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AMCO Insurance Company 701 Fifth Ave Des Moines IA 50391 2000

OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION JUDGE HELENA, MONTANA

RE: Reesor Common Fund Action

Dear Claims Department:

I received the enclosed facsimile from your department, dated 4/28/05, which was attached to the <u>Reesor</u> Summons and Notice of Attorney Fee Lien. Your note asked for more information about the Reesor Common Fund Action.

The <u>Reesor</u> Common Fund Action applies to all workers compensation insurance companies who provided workers compensation insurance coverage in Montana between 7/1/1987 and 12/22/2004. If your company provided workers compensation insurance in Montana between those dates, then your company may owe additional ("retroactive") workers' compensation benefits to multiple claimants.

The Reesor Common Fund Action applies to workers compensation claims involving injured elderly workers. Pursuant to the unconstitutional operation of §39-71-710 MCA, injured elderly workers were denied full permanent partial disability benefits between 7/1/1987 and 12/22/2004. If your company invoked §39-71-710 MCA to deny injured elderly workers full permanent partial disability benefits, then your company may owe additional ("retroactive") workers' compensation benefits. If you have further questions about this matter, please ask your attorney to contact the Montana Workers Compensation Court or me. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas J. Murphy

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enc: Allied Insurance Cover Sheet – 4/28/05

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cc. Montana Workers' Compensation Court (no enc.)