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Bulletin 07-14

DATE: August 13, 2007
TO: Property and Casualty Insurers Writing Property Coverage
RE: Availability of Property Coverage in Maryland - 2007 Coastal Survey and Data Request

Pursuant to §19-112 of the Insurance Article, the Maryland Insurance Administration ("MIA") hereby requests each property and casualty insurer writing property coverage in Maryland to provide data related to homeowners insurance policies and certain commercial lines insurance policies for selected zip codes in coastal jurisdictions. This information is necessary for the 2007 Task Force on the Availability and Affordability of Property Insurance in Coastal Areas, staffed by the MIA.

For each of the following types of policies:

- Homeowners HO 2/HO 3 or similar policy
- Renters HO4 or similar policy
- Condominium HO 6 or similar policy
- Commercial Property - Any policy that provides coverage for commercial real property and/or commercial personal property including commercial multi-peril, businessowners or other similar policies that provide property coverage for commercial properties, hotels, apartment buildings , condominiums, etc.

Please provide answers (in narrative form) for questions 1 through 5 below. **For each, where applicable, please distinguish between new and renewal business requirements, restrictions or possible actions. If there are no differences, please state so.**

1. Does the company currently impose a minimum distance to the shoreline to make a risk eligible for coverage? If yes, see attached for submission format.
2. Does the company currently impose any other eligibility or underwriting restrictions that serve to cap your coastal exposure? If yes, provide a copy of these documents, including colored maps that identify restricted areas.

3. If the company does not currently have any such restrictions, has the company ever imposed any eligibility or underwriting restrictions that serve to cap your coastal exposure? If yes, provide a copy of those documents, including colored maps that identify restricted areas. **If maps are different between new and renewal business, provide both.**
4. Is the company currently considering imposing any eligibility or underwriting restrictions that serve to cap your coast exposure? If yes, explain.
5. Does the company impose any mandatory windstorm deductibles in either a minimum dollar amount or in a percentage amount? If yes, explain.

The requested data should be provided in the required formats as specified in this Bulletin. Please submit your data via email or a CD. Electronic submission is mandatory. Data should be submitted to: LGlemza@mdinsurance.state.md.us

For questions regarding the attached specifications, please contact Mr. Linas Glemza, Actuary, at (410) 468-2044 or LGlemza@mdinsurance.state.md.us

For general questions, please contact Dave Diehl, Chief Administrator, at (410) 468-2320 or DDiehl@mdinsurance.state.md.us

Requests for exemptions must be put in writing (email is acceptable). It must include the NAIC company number for each company for which the request is made. These will be granted on a case by case basis. Please send exemption requests to Mr. Linas Glemza and Dave Diehl of the Maryland Insurance Administration. If your company(ies) has no premiums for the requested lines, just inform us via email - no further action is required.

Please provide this information no later than **September 17, 2007**.

Peggy J. Watson
Interim Insurance Commissioner

By: 

P. Randi Johnson
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File Format - Excel

All data must start in cell A2 of the spreadsheet. PLEASE use headers. Below lists the columns in which the data must be placed. The placement of data must conform to this or the submission will be returned. The data must be placed in the following columns:

<u>Column</u>	<u>Description</u>
(A)	NAIC Group Code
(B)	NAIC Company Code
(C)	NAIC Company Name (NOT NAIC GROUP NAME)
(D)	LEAVE BLANK
(E)	City/County – This is a pre-filled column
(F)	Selected zip codes – This is a pre-filled column
(G)	Policy Type 1 - for Form HO2/HO3 or similar form 2 - for Form HO4 or similar form 3 - for Form HO6 or similar form 4 - for Commercial Lines policy
(H)	Type of Business 1 - RENEWAL 2 - NEW
(I)	Distance to Shoreline – convert to feet. If a distance rule is not used, enter the following: 0 - if write risks right up to the coast line n/a - if other method is used (e.g. zip code) n/w - if does not write risks within this distance
(J)	Mandatory higher Wind/Hail or Hurricane deductible for Column (H) If deductible is same as the AOP deductible, enter the AOP deductible Otherwise enter n/a
(K)	Zip code based requirement Y - if higher wind/hail is required N - if no higher wind/hail deductible is required X - if does not write risks in this zip code
(L)	Higher mandatory wind/hail deductible, enter: 1) Actual mandatory minimum wind/hail deductible; OR 2) n/a 3) X if does not write.

File Requirements - MAPS

Please adhere to the following requirements:

- 1) Map must be scaled to fit to entire page – letter size;
- 2) Must be submitted in landscape format (not portrait);
- 3) Label each map appropriately – residential or commercial. Multiple maps for each type are acceptable, but must be labeled appropriately;
- 4) Maps must include City and County borders and names;
- 5) Do not show zip code boundaries or roadways;
- 6) Do not show rating territories, or place insurance company name on the map;
- 7) Areas with deductible restrictions must be shown in pink (??). All other areas in a medium to light shade of green. Sub-restrictions must be explained in a separate document. For example, this would include distance requirement for no writing, and a mandatory higher wind/hail or hurricane deductible for a particular county.
- 8) Show bodies of water as blue;
- 9) File Format – JPG is preferred. Powerpoint (even if multislide) is acceptable as long as they are printable.

DATA and FILE Requirements

Requirements:

- 1) Filing naming convention
 - a) File name should contain NAIC group code (or NAIC Company code if group code is zero). Using company name is an acceptable alternative.
- 2) Spreadsheet detail requirements:
 - a) Arial font with font size of 12. Use default color of black;
 - b) Do not use currency format;
 - c) Do not submit formulas or spreadsheets that contain links;
 - d) Do not activate "Wrap Text";
 - e) Do not use borders or colored/highlighted cells;

For any other formatting issue, use the Excel default parameters.

- 3) We allow companies to submit disclaimers to their submissions. Due to space limitations, please keep it brief. Place disclaimers on a separate spreadsheet page.
- 4) On a separate spreadsheet, provide the following information:

Column A - Contact Name
Column B - Company Name
Column C - Company Address 1 (can also be Department name)
Column D - Company Address 2
Column E - City/State/Zip
Column F - Phone number
Column G - Fax number
Column H - Email address of contact name. **DO NOT SUBMIT THIS**
In HTML format. Text only.

NAIC Group Code	NAIC Company Code	Company Name	City/County	Selected Zipcode by County	Policy Type	NEW/R ENEW	Distance to Shoreline rules	Wind/Hail deductible based on distance	Zip code based requirement	Wind/Hail deductible based on zip
			Anne Arundel	20733						
			Anne Arundel	20751						
			Anne Arundel	20758						
			Anne Arundel	20764						
			Anne Arundel	20776						
			Anne Arundel	20778						
			Anne Arundel	20779						
			Anne Arundel	21012						
			Anne Arundel	21032						
			Anne Arundel	21037						
			Anne Arundel	21056						
			Anne Arundel	21122						
			Anne Arundel	21140						
			Anne Arundel	21146						
			Anne Arundel	21401						
			Anne Arundel	21402						
			Anne Arundel	21403						
			Baltimore City	21201						
			Baltimore City	21202						
			Baltimore City	21218						
			Baltimore City	21224						
			Baltimore City	21225						
			Baltimore City	21226						
			Baltimore City	21230						
			Baltimore City	21231						
			Baltimore County	21117						
			Baltimore County	21162						
			Baltimore County	21219						
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			Baltimore County	21237						
			Calvert	20615						
			Calvert	20639						
			Calvert	20657						

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Calvert	20714
Calvert	20732
Cecil	21901
Cecil	21903
Cecil	21915
Cecil	21919
Dorchester	21613
Dorchester	21622
Dorchester	21626
Dorchester	21631
Dorchester	21634
Dorchester	21669
Dorchester	21672
Dorchester	21675
Dorchester	21677
Dorchester	21869
Harford	21001
Harford	21005
Harford	21009
Harford	21010
Harford	21014
Harford	21017
Harford	21040
Harford	21078
Harford	21085
Kent	21610
Kent	21620
Kent	21645
Kent	21661
Kent	21678
Queen Anne	21617
Queen Anne	21619
Queen Anne	21638
Queen Anne	21658
Queen Anne	21666

Saint Mary's	20606
Saint Mary's	20618
Saint Mary's	20626
Saint Mary's	20628
Saint Mary's	20630
Saint Mary's	20636
Saint Mary's	20650
Saint Mary's	20670
Saint Mary's	20680
Saint Mary's	20684
Somerset	21816
Somerset	21817
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Somerset	21821
Somerset	21838
Somerset	21853
Somerset	21870
Somerset	21871
Talbot	21601
Talbot	21612
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Wicomico	21804
Wicomico	21814
Wicomico	21840
Wicomico	21856
Wicomico	21865
Worcester	21811
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