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IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA IN AND FOR THE AREA OF BOZEMAN BEFORE THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION JUDGE

KELLY WILD,

Petitioner,

VS.

WCC 2001-0286

MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

MONTANA STATE WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND,

Respondent.

COMES NOW, Lucas J. Foust, attorney for Claimant, Kelly Wild and respectfully requests this Court consolidate this matter with a case recently decided by the Montana Supreme Court *Mark Matthews vs. Liberty Northwest Insurance Company*, Cause no. 2001-0286. These matters were recently consolidated by the Montana Supreme Court and argued simultaneously. The factual issues and legal issues in these cases are virtually identical for the purposes of determining whether the claimants were in fact employees and not independent contractors. These cases have recently been decided by the Montana Supreme Court and were remanded to this Court. In an effort to save time, Counsel for Claimant Kelly Wild respectfully requests this Court consolidate the above-entitled matter with *Mark Matthews vs. Liberty Northwest Insurance Company*, Cause no. 2001-0286.

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Respectfully submitted this 8th day of May, 2003

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I hereby certify that on 8th day of May, 2003, a copy of the foregoing was served, either by mail or personal delivery, on:

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