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Florida Office of Insurance Regulation

Kevin M. McCarty, Commissioner

To Residential Property Insurers in the State of Florida

Premium Discounts for Hurricane Loss Mitigation

The purpose of this memorandum is to remind residential property insurers of the requirement to make a filing by March 1, 2007 adopting new windstorm mitigation discounts.

During the October 3rd, 2006 Financial Services Commission (FSC) meeting, the FSC approved Section 690-170.017, F.A.C. titled "Windstorm Mitigation Discounts" which became effective December 17, 2006. This rule requires all residential property insurance carriers writing business in the State of Florida to make a filing with the Office of Insurance Regulation (Office) to adopt the new windstorm mitigation discounts by March 1, 2007.

On January 30, 2007, the FSC adopted Emergency Rule 69OER7-1, F.A.C. effective January 31, 2007. The FSC's adoption of this Emergency Rule does not relieve insurers of the obligation to comply with the requirement to file the new windstorm mitigation discounts by March 1, 2007. Consequently, the windstorm mitigation discount filing shall not include any modification of the rating factors or base rates for any purpose, including the offset of revenue impact on current business.

The rule and associated forms may be found at <http://www.floir.com/hurricanes/hurricanelossmitigation.htm>.

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