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TO: ALL INSURERS AUTHORIZED TO TRANSACT HOMEOWNERS
INSURANCE IN THIS STATE

FROM: STEVEN M. GOLDMAN, COMMISSIONER

RE: HOMEOWNERS ANNUAL COMPARISON SURVEY, N.J.A.C. 11:4-29

N.J.A.C. 11:4-29 requires every insurer authorized to provide and sell personal homeowners, tenant and/or condominium coverage in New Jersey to submit to the Department an annual report based on premiums charged for those coverages. The report shows premiums charged as of December 31st for specific coverages and this year's report is due January 31, 2007. Reports are required to be in the format of Appendices A - C of N.J.A.C. 11:4-29.

The Department notes that currently Appendix A of N.J.A.C. 11:4-29, applicable to HO-3 (Standard Homeowners Insurance) policies, requires companies to provide rating examples based on a Coverage A dwelling amount limit of \$150,000. The Department recognizes that 52.38 percent of New Jersey HO-3 policies (based on the latest 2003 NAIC Dwelling Fire, Homeowners Owner-Occupied and Homeowners Tenant and Condominium/Cooperative Unit Owners' Insurance Report), have Coverage A dwelling limits greater than \$200,000. For this reason, the Department believes that the Coverage A limit in N.J.A.C. 11:4-29, Appendix A, should be increased to \$225,000. Therefore, insurers should note that for the Homeowners Annual Price Comparison surveys due January 31, 2007, the dwelling amount in Appendix A should be considered changed from \$150,000 to \$225,000.

Insurers are reminded that, in order to ensure that all insurers submit this data to the Department in a common format and to facilitate the automated capture of the data submitted, the Department has posted a template for the use of insurers on its web site. The template can be found at <http://www.state.nj.us/dobi/ppareports.htm>. The template should be completed in accordance with the instructions and submitted in Microsoft Excel format by either e-mail or on disk or CD-ROM to the address below:

New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance
Office of Property and Casualty
ATTN: Homeowners Annual Comparison Survey
P.O. Box 325
Trenton, NJ 08625-0325
Email: reports@dobi.state.nj.us

The Department will be proposing an amendment to N.J.A.C. 11:4-29 in the near future to incorporate the change set forth in this Bulletin.

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Date

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