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## PREPARED FOR SUMMER?

Summer officially arrives in June, bringing with it a more relaxed lifestyle with the promise of well-deserved vacation. What's not to love? Unfortunately, June 1st also marks the beginning of the Atlantic hurricane season, and although 2009 was one of the quietest years due to El Niño, weather forecasters and scientists are predicting a very active year similar to 2005. Remember Hurricane Katrina and the three other major hurricanes that made landfall?

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has forecast fourteen to twenty-three named storms with eight to fourteen developing into hurricanes, extremely close to the 2005 record of fifteen. Three to seven of those could be major Category 3 or above hurricanes with winds of one hundred ten miles per hour or higher.

Keep this prediction in mind as you make your summer plans and include time to review the business income portion of your insurance policy. A frank discussion with your insurance agent should be your number one priority to make certain you have the correct coverages and dollar amount that will keep your business protected. Then consider working toward securing a Business Contingency Plan by scheduling a **Business Interruption Appraisal** (see *Be Informed*). This important report determines your disaster preparedness status and outlines what your company needs to do to get ready for a disaster. Once you know your business will be there for you, relax and enjoy those lazy days of summer!

Be sure you're covered. To schedule your **BI Appraisal** or **Business Contingency Plan** development, email [info@BISimplified.com](mailto:info@BISimplified.com) or phone 307.433.8180.

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