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Special Attention: Unit Statistical Personnel

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ALL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Circular Letter 04-1414

RE: ACCCT Announces Release Of Web-Based Bureau Entry & Edit Package (BEEP)

Attached please find an announcement from the American Cooperative Council on Compensation Technology (ACCCT), dated January 28, 2004, regarding the release of its new webbased Bureau Entry & Edit Package (BEEP). BEEP was specifically designed for the effective entry and electronic submission of unit statistical information. This software product is designed to work with ACCCT's Compensation Data Exchange (CDX) application, which was announced on October 24, 2003.

This new ACCCT software application is available at no additional charge to current MWCIA member insurers.

The BEEP users guide may be found at www.accct.org. If you need information regarding MWCIA's electronic reporting requirements please visit our website at http://www.mwcia.org.

Access to BEEP is provided through ACCCT's Compensation Data Exchange (CDX). If you wish to utilize the CDX system to access BEEP, the contact person at MWCIA is Marc Coleman at 952.897.6438 or you can e-mail him at marc.coleman@mwcia.org.

Information on CDX can be found in MWCIA Circular Letter No. 03-1409, dated October 24, 2003.

If you have questions regarding the use of BEEP please contact our Unit Statistical Plan Department at 952.897.1737, Option 4.



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ACCCT ANNOUNCES RELEASE OF BEEP – Web Based January 28, 2004

INTRODUCTION

ACCCT is pleased to announce the release of its new web-based Bureau Entry & Edit Package (BEEP), which was specifically designed for the effective entry and electronic submission of unit statistical information. This software product is also designed to work with ACCCT's Compensation Data Exchange (CDX) application, which was announced earlier.

ACCCT's new web-based BEEP provides all of the functionality found in BEEP 2.5 such as:

- ➤ Initial Validation Edits at the entry workstation
- > Bundling of finished, validated reports into an electronic submission file for transmission to a Data Collection Organization (DCO)

Some additional benefits of web-based BEEP are:

- ➤ Insurers are able to use the most current version of BEEP without having to download and install newly released versions.
- > Submissions sent to a DCO through BEEP/CDX will be available for the DCO to process the same day it is sent, resulting in faster processing.

BEEP software provides member insurers with the functions outlined above for submission to virtually any state except for monopolistic jurisdictions. BEEP gives insurers the ability to perform initial validation of USR data for electronic filing with the jurisdiction. BEEP also allows for data developed by the insurer's own computer system to be imported and error-checked using those same data filing requirements.

BEEP provides extensive validation of unit statistical data in each of the jurisdictions with ACCCT BEEP project members. Jurisdictions include:

Workers' Compensation Insurance Rating Bureau of California, Delaware Compensation Rating Bureau, Inc., Workers' Compensation Rating and Inspection Bureau of Massachusetts, Compensation Advisory Organization of Michigan, Minnesota Workers' Compensation Insurers Association, Inc., New York Compensation Insurance Rating Board, North Carolina Rate Bureau, Pennsylvania Compensation Rating Bureau, Wisconsin Compensation Rating Bureau. Insurance Services Office is also a member of the ACCCT BEEP project.

In all other non-monopolistic jurisdictions, BEEP will allow carriers to compile unit statistical data, but with fewer validation checks than are available for ACCCT member jurisdictions.

This new ACCCT software application is available at no additional charge to current DCO member insurers in good standing.

HOW TO GET STARTED

Access to web-based BEEP is provided through ACCCT's CDX system. ACCCT has established a *Central Administrator* to process all applications and establish accounts for all member insurers who desire to use the CDX system. You may contact the Central Administrator or the ACCCT representative(s) at the appropriate DCO(s) as shown below for additional information or to receive an application.

The detailed descriptions and instructions pertaining to the use of BEEP are included in the BEEP User's Guide, which can be found on the ACCCT Web site at https://www.accct.org/default.asp.

ACCCT CONTACTS

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