

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Division of Industrial Accidents

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To: ALL INSURERS

Referring to General Laws, Chapter 152, Section 65B, as enacted by Chapter 489 of the Acts of 1939, insurers are hereby notified of the following three rules adopted by the Industrial Accident Board in relation to the mode and routine of cancellations of policies assigned under Section 65A of said Chapter 152 as enacted by said Chapter 489.

"Any insurer desiring to cancel policy of insurance issued under Section 65A shall state in writing in the form prescribed by the Department (see Mass. I. A. B. form no. 26) its desire to cancel such policy and give notice to the employer thereof by sending by registered mail, return receipt requested, a copy of said writing and thereafter file with the Department a copy of said writing together with such receipt or other sufficient evidence of its receipt by the employer.

"Compliance by the insurer with the provisions of the foregoing section shall be effective to cancel any such policy on the tenth day after the receipt by the employer of such notice unless (1) the employer shall have, within said ten day period, filed with the Department objections to such cancellation or (2) that the Department shall have ordered otherwise for reasonable cause.

"Where the employer files objections in writing within ten days after the receipt of notice from the insurance company of its desire to cancel a policy issued under Section 65A or where the Department for reasonable cause declines to approve any cancellation, the case shall be set for hearing as soon as possible thereafter and such hearing and subsequent proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with Sections 16 and 8 of the Chapter and the Rules of the Department."

Yours very truly,

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