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TO: County Assessors and Vendors

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RE: Verified Economic Modifier Change

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The Department of Local Government Finance (“Department”) utilizes cost data provided by Craftsman. This data reflects national market conditions and therefore Craftsman recommends that any estimates be adjusted to consider local market conditions. The Department does this by first adjusting the cost data to reflect the market value-in-use of improvements through a Verified Economic Modifier (VEM) calculated from available data on the central Indiana market. Second, a Location Cost Multiplier (LCM) was derived from Craftsman cost data for each of the 92 Indiana counties to further refine the data. The LCM for each county reflects the costs of construction and labor in the county compared to Marion County.

The Department is releasing this memorandum to inform County Assessors that a new VEM has been released by the Department to the certified CAMA vendors in the State of Indiana. Assessing officials should take care to make necessary adjustments to ensure assessed values continue to reflect market value-in-use as a result of this change.

Questions or comments may be directed to Assessment Division Director Barry Wood at (317) 232-2762 or Bwood@dlgf.in.gov.