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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 1 - 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)