Hearing on the Data Collection and Submission Practices of the American International Group with Respect to Massachusetts Workers’ Compensation Insurance
Docket No. W2005-05

On January 25, 2005, Commissioner of Insurance Julianne M. Bowler, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 152, § 52C(d), initiated an inquiry into the cooperative activities and practices of members of the American International Group ("AIG") writing workers’ compensation insurance in Massachusetts regarding submission of data relating to that line of business to the Workers’ Compensation Rating and Inspection Bureau ("WCRIB") with respect to rate filing and rate making. The purpose of the inquiry, as set out in the hearing notice, was to determine whether any activity or practice in connection with such submissions to the WCRIB was unfair, unreasonable, or otherwise inconsistent with the statute.

The hearing, which took place on February 16, was conducted to establish, first, the framework of the WCRIB’s reporting system for workers’ compensation insurance data, and then to elicit information on AIG’s data reporting activities. Staff from the WCRIB and AIG were available to answer questions. The State Rating Bureau ("SRB"), Attorney General, ("AG") and the WCRIB each had an opportunity to query the AIG representatives.

In the course of the proceeding, AIG agreed to provide additional information to the WCRIB. At the conclusion of the hearing on February 16, 2005, the AG requested that the record remain open, at least until AIG supplied all the material it had agreed to produce and
further suggested that this proceeding might be a forum in which to oversee progress on AIG’s resolution of its workers’ compensation insurance data problems. No date was set for closing the record.

No participant in the hearing requested a hearing on AIG’s subsequent data submissions or on its plans for corrective action. Further, to the extent that this inquiry was undertaken to address issues that arose specifically in connection with the WCRIB’s 2005 workers’ compensation insurance rate filing, it is now moot.

For these reasons, we now close the record and terminate this proceeding.

Dated: May 9, 2007

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Presiding Officer    Presiding Officer

Affirmed this ______day of May, 2007.

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Commissioner of Insurance