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OFFICE OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION JUDGE HELENA, MONTANA

IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Robert Flynn and	) WCC No. 2000-0222
Carl Miller, Individually and on Behalf of Others Similarly Situated, Petitioners,	) ) PETITIONERS' MOTION TO AMEND ) PETITION FOR HEARING AND BRIEF IN ) SUPPORT
v.	)
Montana State Fund, Respondent/Insurer,	) ) )
and	)
Liberty Northwest Insurance Company, Intervenor.	) ) )
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## **MOTION**

Petitioners move the court to allow Petitioners to amend the Petition for Hearing to include a request for penalties and attorney fees for the insurers' delay in identifying and paying claims.

## **BRIEF IN SUPPORT**

Pursuant to the Court's Minute Entry and Order dated April 22, 2009, this is the deadline for motions. Petitioners contend that the insurers who have been notified of the claims in this action have a duty to identify and pay claimants the benefits to which they are entitled pursuant to the claims and orders in this action. Petitioners believe that the said insurers which have failed to identify and pay the entitled claimants are obligated, at this late date, to pay attorney fees and a penalty to most if not all the entitled claimants. The entitlement of many of these claimants has never been the subject of an argument by the insurers that the specific claimants are not entitled to benefits.

For the above reasons, Plaintiffs should be allowed to amend their Petition.

DATED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.

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October 19, 2009

Clara Wilson, Clerk of Court Workers' Compensation Court PO Box 537 Helena, MT 59624-0537

Re:

Flynn/Miller

WCC No. 2000-0222

Dear Ms. Wilson:

Attached is a copy of Petitioner's Motion to Amend Petition for Hearing and Brief in SUPPORT dated October 19, 2009. This copy will replace the email-filed copy sent to you today.

Sincerely,

ATTORNEYS INC., P.C.

Miva Van Engen

Paralegal to Rex Palmer

Enclosure