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AMENDMENT TO CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 342

TO: **All Interested Persons**

FROM: **Department of Industrial Accidents**

RE: **Correction to COLA Calculation Table #1**

DATE: **November 6, 2012**

Due to an error in calculation of the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Table for Multiplier in columns 3, 4 and 9 was incorrect. The Department of Industrial Accidents is issuing a correction to that table retroactive to October 1, 2012. Please refer to the attached amended Table 1 for use in COLA adjustments.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Calculation of COLA Multipliers and Reimbursement Factors

Table I - CORRECTED 11-06-2012

Year	Statewide Average Weekly Wage (SAWW)	Annual SAWW Change	Capped Change, Pre 12/24/91	Section 34B Multiplier Pre 12/24/91 Reimbursement Factor Pre 10/2/86	Annual CPI Change	Capped Change, Post 12/23/91	Section 34B Multiplier, Post 12/23/91	Section 35F Capped Change	Section 35F Multiplier	Section 34B Reimbursement Factor Post 10/1/86
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
1938	$25.63	1.0336	1.0336	40.8865	-	-	-	-	-	-
1939	$26.49	0.9970	0.9970	39.6110	-	-	-	-	-	-
1940	$26.41	1.1356	1.1000	39.7309	-	-	-	-	-	-
1941	$29.99	1.1834	1.1000	36.1191	-	-	-	-	-	-
1942	$35.49	1.1074	1.1000	32.8354	-	-	-	-	-	-
1943	$39.30	1.0422	1.0422	29.8504	-	-	-	-	-	-
1944	$40.96	1.0249	1.0249	28.6407	-	-	-	-	-	-
1945	$41.98	1.0543	1.0543	27.9447	-	-	-	-	-	-
1946	$44.26	1.0888	1.0888	26.5053	-	-	-	-	-	-
1947	$48.19	1.0770	1.0770	24.3437	-	-	-	-	-	-
1948	$51.90	1.0150	1.0150	22.6036	-	-	-	-	-	-
1949	$52.68	1.0581	1.0581	22.2689	-	-	-	-	-	-
1950	$55.74	1.0797	1.0797	21.0464	-	-	-	-	-	-
1951	$60.18	1.0419	1.0419	19.4935	-	-	-	-	-	-
1952	$62.70	1.0470	1.0470	18.7101	-	-	-	-	-	-
1953	$65.65	1.0296	1.0296	17.8694	-	-	-	-	-	-
1954	$67.59	1.0468	1.0468	17.3564	-	-	-	-	-	-
1955	$70.75	1.0540	1.0540	16.5812	-	-	-	-	-	-
1956	$74.57	1.0426	1.0426	15.7319	-	-	-	-	-	-
1957	$77.75	1.0368	1.0368	15.0885	-	-	-	-	-	-
1958	$80.61	1.0515	1.0515	14.5531	-	-	-	-	-	-
1959	$84.76	1.0316	1.0316	13.8405	-	-	-	-	-	-
1960	$87.44	1.0327	1.0327	13.4163	-	-	-	-	-	-
1961	$90.30	1.0384	1.0384	12.9914	-	-	-	-	-	-
1962	$93.77	1.0309	1.0309	12.5106	-	-	-	-	-	-
1963	$96.67	1.0484	1.0484	12.1353	-	-	-	-	-	-
1964	$101.35	1.0339	1.0339	11.5751	-	-	-	-	-	-
1965	$104.79	1.0448	1.0448	11.1949	-	-	-	-	-	-
1966	$109.48	1.0435	1.0435	10.7154	-	-	-	-	-	-
1967	$114.24	1.0599	1.0599	10.2689	-	-	-	-	-	-
1968	$121.08	1.0772	1.0772	9.6888	-	-	-	-	-	-
1969	$130.43	1.0045	1.0045	8.9942	-	-	-	-	-	-
1970	$131.02	1.0638	1.0638	8.9538	-	-	-	-	-	-
1971	$139.38	1.0736	1.0736	8.4168	-	-	-	-	-	-
1972	$149.64	1.0396	1.0396	7.8396	-	-	-	-	-	-
1973	$155.57	1.0529	1.0529	7.5409	-	-	-	-	-	-
1974	$163.80	1.0670	1.0670	7.1620	-	-	-	-	-	-
1975	$174.78	1.0691	1.0691	6.7120	-	-	-	-	-	-
1976	$186.85	1.0667	1.0667	6.2784	-	-	-	-	-	-
1977	$199.31	1.0605	1.0605	5.8859	-	-	-	-	-	-
1978	$211.37	1.0754	1.0754	5.5501	-	-	-	-	-	-
1979	$227.31	1.0799	1.0799	5.1609	-	-	-	-	-	-
1980	$245.48	1.0996	1.0996	4.7788	-	-	-	-	-	-
1981	$269.93	1.1034	1.1000	4.3460	-	-	-	-	-	-
1982	$297.85	1.0753	1.0753	3.9509	-	-	-	-	-	-
1983	$320.29	1.0648	1.0648	3.6741	-	-	-	-	-	-
1984	$341.06	1.0570	1.0570	3.4505	-	-	-	-	-	-
1985	$360.50	1.0640	1.0640	3.2643	-	-	-	1.0500	2.7333	0.5309
1986	$383.57	1.0715	1.0715	3.0680	-	-	-	1.0500	2.6033	0.4647
1987	$411.00	1.0808	1.0808	2.8633	-	-	-	1.0500	2.4794	0.3839
1988	$444.20	1.0681	1.0681	2.6493	-	-	-	1.0500	2.3612	0.2881
1989	$474.47	1.0339	1.0339	2.4802	-	-	-	1.0339	2.2488	0.2314
1990	$490.57	1.0509	1.0509	2.3989	-	-	-	1.0500	2.1749	0.2240
1991	$515.52	1.0539	1.0539	2.2828	1.0370	1.0370	1.6041	1.0500	2.0714	0.2114
1992	$543.30	1.0417	1.0417		1.0240	1.0240	1.5472	1.0417	-	-
1993	$565.94	1.0348	1.0348		1.0280	1.0280	1.5109	1.0348	-	-
1994	$585.66	1.0314	1.0314		1.0240	1.0240	1.4698	1.0314	-	-
1995	$604.03	1.0447	1.0447		1.0270	1.0270	1.4353	1.0447	-	-
1996	$631.03	1.0547	1.0547		1.0230	1.0230	1.3977	1.0500	-	-
1997	$665.55	1.0516	1.0516		1.0160	1.0160	1.3663	1.0500	-	-
1998	$699.91	1.0711	1.0711		1.0210	1.0210	1.3446	1.0500	-	-
1999	$749.69	1.1083	1.1000		1.0206	1.0206	1.3170	1.0500	-	-
2000	$830.89	1.0723	1.0723		1.0340	1.0340	1.2906	1.0500	-	-
2001	$890.94	0.9906	0.9906		1.0280	0.9906	1.2480	0.9906	-	-
2002	$882.57	1.0021	1.0021		1.0210	1.0021	1.2598	1.0021	-	-
2003	$884.46	1.0388	1.0388		1.0282	1.0282	1.2572	1.0388	-	-
2004	$918.78	1.0433	1.0433		1.0346	1.0346	1.2228	1.0433	-	-
2005	$958.58	1.0437	1.0437		1.0365	1.0365	1.1817	1.0437	-	-
2006	$1,000.43	1.0431	1.0431		1.0361	1.0361	1.1402	1.0431	-	-
2007	$1,043.54	1.0477	1.0477		1.0256	1.0256	1.1287	1.0477	-	-
2008	$1,093.27	1.0013	1.0013		1.0399	1.0013	1.0743	1.0013	-	-
2009	$1,094.70	0.9940	0.9940		1.0002	0.9940	1.0717	0.9940	-	-
2010	$1,088.06	1.0439	1.0439		1.0197	1.0197	1.0531	1.0439		
2011	$1,135.82	1.0328	1.0328		1.0305	1.0305	1.0328	1.0328		
2012	$1,173.06	1.0000	1.0000		1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000		

Use Northeast Region CPI
Use % diff between current and prev yr SAWW
Use % diff between current CPI and prev CPI

Notes:
(2) Provided by the Massachusetts Division of Unemployment Assistance.
(3) (2) Year X / (2) Year(X-1).
(4) (3), subject to a maximum of 10%.
(5) Cumulative product of (4)
(6) Provided by Bureau of Labor Statistics.
(7) Minimum of (4) and (6).
(8) Cumulative product of (7).
(9) (3) subject to a maximum of 5%.
(10) Cumulative product of (9)
(11) (5) - (10)