

## **Illinois Department of Insurance**

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TO: ALL LICENSED PROPERTY & CASUALTY INSURERS IN ILLINOIS

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**AUTHORIZED FILERS** 

FROM: ANDREW R. STOLFI, ACTING DIRECTOR OF INSURANCE #\$

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RE: BULLETIN #2011-14

MANDATORY SUBMISSION OF PROPERTY AND CASUALTY FORM

AND RATE/RULE FILINGS VIA NAIC/SERFF

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As amended by P.A. 97-486, Section 143(2) of the Illinois Insurance Code (Code) requires that every company transacting the kinds of business enumerated in Classes 2 (except Class 2a) and 3 of Section 4 file with the Director all policy forms, and any generally used riders, endorsements, certificates, application blanks, and other matter incorporated by reference in any such policy or contract of insurance, either through the NAIC's System for Electronic Rate and Form Filing (SERFF) or as otherwise prescribed by the Director. The vast majority of property and casualty insurers already submit their insurance policy form filings to the Department using SERFF, and it has been the experience of the Department that the standardized SERFF system facilitates and expedites the policy form review process through its user-friendly interface and improved communication and storage capabilities. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 143(2) of the Code, effective January 1, 2012, all property and casualty form and rate/rule filings and their related manuals shall be submitted to the Department electronically using SERFF.

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