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Bulletin to All Private Passenger Automobile Insurers

Approval of 2017 CLEAR Rate Group Tables

The Automobile Insurance Rate Board (AIRB) is issuing this Bulletin to advise all private passenger automobile insurers operating in Alberta that on January 18, 2017, the Board approved the 2017 CLEAR rate group tables for use in Alberta.

Background:

On July 1, 2014, the *Automobile Insurance Premiums Regulations* came into effect. The Board's mandate was expanded to regulate both basic and additional coverage. As most private passenger automobile insurers adopt CLEAR rate group tables published by the Insurance Bureau of Canada (IBC) to price accident benefits and additional coverage, the Board has decided to review and approve each version of the CLEAR tables beginning with the 2015 CLEAR tables.

The Process:

The Board's filing guidelines require that "[an] insurer that adopts CLEAR tables to set rate groups is required to adopt the latest AIRB approved CLEAR tables in its mandatory three year filing".

The type of filing required to adopt the 2017 CLEAR rate group tables depends on whether the combined changes being proposed meet the requirements for a simplified filing or not.

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