



## **Mortgage Insurance to 95% LTV Available for Some Distressed Markets – Effective June 1, 2008**

PMI continues to support your ability to facilitate sustainable homeownership for qualified borrowers. Based on our continuing analysis of the performance of real estate markets around the nation, we have modified our PMI Distressed Markets Policy and PMI Distressed Markets List to expand to two levels.

- Level 1 was developed for those areas where we anticipate the downturn to be less severe based on underlying fundamentals that include unemployment trends, home price volatility, and other factors.
- Level 2 applies to those areas that are projected to continue to experience more significant economic and/or housing downturns, and are expected to take longer to improve.

**Effective June 1, 2008**, properties located in areas classified as Level 1 will be eligible for mortgage insurance up to 95% LTV. Properties located in areas designated as Level 2 will continue to be eligible for mortgage insurance up to 90% LTV.

Please click [here](#) to view the updated PMI Distressed Markets Policy, PMI Distressed Markets List (with Levels 1 and 2), and the PMI Program Guideline Summary.

The risk of home price declines remains high in some parts of the country, and our Distressed Markets Policy protects our customers and the borrowers they serve in those markets. PMI reviews distressed markets on a regular basis to determine whether the local conditions continue to warrant this designation.

We are committed to achieving affordable, responsible and sustainable homeownership, and we appreciate the opportunity to work with you to achieve this goal. If you have any questions, please contact your PMI representative or call **800.966.4PMI (4764)**.