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ACCOUNTING AND STATISTICAL NOTICE NO. 416

Approved Revisions to the Massachusetts Private Passenger and Commercial Statistical Plans

On September 13, 2004, revisions to the Massachusetts Private Passenger and Commercial Statistical Plans were approved by the Division of Insurance, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 175A, Section 15 (see attached promulgation letter). Accounting and Statistical Notice No. 413, dated June 30, 2004 initially announced these revisions. Below is a summary of the approved Statistical Plan pages and their effective dates.

Private Passenger Statistical Plan

Effective Date	Description	Records Impacted	Pages Impacted
January 1, 2005	In conjunction with the AIB's May 28, 2004 motorcycle rate filing, several modifications to the Private Passenger Statistical Plan have been made. Classification Codes have been added to identify experienced/inexperienced motorcycle operators. Engine size Category D has been expanded to collect additional cubic centimeter (cc) breakdowns. Additionally to provide the AIB with more accurate Value Code data, the method for reporting Value Code has been modified. Motorcycle value will be rounded up to the nearest hundred dollars and the rounded value will be used to develop the Value Code (similar to Annual Mileage coding).	All	VI:11,12 VI:38 A:2
	The Classification Code Decision Table has been updated for consistency between commercial and private passenger for Liability Limits. Liability Limits are required to be reported for classifications 700000, 800000 and 902000.	All Liability	A:2

Commercial Statistical Plan

Effective Date	Description	Records Impacted	Pages Impacted
January 1, 2004	The Public vehicle Secondary Classification Code (fourth position) table has been clarified to note that Code 9 may only apply to Zone Rated Buses.	None. Clarification Only	VI:13,14
	The Age and Symbol Code pages have been clarified to indicate that both Age and Symbol apply to certain Special Types vehicles as noted in the Classification Code Decision Table.		VI:25 VI:53
	The Table of Required Commercial Fields has been updated to indicate that Type of Claimant Code does not apply to Commercial Loss Records. Type of Claimant is only reported on Private Passenger records.		A:1
	The Commercial Exposure Basis Table has been updated in conjunction with the recently approved changes to the Garage Policy.		A:4

The Private Passenger and Commercial Statistical Plan pages pertaining to the approved modifications are available on CAR's website (select Manuals, select the Private Passenger or Commercial Statistical Plan and then select the Approved Pages link dated 09/13/04). Additionally, appropriate Private Passenger and Commercial Statistical Plan manuals contained on CAR's website have also been updated to incorporate the approved pages.

If you have any questions concerning these revisions, please contact the undersigned at (617) 880-7231 or at madgate@commauto.com.

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Attachment



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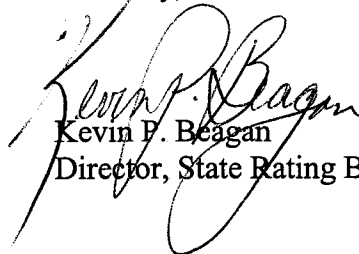
RE: Modifications to the Massachusetts Private Passenger and Commercial automobile Statistical Plans

Dear Ms. Wallace:

I am writing to inform you of my approval of the modifications you have proposed to the Massachusetts Private Passenger and Commercial automobile Statistical Plans in your letter dated June 30, 2004. These changes shall be effective on the dates proposed in your letter.

Thank you for your filing.

Sincerely,


Kevin F. Beagan
Director, State Rating Bureau