SUBJECT: **2007 RATE INSTRUCTIONS -- Community-Rated Carriers**

Please use the enclosed documents to prepare your 2007 rate proposal. You must submit your proposal and the completed attachments by **May 31, 2006**. May 31 is the deadline required by regulations and no one can grant extensions.

See the enclosed "OPM Community Rating Guidelines - 2007" for pertinent definitions and an overall view of our community rating policy for 2007.

If you are a small carrier (see guidelines for definition), you may:

1) Elect to submit as a large carrier (in which case, we will consider you as a large carrier);

2) Elect to submit as a small carrier and
   a) If your 2006 income from the Federal group will be $500,000 or more,
      • you must submit Attachments I, IA, IIB, and IIC, and
      • **complete Attachments II and IIA and keep them on file and available for OPM review**; or
   b) If your 2006 income from the Federal group will be less than $500,000,
      • you must submit Attachments I, IIB, and IIC, and
      • you do not need to complete or retain Attachments II or IIA.

If you are a large carrier (see guidelines for definition), you must complete and submit to OPM, Attachments II, IIA, IIB, and IIC.

This proposal is being e-mailed to you as a Word document. This year your proposal should be submitted electronically. Please e-mail your proposal as a Word document to Actuary@opm.gov. Please send any additional information by overnight delivery to each of the following addresses:

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Also, please remember your first quarter enrollment report, Table 1, was due on April 15 to:

Eric Figg  
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Please direct your questions about the 2007 rate submission to Sherry Simon, or Sharon Tu at (202) 606-0722, or actuary@opm.gov.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Danbeck  
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Enclosures