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## STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION BUREAU OF INSURANCE

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TO: THE PRESIDENT OF THE INSURER ADDRESSED

CO:

RE: Automobile Rate Classification Statement

## IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED

By letter dated May 9, 1977, identified as 1977-6, I advised this Company and all other Companies licensed to write Motor Vehicle Insurance in Virginia of certain legislation enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia at its 1977 Session, and directed that appropriate action be taken. That letter advised, in part as follows:

2. Chapter 188 (S 804) adds §38.1-381.7 to the Code of Virginia, and provides that any insurer issuing policies of automobile insurance shall provide the named insured at the time of issuance or renewal with a statement defining the rate classifications of the insured. The new statute also provides that the Commissioner of Insurance shall approve the form of such statement prior to its use.

Insurance Services Office (1SO) is preparing a Reference Document submission for the Rate Classification Statement form explaining the new expanded Classification Plan (the so-called 161 Class Plan) and the Safe Driver Insurance Plan that were incorporated in the ISO submission on December 27, 1976 of Reference Document PP-77-RA-1.

If this company has adopted the 161 Class Plan and the Safe Driver Insurance Plan by adoption of ISO Reference Document PP-77-RA-1, or if this

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company has independently physically filed both such Plans in the precise wording thereof, the required filing of Rate Classification Statement form can be accomplished by advising the Commissioner of Insurance in writing, in duplicate, of the adoption and the No. thereof of the Reference Document that ISO will submit containing the Statement form.

NOTE: ISO has submitted the Rate Classification Statement form for the 161 Class Plan as Reference Document PP-77-RA-5.

ISO will not submit a Reference Document for a Rate Classification Statement form explaining the old Classification Plan (the so-called 7 Class Plan) and the Safe Driver Insurance Plan which have been in effect in Virginia for a number of years.

If this company continues to use the old 7 Class Plan or the old Safe Driver Insurance Plan, or if this company has independently physically filed a different Classification Plan or a different Safe Driver Insurance Plan, a Rate Classification Statement form explaining the Classification Plan and the Safe Driver Insurance Plan utilized by this company must be physically filed with this office for approval.

Note that the requirement to provide the Rate Classification Statement is applicable to all new and renewal motor vehicle policies that become effective on and after July 1, 1977.

Records in this office indicate that this Company has  $\frac{\text{not}}{\text{form}}$ .

Should the required filing not be received in this office on or before August 1, 1977, appropriate action will be instituted against this Company pursuant to the provisions of §§38.1-40 and 38.1-389 of the Code of Virginia.

Very truly yours,

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Commissioner of Insurance