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Honorable Mike McCarter Workers' Compensation Court PO Box 537 Helena, Montana 59624-0537

OFFICE OF VORKER'S COMPENSATION JUDGE HELENA, MONTANA

RE:

Stavenjord v. State Compensation Ins. Fund, 2001 MTWCC 25, WCC No. 2000-0207

Schmill v. Liberty Northwest Ins. Corp., WCC No. 2001-0300

Rausch v. State Compensation Ins. Fund, 2001 MTWCC 16, WCC Nos. 9907-8274,

2000-0023 and 2000-0030

Ruhd v. Liberty Northwest Ins. Corp., WCC No. 2002-0500

Flynn v. State Compensation Ins. Fund, 312 Mnt. 410, 60P.3d 397, 2002 MT 279

Lee Miller v. Liberty Mutual Fire Ins. Co., WCC No. 2000-0174

Dear Judge McCarter:

Montana State Fund is opposed to the consolidation of the above referenced cases. The facts and issues of each case are separate and distinct. Consolidation would blur facts and legal issues and not allow for individual consideration of each case.

If the court is considering proceeding in this manner, Montana State Fund respectfully requests that a briefing schedule be issued and a time set for argument.

Sincerely.

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