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OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION JUDGE HELENA, MONTANA

IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT

OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

CASSANDRA SCHMILL,)
Petitioner,)))
v.) WCC No. 2001-0300
LIBERTY NORTHWEST INSURANCE CORPORATION,) AFFIDAVIT OF DANIELLE) BARTON
Respondent/Insurer,)
and)
MONTANA STATE FUND,)
Intervenor.))

1. <u>AFFIDAVIT OF DANIELLE BARTON</u>

DOCKET ITEM NO. _____

STATE OF OREGON) : ss.
County of Multnomah)

Danielle Barton, being first duly sworn, states that I have personal knowledge of the following facts:

- 1. I am a Product Line Manager for ESIS, Inc. ESIS is a Third Party Administrator (TPA) for ACE Group Workers' Compensation claims.
- 2. I am authorized to make the statements set forth in this affidavit on behalf of ACE Fire Underwriters Insurance Company, Century Indemnity Company, Indemnity Insurance Company of North America, ACE Indemnity Insurance Company, Pacific Employers Insurance Company, Bankers Standard Fire & Marine, ACE American Insurance Company, and Bankers Standard Insurance Company (collectively the "Insurers") and to bind the Insurers by these statements.
- 3. After a review of applicable records, I swear under oath that for all workers' compensation and occupational disease claims adjusted by ESIS, the Insurers should be dismissed from the above-entitled action because none of the Insurers has claimants meeting the Court's criteria in this matter as set forth in the Summons.
- 4. I understand that the Montana Workers' Compensation Court may allow a period of up to 90 days from the date of filing this affidavit within which counsel for Petitioner may conduct discovery and investigation for the limited purpose of proving or disproving the foregoing statement(s) made by me on behalf of the Insurers. After such

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90 days, if no objection is lodged by counsel for Petitioner, the Court will dismiss the Insurers from this action based on the sworn statements made by me in this affidavit.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is correct.

DATED this Aday of September, 2015.

DANIELLE BARTON

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of September, 2015.

OFFICIAL STAMP
KELLEY MARIE CAROL BOND
NOTARY PUBLIC-OREGON
COMMISSION NO. 939209
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 25, 2019

Kee (Signature)

(Print name)

Notary Public for the State of Oregon

Residing at Multnomh

My Commission Expires: May 25, 2019

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAILING

This is to certify that on the day of September, 2015, the foregoing attached AFFIDAVIT OF DANIELLE BARTON was duly served upon the following attorneys of record by depositing a true copy thereof in the United States mails, postpaid, addressed as follows, to-wit:

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