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SC Workers' Compensation Commission

# SCWCC LAPSE IN INSURANCE NOTIFCATION

**USER GUIDE** 

The SCWCC Verification of Coverage web portal has been expanded to allow users the ability to register for notification of policies that are canceled mid-term.

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# SCWCC Coverage Lookup and Lapse in Insurance Notification

### Introduction

The South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission is proud to offer the ability to register and receive notification of policies that have been canceled mid-term based on a search of the NCCI database via the SCWCC Verification of Coverage link on the <a href="www.wcc.sc.gov">www.wcc.sc.gov</a> website. This service has been developed in cooperation with Frank B. Norris and Company and the South Carolina Home Builders Association (SCHBA).

Problem as stated by SCHBA: Title 42 of the South Carolina Code of Laws holds General Contractors (GC's) and Residential Home Builders responsible for occupational injuries or death sustained by un-insured subcontractors and their employees while performing work on behalf of the building contractor. Many contractors require their subcontractors to procure a policy of Workers' Compensation coverage to protect both the contractor and the subcontractor's employees. An active contractor may employ the services of many subcontractors which imposes a significant burden upon the contractors to ensure that each Certificate of Insurance provided is current, correct and valid. A system that electronically generates a notice of cancellation of a subcontractor's coverage and transmit that data to all Certificate holders will greatly reduce the burden upon contractors, improve the likelihood that all parties comply with the workers' compensation laws and reduce incidents of fraud.

Interested Parties: Parties interested in the solution proposed by the SC Home Builder's Association are residential and commercial general contractors, subcontractors, and their employees; Workers' Compensation insurance providers; property & casualty insurance agents; landscapers, other industries that use subcontractors; the South Carolina Uninsured Employer Fund; agencies responsible for enforcement of insurance fraud laws; and the citizens of South Carolina whose tax dollars support law enforcement efforts, and who pay higher premiums when costs of fraud are passed through to consumers.

Disclaimer: Pursuant to SC Code of Laws 42-1-400; 42-1-410, a general contractor is considered liable for Workers' Compensation injuries/costs incurred by an uninsured subcontractor.

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Verification of pre-mature policy cancellation is the responsibility of the notification recipient

## **Registration for Mid-Term Cancellation Notification**

To register an email address to receive notices of mid-term cancellations of workers' compensation insurance policies follow the steps provided below.

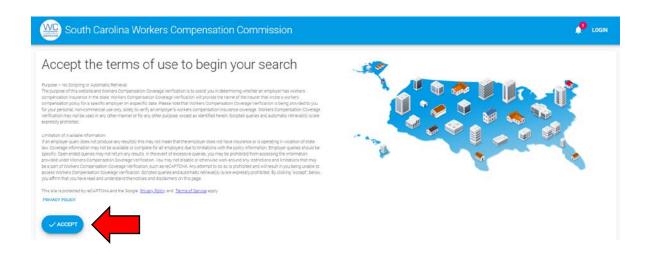
1. From the SCWCC website (<u>www.wcc.sc.gov</u>), select the **Verification of Coverage** link from the top of the home page.



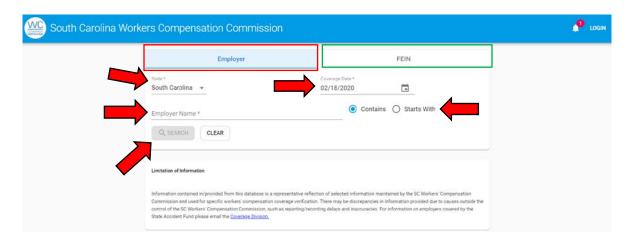
When the next screen appears as shown below, CLICK the Verify Coverage link.



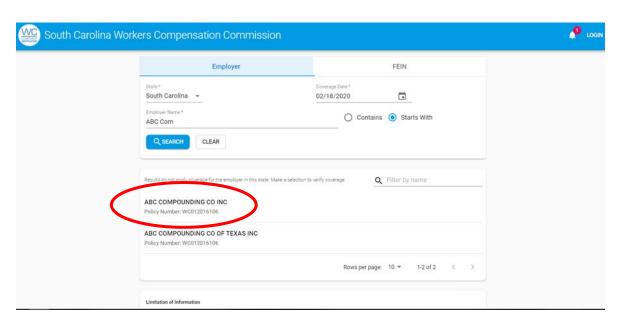
2. Read the Notice and Disclaimer and then CLICK the "ACCEPT" button.



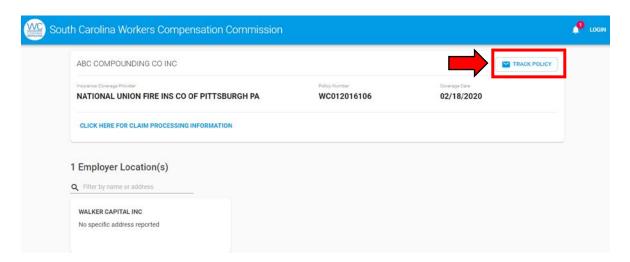
3. Enter your search criteria for the Employer in question. a) The State should default to South Carolina, but if not please choose South Carolina from the drop down box; b) Date entered should be the Date of Injury or can be the current day's date; c) You can search by Employer name or Employer FEIN; d) If searching by Employer name, select either Employer name "Contains" or Employer name "Starts With." Click SEARCH. Search results will display on next screen.



4. When the search results appear, CLICK on the desired EMPLOYER and POLICY NUMBER for policy details.

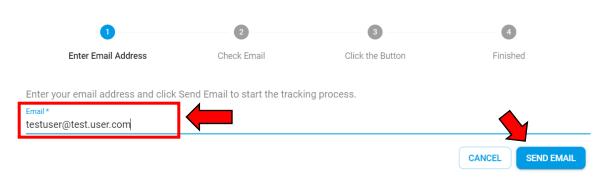


5. CLICK the "TRACK POLICY" button at the top right of the page.



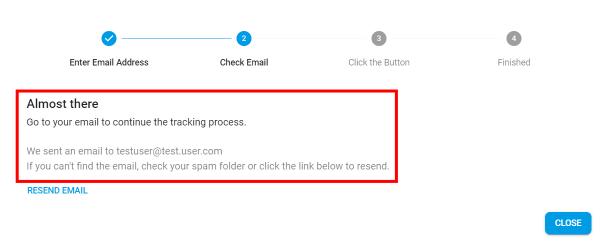
6. The following screen will pop up. Enter your email address and then click the "SEND EMAIL" button.

## Track policy by email



7. After clicking "SEND EMAIL," the following message will appear. Simply follow the remaining instructions to track the policy.

## Track policy by email



8. You will receive an email as confirmation of the registration with instructions to complete the TRACK POLICY process.



Click on the Track Policy button to complete the login process.

## **Subscription Info**

Employer Name: ABC COMPOUNDING CO INC

State: SOUTH CAROLINA

Policy Number: WC012016106

Coverage Search Date: 02/18/2020

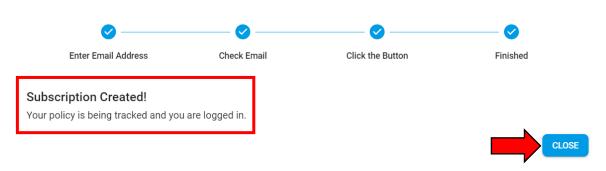


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9. Once you CLICK "TRACK POLICY," you will receive notification that the policy is being tracked. You can then close the window.

Track policy by email



If you do not receive a confirmation within a few minutes check your junk and or spam email box. If the email is found there, you follow your service provider's directions for saving the email as a trusted sender.

If you don't receive an email, you may have entered an incorrect email address. Please try again or contact coverage@wcc.sc.gov.

## **Notification of Mid-Term Cancellation and Policy Changes**

SCWCC receives insurance policy updates from NCCI daily. The data received is matched against the registration list. An automated email will be sent to the registered email address if a change to the tracked policy is received. The registration for notification automatically expires when the policy term has ended. If you wish to follow the new policy, it will be necessary to register the new policy.

A couple of samples of the automated email notifications of a policy change are shown on the next two following pages:



## **Workers Compensation Coverage Verification**

## A policy you are tracking has been cancelled!



## **Subscription Info**

Employer Name: VIIII STILL SETTEMENT SET

State: SOUTH CAROLINA

Policy Number: WeV9179169

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Date:

02/21/2020

Policy Status: Cancelled

Cancellation Date: 04/09/2020

Cancellations and Reinstatements are reported at the policy level. The information contained in this email is based on the Coverage Search Date and Employer Name entered by the Subscriber when they chose to use the Track Policy feature. NCCI is not responsible for any input errors of the Subscriber. Your subscription to this service will automatically expire when the policy term for the employer name you inputted has ended. If the policy has been Reinstated the Employer Name displayed above may or may not be covered on the policy at this time. To see if the Employer Name searched on remains covered on the Policy, please click on the link below and search on the Employer Name.



## **Workers Compensation Coverage Verification**

## A policy you are tracking has been reinstated!



**Subscription Info** 

Employer Name:

State: SOUTH CAROLINA

Policy Number: WCV6178162
Coverage Search 02/21/2020

Date:

Policy Status: Reinstated
Reinstatement Date: 04/09/2020

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## FAQ's

#### What happens if I change my email address?

The notification of mid-term cancellation will be sent to the email address you registered. If your email address changes it will be necessary to re-register with the new email address.

#### What happens to my registration for a policy if there is a mid-term cancellation?

Your registration for notification automatically expires when the term of the policy for which you are tracking has ended. If you wish to track the new policy, you will need register to track the new policy.

#### I am having a problem registering?

Please direct any questions or problems to the SCWCC Compliance Division, 803.737.6203 or coverage@wcc.sc.gov.

#### I think a policy has been canceled, but I didn't receive an email?

Several reasons can cause this to happen

- 1. Your email that you registered with was incorrect.
- 2. You never registered for tracking that policy.
- 3. NCCI's POC transaction was not processed by SCWCC

If any of these problems occur, please contact SCWCC Compliance Division, 803.737.6203 or <a href="mailto:coverage@wcc.sc.gov">coverage@wcc.sc.gov</a>.

### Is the SCWCC certain that the information provided through the notification system is correct?

No - Disclaimer: Pursuant to SC Code of Laws 42-1-400; 42-1-410, a general contractor is considered liable for Workers' Compensation injuries/costs incurred by an uninsured subcontractor.

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#### How to prevent notification emails from going to my junk folder?

We recommend you add <a href="mailto:coverage@wcc.sc.gov">coverage@wcc.sc.gov</a> as a safe sender or set up a rule in your email to deliver the messages to your inbox.

#### How can I get a listing of all the policies that I am tracking?

Once the user clicks the Track Policy button in the verification email, they will be logged in and the policy they selected will be tracked.



Click on the Track Policy button to complete the login process.

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State: SOUTH CAROLINA
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Track Policy

Clicking the button opens **WCCV** in a new tab/window and brings the user to the **My Subscriptions** page with the last step completed in the process. Once the user is logged in, the user can see all the policies they are currently tracking.