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July 24, 2008

The Honorable Tim Carpenter, State Senator Chairperson, Senate Committee on Public Health, Senior Issues, Long Term Care and Privacy State Capitol Room 306 South Madison WI 53702

Re: Section Ins 3.455, 3.46, 3.465, Wis. Adm. Code, relating to long-term care including long-term partnership program qualifying policies

Clearinghouse Rule No. 08-032

Dear Senator Carpenter:

I am submitting a modification to this proposed rule for your consideration under s. 227.19 (4) (b), Wis. Stat. It is necessary to modify the rule as follows:

1. Technical corrections to s. lns 3.46 (16) (a), to read:

Ins 3.46 (16) (a)This subsection may not apply to life insurance policies that acclerate benefits for long-term care or to insurers that offer group long-term care insurance policies when the group policy is issued to a local, municipal, county or state public employee group, the coverage was negotiated as part of a colletivley collectively bargained agreement, the policy is issued to all eligible employees on a guarantee issue basis and containes contains at least a 5% compound annualized inflation protection except as to individual spouses that are underwritten by the insurer prior to being added to the group.

2. Technical correction to s. Ins 3.46 (20) (intro) and (b) to read:

Ins 3.46 (20) (intro) INCONTESTABILITY PERIOD. An insurer may rescind a long-term care insurance policy or certificate or deny an otherwise valid long-term care insurance claim only as permitted under ss. 631.11 (1) (b) and 632.76, Stats., and only if in addition addition to complying with ss. 611.11 (1)(b) and 632.76, Stats., any of the following apply:

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3. Amend newly created s. Ins 3.46 (26) (2) b. to read:

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4. Delete Section 25 from the permanent rule as it references the emergency rule.

These emergency rule changes will take effect on the date after publication, June 3, 2008, as provided in s. 227.24 (1) (c), Stats.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact John Montgomery at 264-8113. Sincerely,

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