

IMPORTANT UPDATE – January 18, 2007

As you are aware, over the past few weeks the Oklahoma Insurance Department has been unable to receive data from NIPR through their online application and renewal process. These records were created by members of the insurance industry and input to NIPR, beginning December 4th, 2006 to present day for transactions involving new licenses, renewals and appointments. This has resulted in records being pended within the NIPR system instead of being transmitted to the Department, causing delays in the licensing process.

In order to expedite processing of these transactions, the Oklahoma Insurance Department is posting a current effective date to each record versus the requested effective date made at the time of transaction with NIPR. We recognize that these altered effective dates may cause it to appear that a company's appointment process is non-compliant with regulatory requirements. Please be assured that all records will be duly noted as altered by the Department and will not reflect negatively upon companies at the time of examination.

Additionally, please know that we continue to be aggressive and relentless in our persistence of a permanent resolution to this problem and apologize to those inconvenienced by the NIPR system. Please feel free to contact me personally by phone or email if you have any questions or concerns.

Please check back with us for continued updates on this issue.