code and its accompanying charge must be removed. Additionally, the Estimated Audit Code must be changed to "N" and the exposure and premium must reflect the final audit.

(2) If final premium based on audited exposure cannot be reported due to federal, state and/or local emergency orders, laws, or regulations issued due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic which impact an employer's staffing or business operations report the applicable exposure and premium in the class code(s) and the Estimated Audit Code as an "N". This code is effective March 1, 2020. The expiration date of this rule will be ~~December 31, 2020, which may be amended to an earlier or~~ determined at a later date as circumstances warrant in consultation with Pennsylvania regulatory authorities.

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SECTION VI remains unchanged.

SECTION VII remains unchanged.

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