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OFFICE OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION JUDGE HELENA, MONTANA

IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

CASSANDRA SCHMILL.

Petitioner,

VS.

LIBERTY NORTHWEST INSURANCE CORPORATION,

Respondent/Insurer.

and

MONTANA STATE FUND.

Intervenor.

WCC No. 2001-0300

RESPONSE TO PETITIONER'S CLAIM FOR COMMON FUND ATTORNEYS' FEES

COMES NOW, Indiana Lumberman's Mutual Insurance Company, by and through counsel of record, and responds to the Petition in the above-referenced matter. Respondent has used an electronic inquiry which revealed the names of all cases in which it insured injured workers for workers' compensation matters in the State of Montana. Of the twenty eight (28) cases, none (0) involved occupational diseases. Thus, Indiana Lumberman's has no cases in which the *Schmill* decision would apply. Please see the attached Affidavit of Michael Arnold.

DATED this ________ day of December, 2006.

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DOCKET ITEM NO. 349

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Laura R. Richardson, a representative of Carey Law Firm, P.C., attorneys for Indiana Lumberman's Mutual Insurance Company, hereby certify that on the day of December, 2006, I mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing RESPONSE TO PETITIONER'S CLAIM FOR COMMON FUND ATTORNEYS' FEES, postage prepaid, first class mail, to the following:

Ms. Laurie Wallace BOTHE & Lauridsen, p.c. P.O. Box 2020 Columbia Falls, MT 59912

Laura R. Richardson

IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

CASSANDRA SCHMILL	}
Petitioner,	WCC No. 2001-0300
vs.	AFFIDAVIT OF
LIBERTY NORTHWEST INSURANCE CORPORATION	MICHAEL ARNOLD
Respondent/Insurer,	
and	
MONTANA STATE FUND,	
Intervenor.	}

STATE OF INDIANA) :ss.
County of Marion)

COMES NOW, Michael Arnold, being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states as follows:

- I am the Workers' Compensation Assistant Manager for the ILM
 Group, which includes Indiana Lumbermens.
- 2. I have reviewed the files which Indiana Lumbermens had in Montana involving indemnity payments. All of these claims involved injuries.
- 3. None of the files I reviewed involved occupational disease claims.

 As a result, Indiana Lumbermens has no claims which are responsive to the

 Schmill case.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

DATED this 9th day of November, 2006.

STATE OF INDIANA

:SS.

)

County of Marion

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, a Notary Public for the State of Indiana, this 9th day of November, 2006, by Michael Arnold.

(Signature)

Name)

(SEAL)

MINNIE P. FLICK

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF INDIANA
Residing at Indiana
My Commission Expires: March 6, 20/0

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Laura R. Richardson, a representative of Carey Law Firm, P.C., attorneys for Qwest Corporation, hereby certify that on the 15th day of December, 2006, I mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL ARNOLD, postage prepaid, first-class mail, to the following:

> Ms. Laurie Wallace BOTHE & LAURIDSEN, P.C. PO Box 2020 Columbia Falls, MT 59912