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To the CEO's of all Life and General Insurers

Sub: Submission of database of cases

The IRDA (Protection of Policyholders' Interests) Regulations, 2002 require all insurers to have in place proper procedures and effective mechanism to address the complaints and grievances of the policyholders efficiently and with speed.

There are however, reports of the claims of the policyholders being repudiated resulting in them being forced to challenge the same as also reports of the insurance companies refusing to honour the awards passed by the Ombudsmen.

The Authority is thus keen to review the grievance redressal mechanism of all insurers. Consequently, all insurers are advised to submit the information relating to all the cases filed against them by the policyholders in the various consumer courts (viz., District/State/NCDRC) in the country challenging such repudiation of the claims as also the details of the cases filed by the insurers challenging the awards passed by the Ombudsmen in the different courts.

The information relating to the same shall be provided from January 2009 onwards, in the enclosed format (Annexure-I) and thereafter on a quarterly basis.

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ANNEXURE I

CASES FILED BY THE INSURED (POLICYHOLDERS):

Name of the Insurance Company							
List of cases filed before the various District Forums (State-wise)							
SNo.	Case No. &	Name of the	Grounds of	Status as on			
	Case Title	Court	Repudiation	date			
Total pending			Total closed				

List of cases filed before the various State Commissions (State-wise)				
SNo.	Case No. & Case Title	Name of the Court	Grounds of Repudiation	Status as on date
То	tal pending		Total closed	

List of cases filed before the NCDRC, Delhi						
SNo.	Case No. & Case Title	Grounds of Repudiation	Status as on date			
1	otal pending	Total closed	<u> </u>			

CASES FILED BY THE INSURERS AGAINST THE AWARDS OF THE OMBUDSMEN

	Name of the Insurance Company					
List of cases filed before various courts (court-wise)						
SNo. Case No. & Case Title		Brief facts / grounds of the case	Status as on date			
Т	otal pending	Total closed				