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The Honorable Roger A. Sevigny
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Dear Commissioner Sevigny:

On behalf the of membership of the Professional Insurance Agents of New Hampshire, I'm writing to you in regard to recently passed Senate Bill 500, Chapter Law 378 of the 2008 legislative session.

PIA members have been discussing and are interested in learning more about the Insurance Department's view of some of the new language requirements for "Certificates of Insurance" to take effect Jan. 1, 2009. As of the first of the year, New Hampshire RSA 412:37-a will require the following information to be included on certificates of insurance:

RSA 412:37-a. Certificates of Insurance.

Every certificate of insurance issued or presented in this state pursuant to workers' compensation insurance policy shall contain the following information:

- I. all states for which such statutory coverage is provided.
- II. names of all executive officers or members who are excluded, if any, pursuant to RSA 281-A:18-a, or a notation that no executive officers or members are excluded; and
- III. names of all sole proprietors or partners who have elected to be covered under the policy or a notation that no sole proprietors or partners are covered.

Specifically, PIA members are interested in examining the potential for agent and agency liability as it relates to the implementation of this new law. While good faith efforts to provide accurate and correct information by agents and agencies will likely continue to be recognized by your department, there are potential circumstances outside of that standard that would be appropriate for a review by your office.

PIA, and its New Hampshire leadership, would welcome a meeting to discuss this matter prior to the law's effective date. Thank you for your consideration on this request and PIA looks forward to further cooperative efforts with you and your department.

Sincerely,

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