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IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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) WCC No.: 2001-0300
RESPONDENT SAFECO COMPANIES UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION TO
) FILE REPLY BRIEF REGARDING ITS) MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS)
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COMES NOW the above listed Respondent/Insurers, and move this court for an extension of the deadline to file their reply brief to the Motion to Stay Proceedings filed on August 30, 2007, (document No. 387) and Notice of Joinder in Motion to Stay filed on August 31, 2007 (documents No. 388 on this Court's *Schmill* website). This motion is supported by the following brief. Counsel for Petitioner has been contacted and does not oppose this motion.

BRIEF

Counsel is working on its reply brief to the Motion to Stay Proceedings; however, due to the fact that counsel represents a large number of Respondents in this action who must be consulted with respect to the arguments presented in that reply, and due to the fact that it is quite time consuming to obtain their input and concerns, it is unlikely that counsel can effect such contract by Thursday, September 20, 2007, the date the reply brief is currently due.

WHEREFORE, the moving Respondents respectfully request this Court to issue an order continuing the deadline for its reply brief to the Motion to Stay Proceedings, until September 28, 2007.

DATED this 19th day of September, 2007.

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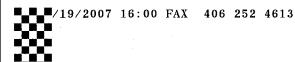
I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was mailed postage prepaid, to the following:

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This 19th day of September, 2007.

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September 19, 2007

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Re:

Schmill v. Liberty Northwest Insurance Corporation, et al

WWC No.: 2001-0300

Dear Ms. Wilson:

Enclosed please find the original Respondent Safeco Companies Unopposed Motion for Extension to File Reply Brief Regarding Its Motion to Stay Proceedings, as well as a proposed Order granting the same..

Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please feel free to contact me directly.

Best regards,

Kelli M. Roberts

Legal Assistant

Enclosures