



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DELAWARE COMPENSATION RATING BUREAU PROPOSED RATE INCREASE FILING

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER KAREN WELDIN STEWART, CIR-ML, hereby gives notice that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held on Monday, February 10, 2014 and Tuesday, February 11, 2014, beginning at 9:30 a.m., in the auditorium on the Mezzanine of the Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. Although the Hearing has been scheduled to be held over the course of two days, the first day (February 10, 2014) will be reserved for the receipt of oral comments from members of the public, and the second day (February 11, 2014) will be reserved for the introduction of evidence by the parties to the proceeding. If all parties agree, introduction of evidence by the parties may begin on the first day.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider whether the Delaware Compensation Rating Bureau (DCRB) Workers Compensation Bureau Filing No. 1305, dated October 9, 2013, complies with applicable law and should be allowed to go into effect, or whether the filing should be disapproved. The filing requests an overall rate level change of +38.52% for the residual market rates and requests an overall loss cost level change of +41.75% for the voluntary market loss costs. These filed amounts were based on indicated changes of +38.52% for the residual market rates and +41.75% for the voluntary market loss costs. The filing may be examined on the State of Delaware Department of Insurance website at http://www.delawareinsurance.gov/information/DE_Filing1305.pdf.

The hearing will be conducted pursuant to applicable law, including without limitation 18 Del. C. §§ 2605 and 2610, 29 Del. C. §§ 10121-29, and Delaware Insurance Department Regulation 804. The docket number assigned to this hearing is 2275-2013. The Honorable Joshua W. Martin, III, has been appointed to serve as the Hearing Officer.

**Karen Weldin Stewart, CIR-ML
Commissioner**



Delaware Department of Insurance

A party has the right to present evidence, be represented by Delaware counsel, and appear personally or by other representative. The Delaware Department of Insurance is obligated to reach its decision based on the evidence received.

For the first day of the hearing (February 10, 2014), comments are being solicited from any person. Such comments may be in writing or may be presented orally at the Hearing. Written comments must be received no later than Friday, January 31, 2014 by 4:30 p.m., and should be addressed to the attention of Rhonda West, Regulatory Specialist, Delaware Department of Insurance, 841 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, DE 19904. Also, those intending to provide oral comments at the hearing are asked to notify Rhonda West at 302.674.7379 or Rhonda.West@state.de.us, no later than 4:30 p.m., Friday, January 31, 2014.