



CAT Alert #2: Thursday, August 25, 2011

## **Crawford & Company Adjusters are Ready as Hurricane Irene Stays on Track to Move up the U.S. East Coast**

A dangerous Hurricane Irene is currently battering the northwestern Bahamas as a Category 3 storm. A turn toward the north-northwest is expected later today, followed by a turn toward the north by early Friday. As of 11:00 a.m. (EDT) Thursday, the U.S. National Hurricane Center reports that Irene's maximum sustained winds have remained a constant 115 mph (185 km/h) and will likely remain a Category 3 storm as it heads toward the eastern and northeastern U.S. coast over the weekend. Hurricane and tropical storm watches are now in effect for parts of the Carolinas.

Current forecasts predict that after Irene skirts the North Carolina coast late Saturday, it will move north over the mid Atlantic coast and into New England overnight Sunday into Monday morning. Currently, hurricane-force winds extend outward up to 70 miles (110 km) from the storm center and tropical storm-force winds extend outward up to 255 miles (410 km).

Crawford & Company has stationed adjusters near the areas that will likely be affected and additional adjusters are on standby to handle claims generated by Hurricane Irene. You can count on Crawford to handle your storm losses or back-fill any staff that may be mobilized as a result of this event.

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