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Subject: Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance: The New FEGLI Handbook

The purpose of this letter is to announce the revision of the FEGLI Handbook and its availability on CD ROM.

The FEGLI Handbook (RI 76-26) content was last issued in 1993. The Handbook contains complete and detailed information on the FEGLI Program, including the information agency personnel and payroll offices need to carry out their responsibilities under the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program.

The Handbook is available for viewing and downloading on our web site (www.opm.gov/insure/life). It will also be available on CD. *There will be no printed version of the Handbook.* (Please note that the FEGLI Handbook and the FEGLI Booklet are two different documents. The Booklet (RI 76-21) is the brochure given to new and newly eligible employees to familiarize them with the FEGLI Program. It also has recently been revised and is available on our web site and in hard copy; instructions for obtaining it were given in BAL 98-204.)

THE FEGLI HANDBOOK ON CD

The **FEGLI Handbook on CD** contains the same information as the Internet version. The CD contains all text, tables, and charts.

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The cost for the **FEGLI Handbook on CD** is \$75. We plan to begin shipping the CD in August.

Complete ordering information for the **FEGLI Handbook on CD** is included on the attached order form.



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