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GENERAL CIRCULAR LETTER 461 – June 14, 2004

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE BUREAU

**SPECIAL ATTENTION: UNIT STAT PERSONNEL**

RE: Industry Release of Desktop BEEP 3.0

As a member of the American Cooperative Council on Compensation Technology (ACCCT), the Bureau is pleased to announce the addition of the Desktop version of BEEP (Bureau Entry & Editing Program) 3.0 to the family of ACCCT products. ACCCT is an industry group that facilitates cooperative development of products related to worker's compensation insurance.

This version of BEEP is now available through the ACCCT Web site at [www.accct.org](http://www.accct.org).

The attached announcement provides information about the updated BEEP 3.0 release and outlines some of the functions. It also provides the WCRB contact information. The contacts will be able to answer your questions and assist you in getting started.

We are confident that Desktop BEEP 3.0 will be a very welcome and beneficial service to all members. Please distribute this circular and announcements to the appropriate staff.

After you have an opportunity to review the attached announcement, please contact us if you have any questions.



## **ACCCT ANNOUNCES BEEP 3.0 UPDATE TO DESKTOP BEEP**

**June 10, 2004**

ACCCT is pleased to announce the release of Desktop BEEP 3.0, a Bureau Entry and Edit Package that allows for entry and edit of unit statistical reports. Complete documentation and instructions for using Desktop BEEP 3.0 are found in the User Guide and the User Guide Addendum available through the ACCCT Web site at [www.accct.org](http://www.accct.org).

NOTE: This announcement is intended for customers using the desktop version of BEEP. It does not impact those using the Web-Based BEEP 1.0. As a reminder, while Desktop BEEP 3.0 is distributed via the ACCCT Web site, it should not be confused with the Web-Based BEEP 1.0, which was previously announced.

The 3.0 release of Desktop BEEP includes enhancements and improvements to the software. Some of the more notable are:

- Improved "Copy" function
- Improved "Calculate" function
- Enhanced State Specific Edits
- Updated State Specific Statistical/Classification Code Tables
- Updated Part/Nature/Cause Code tables

Instructions for downloading Desktop BEEP 3.0 are provided on the ACCCT Web site.

We encourage you to use Web-Based BEEP 1.0, but we continue to be sensitive to the fact that some of our customers may not be prepared to move to that product at this time. If you are interested in reviewing the Web-Based BEEP 1.0 product please visit <https://www.accct.org/beep/help.pdf>. This is the link to the Web-Based BEEP 1.0 User Guide, which will provide additional information about this product. You will also find contact information for each of the ACCCT participants on the Web site, so if you have questions please contact the appropriate representative(s).

There are known differences between Desktop and Web-Based BEEP. Data providers should be mindful of these differences and choose the BEEP application that conforms to their individual business needs and practices.

**IMPORTANT NOTE FOR USERS IMPORTING WCSTAT FILES INTO DESKTOP BEEP 3.0:** In Desktop BEEP 3.0, imported unit reports are validated differently than manually entered unit reports, therefore validation results may differ. Desktop BEEP 3.0 was not designed to provide robust editing of imported files from carrier systems, due to the high potential for affecting the performance. If it is your desire to use Desktop BEEP 3.0 to edit carrier system generated WCSTAT files, we encourage you to utilize the Web-Based BEEP 1.0 product.

ACCCT looks forward to continuing to provide quality products to assist the Workers Compensation community in the area of electronic data exchange.

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