STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS OFFICE OF SELF INSURANCE PLANS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Workers' Compensation – Self Insurance Regulations (Title 8, California Code of Regulations, Sections 15201, 15214, 15251, 15300, 15400.2, 15405, 15430.1, 15478, 15481 and 15484)

PUBLIC HEARING

The Department has received a request for a public hearing on the proposed amendments to group self insurance regulations, Title 8, California Code of Regulations, Sections 15201, 15214, 15251, 15300, 15400, 15405, 15430.1, 15478, 15481, and 15484.

Accordingly, pursuant to Government Code Section 11346.8(a), a public hearing has been scheduled as follows:

Date: December 7, 2010

Time: 9:00 am

Place: 9800 Old Placerville Road,

Sacramento, Ca. 95827

Parking: In Lot Suite 100 Only

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

Any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, may submit written comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action to Office of Self Insurance Plans. The written comment period has been extended until December 7, 2010 and closes at 5:00 p.m. on that date, December 7, 2010. The Department will consider only comments post marked or received at the Office of Self Insurance Plans by that date. Submit written comments concerning the proposed regulations prior to the close of the public comment period to:

James A. Ware, Chief Office of Self Insurance Plans 2265 Watt Avenue, Suite 1 Sacramento, CA 95825

AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS, TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS, RULEMAKING FILE AND DOCUMENTS SUPPORTING THE RULEMAKING FILE/INTERNET ACCESS

The Initial Notice of Rulemaking, the Initial Statement of Reasons and the text of the proposed regulations in plain English have been prepared and are available from the Regulations Coordinator named in this notice. The entire rulemaking file will be made available for inspection and copying at the address indicated below.

As of the date of this Notice, the rulemaking file consists of this Notice, the Notice of Rulemaking, the Initial Statement of Reasons, the proposed text of the regulations, prerulemaking and the Form 399.

In addition, the Notice, Initial Statement of Reasons, and proposed text of the regulations being proposed may be accessed and downloaded from the Division's website at http://www.dir.ca.gov/SIP/. To access them, click on the "Proposed Regulations – Rulemaking" link.

Any interested person may inspect a copy or direct questions about the proposed regulations and any supplemental information contained in the rulemaking file. The rulemaking file will be available for inspection at the Department of Industrial Relations, Office of Self Insurance Plans, 2265 Watt Avenue, Suite 1, Sacramento, California 95825, between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Copies of the proposed regulations, Initial Statement of Reasons and any information contained in the rulemaking file may be requested in writing to the Regulations Coordinator.

CONTACT PERSON FOR GENERAL QUESTIONS

Non-substantive inquiries concerning this action, such as requests to be added to the mailing list for rulemaking notices, requests for copies of the text of the proposed regulations, the Initial Statement of Reasons, and any supplemental information contained in the rulemaking file may be requested in writing at the same address. The contact person is:

Tina Freese
Workers' Compensation Compliance Officer/Regulations Coordinator
Department of Industrial Relations
Office of Self Insurance Plans
2265 Watt Avenue, Ste 1
Sacramento, CA 95825
E-mail: tfreese@dir.ca.gov

The telephone number of the contact person is (916) 574-0737.

CONTACT PERSON FOR SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS

In the event the contact person above is unavailable, or for questions regarding the substance of the proposed regulations, inquiries should be directed to:

James A. Ware, Chief
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2265 Watt Avenue, Ste 1
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E-mail: <u>jware@dir.ca.gov</u>.

The telephone number of this contact person is (916) 574-0300.

AUTOMATIC MAILING

A copy of this Notice will automatically be sent to those interested persons on the Administrative Director's mailing list. A copy of the Notice of Rulemaking was sent to those interested persons on the Administrative Director's mailing list on October 12, 2010.

If adopted, the regulations with any final amendments will appear in Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, commencing with section 1. The text of the final regulations also may be available through the website of the Office of Administrative Law at www.oal.ca.gov.