MEMORANDUM TO: Write Your Own (WYO) Principal Coordinators and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Servicing Agent, and Selected Adjusting Firms

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SUBJECT: Notice of Extension for Sending Proofs of Loss in the State of North Dakota (Souris River), with Dates of Loss on May 31, 2011, and continuing until an end date is determined

In the attached WYO Clearinghouse Bulletin, W-11050, dated July 20, 2011, I authorized for the NFIP policyholders affected by the June 1, 2011, flooding in the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri an additional 60-day extension of the Standard Flood Insurance Policy (SFIP) 60-day deadline for sending a signed and sworn proof of loss to the insurer.

The Standard Flood Insurance Policy (SFIP) issued under the NFIP provides a period of sixty (60) days from the date of loss within which the policyholder must send the Insurer a signed and sworn-to proof of loss, which is the policyholder’s detailed statement of the claim. These provisions are set forth in the SFIP in Article VII. General Conditions, Paragraph J.4 of the Dwelling Form and the General Property Form and in Article VIII. General Conditions, Paragraph J.4 of the Residential Condominium Building Association Policy Form.

Due to the recent flooding along the Souris River in North Dakota, an additional 60-day extension of the 60-day period within which a proof of loss must be sent to the Insurer has been granted. Therefore, by means of this memorandum, I am authorizing this 60-day extension. This extension shall apply to all eligible flood claims in the following four counties: Renville, Ward (Minot), McHenry, and Bottineau starting on May 30, 2011, continuing until an end date is determined. This extension is applicable whether the SFIP was issued directly by the NFIP Direct Servicing Agent or through one of the private insurance companies issuing flood insurance policies and participating in the NFIP’s WYO Program. For example, the NFIP policyholder who incurred an eligible flood loss on May 30, 2011, would normally have until July 29, 2011, to submit the proof of loss. With the extended deadline, the same policyholder now has until September 27, 2011, to submit the proof of loss.
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loss. This extension will apply only to policyholders with current Standard Flood Insurance Policies with an effective date prior to May 30, 2011.

The extension of the time within which proofs of loss must be submitted is made pursuant to the SFIP provisions dealing with amendments, waivers, and assignment (Article VII. General Conditions, Paragraph D. of the Dwelling Form and the General Property Form, and Article VIII. General Conditions, Paragraph D. of the Residential Condominium Building Association Policy Form).

While all other terms and conditions of the SFIP remain in effect, it is hoped that the extension of time for filing proofs of loss by an additional sixty (60) days will give affected policyholders ample opportunity to send their Proof of Loss to their insurer. This extension will be closely monitored by FEMA to determine whether or not a further extension might be warranted.

We ask for your full support. Any questions or comments regarding this extension should be directed to James A. Sadler, CPCU, AIC, Director of Claims, National Flood Insurance Program. Mr. Sadler may be reached by email at James.Sadler@dhs.gov.

cc: Vendors, IBHS, FIPNC, Government Technical Representative

Required Routing: Claims, Underwriting
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The Standard Flood Insurance Policy (SFIP) issued under the NFIP provides a period of sixty (60) days from the date of loss within which the policyholder must send the Insurer a signed and sworn proof of loss, which is the policyholder’s detailed statement of the claim. These provisions are set forth in the SFIP in Article VII. General Conditions, Paragraph J.4 of the Dwelling Form and the General Property Form and in Article VIII. General Conditions, Paragraph J.4 of the Residential Condominium Building Association Policy Form.

Due to recent flooding along the Missouri River in North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri, an extension of the 60-day period within which a proof of loss must be submitted to the Insurer has been granted. Therefore, by means of this memorandum, I am authorizing the extension of this period an additional sixty (60) days. This extension shall apply to all claims for flood-insured buildings in North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri by flooding starting on June 1, 2011, continuing until an end date is determined whether the SFIP was issued directly by the NFIP Servicing Agent or through one of the private insurance companies issuing flood insurance coverage under the WYO Program. For example, the NFIP policyholder who incurred a flood loss on June 1, 2011, would normally have until July 31, 2011, to submit the proof of loss. With the extended deadline, the same policyholder now has until September 29, 2011, to submit the proof of loss. This extension will only apply to policyholders with a current Standard Flood Insurance Policies with an effective date prior to June 1, 2011.

The extension of the time within which proofs of loss must be submitted is made pursuant to the SFIP provisions dealing with amendments, waivers, and assignment (Article VII. General Conditions,
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Paragraph D. of the Dwelling Form and the General Property Form, and Article VIII. General Conditions, Paragraph D. of the Residential Condominium Building Association Policy Form).

While all other terms and conditions of the SFIP remain in effect, it is hoped that the extension of time for filing proofs of loss by an additional sixth (60) days will give affected policyholders ample opportunity to present their statement of claim. This extension will be closely monitored by FEMA to determine whether or not a further extension might be warranted.

We ask for your full support. Any questions or comments regarding this extension should be directed to James A. Sadler, CPCU, AIC, Director of Claims, National Flood Insurance Program. Mr. Sadler may be reached by email at James.Sadler@dhs.gov.

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