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**2017 dividend declared for ChamberChoice business insurance program**

Chambers of Commerce Service Corporation (CCSC) is pleased to announce that Penn National Insurance has declared an 8% dividend for the ChamberChoice Business Insurance program's sixth year, May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016.

Members, who placed their insurance coverage with Penn National Insurance during the 2015/2016 program year and remained active chamber members and policyholders through the end of the program year, will receive a dividend check during the month of June. This year's dividend totaled over \$2.3 million. Since the program's inception, total dividends returned to business communities throughout Pennsylvania exceed \$6 million; an average of 6.8% over the past four years.

The ChamberChoice Business Insurance program is just one of many benefits of that CCSC offers its member Chambers. The partnership between Penn National Insurance and CCSC was designed to provide a value-added membership benefit that would help Chambers attract and retain members.

An important aspect of this group insurance program is preventing loss and controlling claims costs. Because dividends are based on the group's collective loss experience, a business that may have had a significant loss may still be eligible to receive a dividend.

The program is sold exclusively through local, independent agents who can offer chamber members a variety of coverages and pricing on property and casualty insurance, including businessowners, commercial auto, property, general liability, inland marine and workers' compensation. Dividends are paid on all of these coverages. In addition, through safety consulting, Penn National Insurance and local independent insurance agencies encourage member businesses to develop safety practices to substantially reduce or eliminate workplace injuries.

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