July 31, 2001

TO: Workers Compensation Insurance Carriers

And Self-Insurers Operating in the Commonwealth of Kentucky

FROM:

Ched Jennings Commissioner

Kentucky Department of Workers Claims

SUBJECT: WORKERS COMPENSATION BENEFIT SCHEDULE - 2002

The Cabinet for Workforce Development has certified that the average weekly wage of Kentucky, for the calendar year 2000 was \$550.66. Based upon that information and in accordance with KRS 342.143, the following determinations are made.

- 1. The increase in maximum income benefits under all provisions of the Workers

 Compensation Act for the year 2000 over the year 1999 did amount to \$2.00 or

 more; therefore, the maximum weekly indemnity benefits for calendar year 2002 shall be \$550.66.
- 2. There was an increase of \$1.00 or more in minimum income benefits; therefore, the minimum weekly indemnity benefits under all provisions of the Act shall be \$110.13 for calendar year 2002.

A schedule of indemnity benefits is attached hereto.

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SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY WORKERS COMPENSATION BENEFITS

TYPE OF DISABILITY SECTION OF STATUTE FOR INJURIES OCCURRING							
APPLICABLE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE OF THE STATE	01-01-97	01-01-98	01-01-99	01-01-00	01-01-01	01-01-02	
	thru	thru	thru	thru	thru	thru	
	12-31-97	12-31-98	12-31-99	12-31-00	12-31-01	12-31-02	
	\$447.03	\$465.36	\$487.20	\$509.03	\$530.07	\$550.66	
	(1995)	(1996)	(1997)	(1998)	(1999)	(2000)	
DEATH (KRS 342.750) a. Widow or widower with no children-50% of average weekly wage of deceased-subject to the following: MAXIMUM MINIMUM	\$223.52	\$232.68	\$243.60	\$254.51	\$265.04	\$275.33	
	89.41	93.07	97.44	101.81	106.01	110.13	
b. Widow or widower with children living in the home-45% of average weekly wage of deceased, plus 15% for each childsubject to the following: MAXIMUM MINIMUM	335.27	349.02	365.40	381.77	397.55	413.00	
	89.41	93.07	97.44	101.81	106.01	110.13	
c. Widow or widower with children not living in the home—40% of average weekly wage of deceased, plus 15% for each childsubject to the following: MAXIMUM MINIMUM	335.27	349.02	365.40	381.77	397.55	413.00	
	89.41	93.07	97.44	101.81	106.01	110.13	
d. One child, no widow or widower- 50% of average weekly wage of deceasedsubject to the following: MAXIMUM MINIMUM	223.52 89.41	232.68 93.07	243.60 97.44	254.51 101.81	265.04 106.01	275.33 110.13	
d(1) More than one child, no widow or widower-50% of average weekly wage of deceased for the first child with an additional 15% of average weekly wage of deceased for each additional child—subject to the following:							
MAXIMUM	335.27	349.02	365.40	381.77	397.55	413.00	
MINIMUM	89.41	93.07	97.44	101.81	106.01	110.13	

	ECTION OF STATUTE	FOR INJURIES OCCURRING						
	_	01-01-97 thru 12-31-97	01-01-98 thru 12-31-98	01-01-99 thru 12-31-99	01-01-00 thru 12-31-00	01-01-01 thru 12-31-01	01-01-02 thru 12-31-02	
e.	Dependent parents- 25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each parent subject to the following: MAXIMUM MINIMUM	335.27 89.41	349.02 93.07	365.40 97.44	381.77 101.81	397.55 106.01	413.00 110.13	
f.	Dependent brothers, sisters, grandparents and grandchildren-25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each dependent-subject to the following: MAXIMUM MINIMUM	335.27 89.41	349.02 93.07	365.40 97.44	381.77 101.81	397.55 106.01	413.00 110.13	
<u> </u>	above is subject to the maximum of 75	% of the average	e weekly wage of	the deceased.				
As a in a und with dire a luther	MP SUM DEATH BENEFIT CREASE KRS 342.750(6) amended effective July 14, 2000, ddition to all other benefits payable er this chapter, if death occurs nin four (4) years of the injury, as a ext result of a work-related injury, mp sum payment is to be made to deceased's estate, subject to the owing:				50,000.00	52,066.50	54,089.28	
TO' 66 2	MPORARY AND PERMANENT TAL KRS 342.730(1)(a) 2/3% of average weekly wage of bloyeesubject to the following:							
Citig	MAXIMUM	447.03	465.36	487.20	509.03	530.07	550.66	
	MINIMUM	89.41	93.07	97.44	101.81	106.01	110.13	
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PERMANENT PARTIAL FOR INJURIES OCCURRING AFTER 12-11-96 KRS 342.730(1)(b), (1)(c)2,&(1)(d) 99% of 66 2/3% of average weekly wage of employee subject to the following: MAXIMUM MINIMUM	335.27 NONE	349.02 NONE	365.40 NONE	381.77 NONE	397.55 None	413.00 NONE
PERMANENT PARTIAL FOR INJURIES OCCURRING AFTER 12-11-96 KRS 342.730 (1)(c)1,&(1)(d) When the employee does not retain physical capacity to return to type of work performed at time of injury- 99% of 66 2/3% of average weekly wage of employee subject to the following: MAXIMUM	447.03	465.36	487.20	509.03	530.07	550.66

NONE

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MINIMUM