



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Connecticut by her designated hearing officer will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, October 21st at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in Room 724 at the Insurance Department, 7th floor, 153 Market Street, Hartford, to consider two workers' compensation filings submitted by the National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI). NCCI's filings for voluntary market advisory pure premium loss costs and assigned risk plan rates are proposed to be effective January 1, 2005. NCCI proposes an average decrease of -0.3% for pure premium loss costs and an average increase of +4.2% in assigned risk rates.

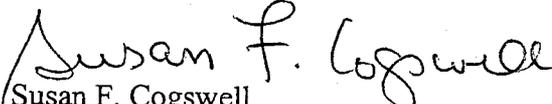
The overall change in the two filings are distributed by major industry group as follows:

| Industry Group | Pure Premium Loss Cost Change (%) | Assigned Risk Plan Rate Change (%) |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Manufacturing | -1.7 % | +2.7% |
| Contracting | -0.7% | +3.8% |
| Office & Clerical | -0.2% | +4.3% |
| Goods & Services | +2.0% | +6.6% |
| Miscellaneous | -3.0% | +1.4 % |
| Overall | -0.3% | +4.2% |

The public may examine copies of the filings during normal business hours at the Insurance Department, 153 Market Street, Hartford, and 7th Floor in the Property Casualty Division.

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Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 24th day of September, 2004


Susan F. Cogswell
Insurance Commissioner