



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

IMPORTANT NOTICE

DATE: DECEMBER 1, 2006

TO: ALL INSURERS AND INSURANCE PRODUCERS WITH
PROPERTY/CASUALTY OR PERSONAL LINES AUTHORITY

FROM: JAYNE MCLAUGHLIN, LICENSING PROGRAM MANAGER

RE: FLOOD INSURANCE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO
SECTION 207 OF THE FLOOD INSURANCE REFORM ACT OF 2004

This Notice is being issued to all *Connecticut-licensed Insurers*, and *Connecticut Resident Insurance Producers* with *Property/Casualty* or *Personal Lines* authority, to advise of new training requirements for selling flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

Section 207 of the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004 mandates that the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in cooperation with the insurance industry, state insurance regulators, and other interested parties, establish minimum training and education requirements. FEMA and state-approved continuing education providers are developing courses related to the NFIP.

Connecticut Resident Insurance Producers with Property/Casualty or Personal Lines authority may satisfy this minimum training and education requirement by completing a one-time, three (3) credit NFIP Flood Insurance course, approved by the Connecticut Insurance Department. The three (3) credits will be applied toward the licensee's total Property/Casualty credit requirement. Failure to comply with this continuing education requirement could jeopardize the Producer's authority to write insurance through the NFIP.

To receive credit for this one-time requirement, the course must be taken on or after August 1, 2007, and must be completed on or before Producer's next expiry/birth date.

Licensed insurers will be required to demonstrate to the Commissioner, upon request, that their licensed and appointed Property/Casualty and Personal Lines Insurance Producers have complied with the minimum federal flood insurance training requirements.