

POLICY COMMITTEE TIME LINES December 17, 2008

The Policy Committee provides the following information to assist the community in understanding the status of policies in development for the 2009 production year. The charts below indicate policy proposals in progress and policy proposals approved after April 17, 2008, the last date on which the Board approved policies for inclusion in the 2008 version of the *Common Manual*. The Policy Committee hopes this monthly update will assist you in understanding the stages of policy proposal development.

Policy Proposals in Progress

The following tables describe the current status of policy proposals that are about to be distributed for comment, have been distributed for comment, and those that are scheduled to be considered at an upcoming Governing Board meeting.

| Batch Number | Policy Proposals Included | Date Distributed for Comment | Date Comments Due | Date to Submit to Governing Board | Proposed Governing Board Consideration |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 154 | 6 | October 10 | October 31 | December 11 | December 18 |
| 155 | 7 | November 7 | December 1 | January 8, 2009 | January 15, 2009 |
| 156 | 11 | December 5 | December 29 | December 29 February 12, 2009 | |
| 157 | 12-15 | January 9, 2009 | January 30, 2009 | March 12, 2009 | March 19, 2009 |

Policies Approved, Bulletins Issued

The following chart represents policy changes approved by the Governing Board after April 17, 2008, the cut-off for the last manual update to the ECM and paper-copy update of the manual. These changes will appear in the July 2009 printed and CD versions of the *Common Manual*. They will also be incorporated into the Integrated *Common Manual* updates that are posted on the *Common Manual* website each month. Common Bulletin Language has been or will be distributed for all of the new policies, as listed below.

| Batch Number | Policy Proposal Reference Number(s) | Approved by the Governing Board | Common Bulletin Distribution |
|--------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 150* | 1041 | August 21 | September 3 |
| 151 | 1050 - 1059 | September 18 | September 29 |
| 152 | 1060 - 1062 | October 16 | October 27 |
| 153** | 991, 997, 1055, and 1063-1066 | November 20 | December 2 |

^{*}Policy proposal 1041 was originally distributed for community comment in February, 2008, deferred by the Committee for additional research, and redistributed in Batch 150. The remainder of Batch 150 was approved by the Governing Board in April, 2008, and is included in the July 2008 Common Manual update.

If you have questions about the Policy Committee's activities, please contact Committee Chair Susan Fields at 217-524-7931, or by email at sfields@isac.org.

^{**}Policy proposals 991 and 997 were previously distributed in Batches 146 and 149. Policy proposal 1055 was previously distributed in Batch 151.