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[Employer name]  
[Street address]  
[City, State ZIP]

BWC Policy Number: [Policy number]

Dear Employer:

As Ohio continues to move toward a prospective billing system that will be implemented on July 1, 2015, for private employers, we wanted to give you some helpful information. As you may recall in the letter sent to you in June, the deadlines for rating plans and programs have changed. As a reminder, for the policy year beginning July 1, 2015, these dates are:

- Nov. 24, 2014 – group-experience rating;
- Jan. 30, 2015 – group-retrospective rating, individual-retrospective rating, the Deductible Program and the One Claim Program;
- May 29, 2015 – Destination: Excellence programs.

Heading into 2015, don't forget to report your payroll and pay your premium for the July 1 through Dec. 31, 2014, period as normal. (Please note: we have moved the final 50/50 payment date to May 1, 2015.)

As stated in the previous letter, we will provide an eight-month transition credit to you. However, in order to receive the transition credit, your policy must be in good standing and you must submit your payroll report for the January-June payroll period. Upon completion of the payroll report, we will credit your policy with the transition credit. If your policy is in a lapsed status, you are not in good standing and must rectify this situation prior to July 1, 2015.

Coming in May 2015...

In May, you will receive a notice of estimated premium along with a certificate of coverage. This certificate will be somewhat different from your previous certificate, because it will not guarantee coverage. The only way to guarantee coverage is by paying your premium at the appropriate time. The notice of estimated premium shows you what we have calculated your premium to be based upon the most recently completed year.

We will pay your normal June prospective payment. You will receive an invoice from us for your September and October premium. This invoice will be due by Aug. 31, 2015.

Our representatives have already begun holding informational seminars across the state to educate employers on the upcoming changes. We will also be posting fact sheets, how-to videos and frequently asked questions on [www.ohio.bwc.gov](http://www.ohio.bwc.gov) as we move into 2015. If you have questions, please contact your local BWC customer service office or call 1-800-644-6292. We look forward to working with you to implement this important reform for the betterment of BWC and Ohio's economy.

Sincerely,

Stephen Buehrer  
BWC Administrator/CEO