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RE: ITEM B-1348 Automobile Gasoline Stations & Convenience Stores

The Minnesota Department of Commerce has approved the above filing effective 12:01 a.m., January 1, 1999, applicable to new and renewal business only.

The purpose of the above filing is to eliminate Code 8061 - Grocery - Convenience - Retail and combine these store operations with Code 8006 Grocery - Retail as well as enhancing classification phraseologies, footnotes, and cross-references for Code 8380 - Gasoline Station - Retail & Drivers NOC, Code 8381 - Gasoline Station - Retail - Self Service, and Code 8006.

Currently, Minnesota has exception language for Code 8381 - Gasoline Station - Retail - Self Service which requires store receipts (other than gas receipts) to be less than 65% of the total sales at a location to qualify as a self-service gasoline station. Under the new Basic Manual definition for Code 8381, NCCI will now require store receipts (excluding lottery tickets) to be less than 10% of the total sales at a location to qualify as a self-service gasoline station. In light of the approved change to Council's language Minnesota has eliminated it's requirement of 65% in favor of National Council's new parameters for Code 8381.

The attached exhibits outline the changes required in the Basic Manual necessary to implement each proposal. Please note that the language on the attached exhibit pages contain underlined and strikethrough text. The underlining represents new or added text while the strikethroughs indicate deleted text. Special Minnesota language or exceptions have been added or amended as applicable. The National Council's original filing memorandum is also attached for your review.

Very truly yours, MINNESOTA WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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