CHAPTER 11 ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (EDI)

876—11.1(85,86) Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to establish the procedure for fulfilling reporting requirements of the division of workers' compensation.

876—11.2(85,86) **Definitions.** The following definitions apply to this chapter.

"EDI" means electronic transmission or reception, or both, of data through a telecommunications process utilizing a value-added network or the Internet as set forth in the EDI partnering agreement.

"EDI partnering agreement" means the written agreement between an entity and the division of workers' compensation specifying the terms and manner of reporting by EDI.

"Implementation plan" means the written document prepared by a reporter specifying a timetable for reporting by EDI.

"Report" means a first report of injury or a subsequent claim activity report, or both.

"Reporter" means the person who is responsible for reporting to the division of workers' compensation pursuant to the Iowa workers' compensation laws and includes an employer, an employer who has been relieved from insurance pursuant to Iowa Code section 87.11, and an insurance carrier which provides an employer workers' compensation insurance.

"Reporting" means submission of claims data and data fields of information of a report.

876—11.3(85,86) Form of reporting. The format of EDI reporting must be the current version of the International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions Release 2 FROI/SROI. A licensing agreement for use of the current version of the International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions Release 2 FROI/SROI may be purchased from the International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions, 1201 Wakarusa Drive, C-3, Lawrence, KS 66049; telephone (785)840-9103; www.iaiabc.org; E-mail workcomp@iaiabc.org.

876—11.4(85,86) Manner of reporting. The manner of EDI reporting is electronic.

876—11.5(85,86) Voluntary reporting deadline. All reporters must either sign an EDI partnering agreement or submit an implementation plan by December 1, 1999. The division of workers' compensation must approve implementation plans.

The implementation plans must be approved before January 1, 2000.

876—11.6(85,86) Mandatory reporting deadline. All reporters must sign a partnering agreement and begin reporting by EDI no later than July 1, 2001. Reporting by any means other than EDI after July 1, 2001, will not be acceptable. Reporters are responsible for reporting by EDI. A reporter may contract with another entity for reporting but the reporter is ultimately responsible for reporting. Any entity reporting on behalf of a reporter must also sign an EDI partnering agreement.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 85.26, 86.8, 86.11 and 86.13. [Filed 9/4/98, Notice 7/29/98—published 9/23/98, effective 10/28/98]