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Dear Public Employer:

As Ohio continues to move toward a prospective billing system that will be implemented on Jan. 1, 2016, for public employers, we wanted to give you some helpful information. As you may recall in the letter sent to you in June, the deadlines for alternative-rating plans and discount programs have changed. As a reminder, for the policy year beginning Jan. 1, 2016, these dates are:

- May 29, 2015 – group-experience rating;
- July 31, 2015 – group-retrospective rating, individual-retrospective rating, the Deductible Program and the One Claim Program;
- Nov. 30, 2015 – Destination: Excellence programs.

In 2015, please note you will continue paying your retrospective premium by May 15 and Sept. 1 as usual for the 2014 policy year. **The only thing that changes for you in 2015 is the enrollment deadlines mentioned above for the upcoming 2016 policy year.**

Heading into 2016, we will provide a 12-month transition credit to you. We will spread this transition credit across your premium for the 2015 and 2016 policy years, allowing you to transition to the prospective billing system in 2016 by only paying the equivalent of one year's premium. We will do this by providing a 50-percent transition credit to your policy year 2015 payroll report and 2016 premium invoice due.

Our representatives have begun speaking throughout Ohio informing employers about the upcoming changes. We will also post fact sheets, how-to videos and frequently asked questions on www.bwc.ohio.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