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TO: Workers' Compensation Insurance Carriers
and Self-Insurers Operating in the
Commonwealth of Kentucky

FROM: 
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SUBJECT: WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFIT SCHEDULE – 2008

The Education Cabinet, Department for Workforce Investment, has certified that the average weekly wage of Kentucky for the calendar year 2006 was \$670.02. Based upon that information and in accordance with KRS 342.143, the following determinations are made:

1. The increase in maximum income benefits under all provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act for the year 2006 over the year 2005 did amount to \$2.00 or more; therefore, the maximum weekly indemnity benefits for calendar year 2008 shall be \$670.02.
2. There was an increase of \$1.00 or more in minimum income benefits; the Act shall be \$134.00 for calendar year 2008.

A schedule of indemnity benefits is attached hereto.

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Attachment



SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS

TYPE OF DISABILITY SECTION OF STATUTE	FOR INJURIES OCCURRING					
	01-01-03 thru 12-31-03	01-01-04 thru 12-31-04	01-01-05 thru 12-31-05	01-01-06 thru 12-31-06	01-01-07 thru 12-31-07	01-01-08 thru 12-31-08
APPLICABLE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE OF THE STATE	\$571.42 (2001)	\$588.43 (2002)	\$607.23 (2003)	\$631.22 (2004)	\$646.47 (2005)	\$670.02 (2006)

DEATH (KRS 342.750)

a. Widow or widower with no children-50% of average weekly wage of deceased-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$285.71	\$294.22	\$303.62	\$315.61	\$323.24	\$335.02
MINIMUM	114.28	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00
b. Widow or widower with children living in the home-45% of average weekly wage of deceased, plus 15% for each child-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$428.57	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51
MINIMUM	114.28	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00
c. Widow or widower with children not living in home-40% of average weekly wage of deceased, plus 15% for each child-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$428.57	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51
MINIMUM	114.28	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00
d. One child, no widow or widower-50% of average weekly wage of deceased-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$285.71	\$294.22	\$303.62	\$315.61	\$323.24	\$335.02
MINIMUM	114.28	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00
d(1)More than one child, no widow or widower-50% of average weekly wage of deceased for the first child with an additional 15% of average weekly wage of deceased for each additional child-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$428.57	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51
MINIMUM	114.28	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00
e. Dependent parents-25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each parent-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$428.57	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51
MINIMUM	114.28	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00
f. Dependent brothers, sisters, grandparents and grandchildren-25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each dependent-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$428.57	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51
MINIMUM	114.28	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00

The above is subject to the maximum of 75% of the average weekly wage of the deceased.

