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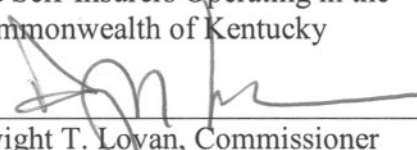
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TO: Workers' Compensation Insurance Carriers
and Self-Insurers Operating in the
Commonwealth of Kentucky

FROM: 
Dwight T. Lovan, Commissioner
Kentucky Department of Workers' Claims

SUBJECT: WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFIT SCHEDULE – 2009

The Education Cabinet, Department for Workforce Investment, has certified that the average weekly wage of Kentucky for the calendar year 2007 was \$694.30. 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 2007 over the year 2006 did amount to \$2.00 or more; therefore, the maximum weekly indemnity benefits for calendar year 2009 shall be \$694.30.
2. There was an increase of \$1.00 or more in minimum income benefits; the Act shall be \$138.86 for calendar year 2009.

A schedule of indemnity benefits is attached hereto.

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Attachment



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SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS

TYPE OF DISABILITY SECTION OF STATUTE	FOR INJURIES OCCURRING					
	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	01-01-09 thru 12-31-09
APPLICABLE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE OF THE STATE	\$588.43 (2002)	\$607.23 (2003)	\$631.22 (2004)	\$646.47 (2005)	\$670.02 (2006)	\$694.30 (2007)

DEATH (KRS 342.750)

a. Widow or widower with no children-50% of average weekly wage of deceased-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$294.22	\$303.62	\$315.61	\$323.24	\$335.02	\$347.16
MINIMUM	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00	138.86
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	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51	\$520.72
MINIMUM	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00	138.86
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	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51	\$520.72
MINIMUM	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00	138.86
d. One child, no widow or widower-50% of average weekly wage of deceased-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$294.22	\$303.62	\$315.61	\$323.24	\$335.02	\$347.16
MINIMUM	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00	138.86
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	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51	\$520.72
MINIMUM	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00	138.86
e. Dependent parents-25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each parent-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51	\$520.72
MINIMUM	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00	138.86
f. Dependent brothers, sisters, grandparents and grandchildren-25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each dependent-subject to the following:						
MAXIMUM	\$441.32	\$455.42	\$473.42	\$484.85	\$502.51	\$520.72
MINIMUM	117.69	121.45	126.24	129.29	134.00	138.86

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

