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MEMO

TO: All Building Officials in Miami Dade County

FROM: Herminio F. Gonzalez, P.E. 
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DATE: December 03, 2004

SUBJECT: Change in FS440 Worker's Compensation Law
Regarding Insurance Notification Requirement

Please be advised there has been a recent change in the workman's compensation law regarding the requirement for a certificate of worker's compensation to be presented prior to a building permit being issued.

FS440.103 Building permits; identification of minimum premium policy.--Every employer shall, as a condition to applying for and receiving a building permit, show proof and certify to the permit issuer that it has secured compensation for its employees under this chapter as provided in ss. 440.10 and 440.38. Such proof of compensation must be evidenced by a certificate of coverage issued by the carrier, a valid exemption certificate approved by the department, or a copy of the employer's authority to self-insure and **shall be presented each time the employer applies for a building permit**. As provided in s. 627.413(5), each certificate of coverage must show, on its face, whether or not coverage is secured under the minimum premium provisions of rules adopted by rating organizations licensed pursuant to s. 627.221. The words "minimum premium policy" or equivalent language shall be typed, printed, stamped, or legibly handwritten.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Division of Worker's Compensation at 305-536-0302 or Mr. Daniel Vuelta, Contractor Investigation Section Supervisor at 305-375-5891.