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MEMORANDUM TO: Write Your Own (WYO) Principal Coordinators  
National Flood Insurance Program Servicing Agent

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SUBJECT: State Actions Taken to Implement Flood Insurance Training  
Requirements of the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004  
(FIRA) Section 207

The State Departments of Insurance are taking various actions to establish training requirements for insurance agents who sell flood insurance, as outlined in Section 207 of the FIRA (Public Law 108-264). To assist the Write Your Own (WYO) Companies and their agents, FEMA created a database to record the initiatives the States are taking to implement the FIRA flood insurance training requirements.

I am requesting that you and your agents review this information on FEMA's website [http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip/state\\_actions.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip/state_actions.shtm). The material is a representation of documents published by various States. If you would like copies of the actual documents, please contact the State Department of Insurance that prepared the material.

I am also requesting your assistance to ensure all information contained in the database is current. As you become aware of additional State actions related to flood insurance training, please notify FEMA so this information can be recorded in the database. Please send the information by electronic mail to Harriette Kinberg, Chief, Industry and Public Relations Section, at [Harriette.Kinberg@dhs.gov](mailto:Harriette.Kinberg@dhs.gov).

Based on the information you provided to FEMA in 2005, I believe that most of the WYO Companies have already established a strategy to meet their agents' needs for basic and advanced flood insurance training. I appreciate the WYO Companies' efforts and training strategies that exceeded the minimum requirements of FIRA.

Thank you for your cooperation.

cc: Vendors, IBHS, FIPNC, Government Technical Representative  
Suggested Routing: Marketing, Training