## NOTIFICATION OF FIRST LIFETIME INCOME BENEFIT PAYMENT

[CITY, STATE, ZIP]
RE: DATE OF INJURY] [NATURE OF INJURY] [PART OF BODY INJURED] [EMPLOYEE SSN] [CLAIM #] [CARRIER NAME/TPA NAME] [CARRIER CLAIM#] [EMPLOYER NAME] [EMPLOYER ADDRESS]
Your first payment of workers' compensation benefits for the period of (***first day of period being paid***) is being issued. The benefit payment is called "Lifetime Income Benefits" ( <b>LIBs</b> ) and is paid weekly. The amount of your LIBs payment is based on 75% of the reported Average Weekly Wage of (***\$\$\\$***). Each year on (***accrual anniversary date***) the LIBs weekly benefit amount will increase by 3%.
You may request that we make benefit payments by electronic funds transfer directly to your bank account. Also, you may request that we change your LIBs from a weekly payment to a monthly payment.
Explanatory Comments: (free text for explanatory comments)
If you do not agree with the amount of weekly income benefits being paid, please contact me:
Adjuster's Name: Toll Free Telephone #: Fax #/E-mail Address:
If we are unable to resolve the issue to your satisfaction, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation for further assistance. You have the right to request a Benefit Review Conference. You can contact the Division office handling your claim at 1-800-252-7031.
If you would like to receive notices such as this by facsimile or e-mail, please contact me and provide your facsimile numb or e-mail address.
Please note that making a false or fraudulent workers' compensation claim is a crime that may result in fines and/o imprisonment.



Cc:

**DATE:** 

[NAME OF INJURED EMPLOYEE]

TO:

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Notification of First Lifetime Income Benefit Payment (DWC FORM PLN-2, PLN-4 and PLN-5,), Rule 124.2(e)(1) and (f):\_(MTC: IP)

This is the Notification of First Payment letter for benefit type 020 (**LIBs**). This letter is only to be used to report the <u>first</u> indemnity benefit payment made on a claim. Only one notice of initial payment may be sent on a claim but the initial payment benefit type may be TIBs, IIBs, LIBs or DBs. This notice should only be used to report to the injured employee/representative the payment of LIBs when the payment is the initial payment of indemnity benefits on a claim.

- 1. Provide the date Lifetime Income Benefits began to accrue.
- 2. Provide the Average Weekly Wage that income benefits are based on.

DO NOT SEND THIS LETTER TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

