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TO: Georgia Licensed Workers' Compensation Insurers
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FROM: Judge Richard Thompson, Chairman

RE: Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Requirements

DATE: June 29, 2010

SBWC Electronic Filing Mandate 2009

The Electronic Filing Mandate 2009 required all **new** lost time claims with date of injury after June 30, 2009 be submitted via EDI. However, the Board continues to receive the WC-1 (First Report of Injury or Accident) and subsequent paper forms for these lost time claims in paper. The Board requires that your organization implement EDI transmission of all **new** lost time claims and the subsequent forms, by September 1, 2010. This new date provides a final extension of 60 days for our partners to complete the implementation.

At the end of this period, (9/1/10), no paper forms WC-1s, WC-2s, WC-2a, WC-3s, or WC-4s will be accepted by the Board for new lost time claims from Insurers, Self-Insurers, Group Funds and Third Party Administrators who are registered as EDI Trading Partners with the State of Georgia.

Maintenance of existing claims will continue in paper or by registered users of the Board's web-based claims filing system.

Use of Consolidators

The Board expects many organizations will want to use third-party vendors; organizations that can accept data and pass it successfully via EDI transmissions to the Board. We have posted on our website the contact information for several of the EDI service vendors who have successfully completed the EDI tests for Georgia to assist in your search for a service provider in the event you do not plan to do EDI in-house.

Web Site Updates

Georgia's requirements for the IAIABC EDI Release 3 standards are posted on our web site (<http://sbwc.ga.gov>) under **EDI Updates**. Please refer to this site for future updates. If you have any questions about implementing EDI with Georgia, send your questions to the EDI email address at the Board. Include EDI Implementation in the subject line of your email to EDI@SBWC.GA.GOV.

We appreciate your help and enthusiasm as we complete the rollout of this exciting new system.

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