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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Docket No. G2018-01

**In the Matter of the Methodology for Determining Fees Paid to Participating Dentists by
Dental Service of Massachusetts, Inc., d/b/a Delta Dental of Massachusetts**

On June 13, 2018, Dental Service of Massachusetts, Inc., d/b/a Delta Dental of Massachusetts (“Delta Dental”) filed with the Division of Insurance (“Division”) a proposed methodology for determining fees to be paid to participating dentists providing services to persons covered under the Delta Dental Premier and Delta Dental PPO products that Delta Dental offers in Massachusetts. Delta Dental proposes to implement the new methodology on January 1, 2019, stating that it will supersede the methodology that the Commissioner approved on July 15, 2010. The filing has been assigned Docket No. G2018-01.

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commissioner of Insurance under M.G.L. c. 176E, §4, the Division will hold a public hearing on July 12, 2018, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1-E at its offices, 1000 Washington Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02118. The hearing will be conducted as a regulatory hearing in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, §2. The purpose of the hearing is to afford all interested persons an opportunity to provide oral and/or written comment about whether Delta Dental’s proposed new fee methodology complies with the standards for approving filings submitted under M.G.L. c. 176E, §4.

Any person who wishes to provide oral comment is requested to file a Notice of Intent to Comment with the Division on or before July 10, 2018. Other persons who wish to provide oral comment will be heard after those who notify the Division in advance. Written comments may be submitted at the hearing, or until the record of the hearing is closed. Written comments may be sent by mail addressed to: Docket Clerk, Hearings and Appeals, Division of Insurance, 1000 Washington Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02118-6200, or by e-mail to DOIdocket.mailbox@mass.gov, and must refer to Docket No. G2018-01.

Dated: June 13, 2018

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Commissioner of Insurance