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## **ALL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS**

Circular Letter 04-1430

## RE: Electronic Data Transmission – Discontinued Support Announcement

In Circular Letter 04–1418, dated May 10, 2004, MWCIA requested comments on a proposed plan to terminate support for IBBSNet, 3480 tape cartridges and nine track tape reels. The reasons for discontinuing to support these three means of electronic data transmission were based on:

- Compensation Data Exchange (CDX), which MWCIA is one of the founding partners, was implemented in later part of 2003.
- Continued support of IBBSNet by member companies and MWCIA costs considerable dollars and is better handled through CDX.
- 3480 tape cartridges and nine track tape reel technology is fast becoming obsolete.

Based on feedback, the MWCIA Board of Directors approved the recommendation to discontinue support for data transmission to MWCIA via IBBSNet, 3480 tape cartridges, and nine track tape reels **effective 12/31/2004**. The advent of ACCCT's Compensation Data Exchange (CDX) data transmission conduit, announced in Circular Letter No. 03-1409, provides all member companies a superior means of electronic data transmission and member companies will not incur any additional usage costs.

If you have already established an account to use CDX, please contact Marc Coleman at 952-897-6438 or by e-mailing him at <a href="marc.coleman@mwcia.org">marc.coleman@mwcia.org</a> for ACCCT CDX account activation details. If you haven't, please see Circular Letter 03-1409 for information on how to establish an account with CDX.