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## **REVISED COMMERCIAL UMBRELLA RULE AND RATE MANUAL APPROVED**

- BACKGROUND** At the request of MSO® affiliated companies, we have revised the Commercial Umbrella Program rule and rate manual. The 2006 manual replaces the current 2003 edition. Revisions to the rules and rates were based on changes introduced by the reinsurers.
- PROGRAM CHANGES** Changes introduced with the update include the following:
- Under the Scope of Coverage section, the Mandatory State Provisions were moved from the main manual to new individual Commercial Umbrella State Section exception pages. The state Territory Definitions were also moved to the individual state exception pages.
  - Ineligible Exposures section: Wording changes were made to the Automobile exposures, Legal Liability, Logging, Risks engaged in manufacturing and Contractors categories. Aircraft Liability and Swimming Pool Installation exposures were added.
  - Rating Procedures section: Eligibility wording changes were made to the Habitational - Apartment and Condominiums, Hotels and Motels and Unlicensed Recreational Vehicles sections.
  - Minimum Premiums section: Under the Rating section, the minimum premium dollar receipt amounts, vehicle definitions, and minimum premium amounts were revised.
- MSO ACTION** We have filed and received approval of the revised manual in Delaware, Indiana, Maryland and Pennsylvania. It is available for use in New Jersey.
- EFFECTIVE DATE** April 1, 2006
- DISTRIBUTION** The revised manual pages will be added to the CD-ROM. Affiliated companies will be able to access these through our website: <http://www.msonet.com>.
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