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BULLETIN NO. 893

NOTICE OF HEARING

EMERGENCY AMENDMENTS TO CAR RULES 22 AND 29

On February 5, 2009, the Commissioner of Insurance issued a Notice of Hearing, which includes the promulgation of amendments to Rules 22 and 29 as Emergency Rules, effective immediately.

Article X of the Plan of Operation provides, in part, "If the Commissioner finds that immediate adoption of a Rule is necessary for the fair and equitable operation of CAR and that observance of the normal requirements for promulgation of Rules would be contrary to the public interest, the Commissioner may dispense with such requirements and promulgate the Rule as an Emergency Rule. An Emergency Rule shall not remain in effect for longer than 90 days."

The Hearing will be held at the Division of Insurance at 10:00 a.m. on March 6, 2009 to afford all interested parties an opportunity to provide oral and written comment about the Emergency Rules including, but not limited to, recommendations for modification or amendment of those Rules. Any person who wishes to provide oral comment about the Emergency Rules is requested to submit a Notice of Intent to Provide Oral Comment to the Division, along with a short written statement of the issues to be addressed in such comment, no later than March 2, 2009. All others will be heard after those who notify the Division in advance. All notices and submissions relating to the hearing shall refer to Docket No. C-2009-01 and be addressed to the Docket Clerk, Hearings and Appeals, Division of Insurance, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2208.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

C2009-01

Emergency Amendments to Rules 22 and 29 of Commonwealth Automobile Reinsurers

Article X of the Plan of Operation of Commonwealth Automobile Reinsurers ("CAR") authorizes the Commissioner of Insurance ("Commissioner") to promulgate CAR Rules on an emergency basis if she finds that the immediate adoption of a Rule is necessary for the fair and equitable operation of CAR and that observance of the normal requirements for promulgation of Rules would be contrary to the public interest.

I have determined that amendments to Rules 22 and 29 are required immediately to ensure the fair and equitable operation of CAR, and further have determined that the observance of the normal requirements for promulgation of these amended Rules would delay their implementation and be contrary to the public interest.

I therefore am promulgating amendments to Rules 22 and 29 as Emergency Rules to be effective immediately. I will hold a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on March 6, 2009, at the Division of Insurance ("Division"), One South Station, Boston, MA to afford all interested parties an opportunity to provide oral and written comment about the Emergency Rules including, but not limited to, recommendations for modification or amendment of those Rules. Any person who wishes to provide oral comment about the Emergency Rules is requested to submit a Notice of Intent to Provide Oral Comment to the Division, along with a short written statement of the issues to be addressed in such comment, no later than March 2, 2009. All others will be heard after those who notify the Division in advance. All notices and submissions should be sent to the Docket Clerk, Hearings and Appeals, Division of Insurance, One South Station, Boston, MA 02110-2208, and refer to Docket No. C2009-01. A copy of the Emergency Rules may be accessed on the Division's website at www.mass.gov/doi.

February 5, 2009

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Commissioner of Insurance