TO:   All Licensed Insurers Writing Personal and Commercial Property Insurance in the State of South Carolina

FROM:  Scott H. Richardson, CPCU
        Director of Insurance

DATE:  October 4, 2007

RE:  Data Call Request for Policy Information on Risks Written in the South Carolina Wind & Hail Underwriting Association Territory

On March 21, 2007, and subsequently on June 1, 2007, the Director of Insurance issued Orders expanding the territory covered by the South Carolina Wind and Hail Underwriting Association (“Wind Pool”) to address wind and hail insurance availability concerns from consumers living in the coastal area. As a follow-up to these expansions, the Department is issuing a Data Call to determine, in part, the effects of the expansion on the number of policies written with or without wind and hail coverage in the Wind Pool area as defined by statute 38-75-310 and the expansions made in Order Numbers 2007-01 and 2007-03.

South Carolina Code Ann. § 38-13-160 (Supp 2006) provides that the Director or his designee may require insurers authorized to write insurance coverages within the state to answer special inquiries regarding its transactions. The Department is conducting this Data Call using the capabilities of the Internet. You will only receive this cover memorandum. The Data Call letter and file format are available on the Department’s website at http://www.doi.sc.gov/company/windpooldatacall/.

This Data Call is for personal lines business, including dwelling, tenant, condo and mobile-homeowners and commercial business including BOP and SMP. Farm policies are excluded. The data must be recorded monthly and reported to the Department on a quarterly basis until further notice. The first report is due at the Department no later than November 15, 2007 covering the months of January through September for the current and prior years. Subsequent reports must be received by the Department by January 15, 2008 and by the 15th day following the end of each quarter thereafter. Once the data has been analyzed, the Department may require detailed records if deemed necessary. All questions and responses regarding this request should be submitted to Derek McKee, Assistant Actuary, via e-mail at windpooldatacall@doi.sc.gov.

THE EXHIBIT MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY NOVEMBER 15, 2007. NO EXTENSION WILL BE GRANTED.