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Dear Washington Business Owner:

As Governor, I want businesses around the world to know that the welcome mat is out to join the Washington team and be a part of our economy.

We are getting that message out with a six-month rate holiday in a portion of your workers' compensation premiums. Over the next six months, you and other Washington employers and your workers will save \$315 million in workers' compensation premiums. We're going to keep more money in the pockets of business owners and our workers.

This is the kind of economic incentive we need to keep our robust economy growing and to maintain our position in the global economy. We cannot succeed in the Next Washington without doing everything possible to support the businesses already here and to attract new employers who offer good, family-wage jobs.

I am committed to working with you to move Washington forward. This partial rate holiday over the next six months is one more way we are letting the world know that Washington is open for business.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Gregoire".

Chris Gregoire  
Governor

