MEMORANDUM

TO: Federally Registered Life Insurance Companies and Fraternal Benefit

Societies

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SUBJECT: Memorandum to the Actuary (Life Insurance) 20032004

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<u>bsif.gc.ca/eng/publications/guidance/index_financial.asp#Memorandum_to_the_Actuary</u>

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This year's Memorandum has the following changes as compared to the previous year's version:

- Fine-tuning of some of the requirements;
- A new <u>sub-section on Source of Earnings sectiondeferred acquisition costs for segregated funds and inter-segment notes, and;</u>
- New reporting requirements for participating closed-blocks;
- Additional reporting for MCCSR and TAAM, and;

Reflection of the introduction of Guideline E-15 on External Review.

Actuaries are reminded that they should pay special attention to the current low interest rate environment in setting valuation assumptions and DCAT scenarios.

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