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TO: All Insurers Authorized to Transact Health Insurance Business in the State of Alaska

RE: Survey on Health Insurance

Effective September 1, 1999, a new paragraph was added to AS 21.06.110 requiring that the director's annual report contain "statistical information regarding health insurance, including the number of individual and group policies sold or terminated in the state." To comply with this directive, the division requests that all insurers who are licensed to transact health insurance business in Alaska and who offer a health care insurance plan in this state complete the attached survey and return it to the director by September 21, 2001.

The information gathered in this survey will be used to assist the legislature in determining the potential impact of legislative mandates on the health insurance market in Alaska, to report health insurance statistics in the director's annual report, and to verify the information provided to the director under AS 21.56.075. Data gathered in last year's survey was summarized into a company market-share-by-product report that was provided to Alaska legislators for their use in making policy decisions. This market share information was provided to both consumers and producers who contacted the division to inform them of availability of specific products, and was also used by the division to help validate the Small Employer Health Reinsurance Association assessment base.

This bulletin and survey are available on the Internet. In order to access this survey on the Internet, go to our web page at **www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/bulletins/bulletins.htm**

There, you may select Bulletin B 01-12 or the survey on health insurance.

If you have Microsoft Excel:

1. Open "2001 Survey.xls" and save the survey to your hard drive, then open Microsoft Excel and the document you just saved.
2. Fill in the requested information and save the document.
3. E-mail the completed document as an attachment to no later than September 21, 2001.

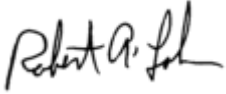
If you do not have Microsoft Excel, you can access a PDF version of the survey:

1. Open "2001 Survey.pdf"
2. Fill in the requested information.
3. Click on the Submit button to send us your response no later than September 21, 2001.

If you do not have access to electronic mail, you may fax your response to the Financial

Section (907) 465-3422 or mail it to the Division of Insurance; Attention Financial Section;
P.O. Box 110805; Juneau, Alaska 99811-0805.

DATED: August 16, 2001.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert A. Lohr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "R".

Robert A. Lohr
Director