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WORKERS' COMPENSATION JUDGE
HELENA, MONTANA

IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

DALE REESOR,)	
)	
Petitioner,)	WCC No. 2002-0676
)	
vs.)	
)	
MONTANA STATE FUND,)	MOTION REQUESTING LEAVE TO
)	PERMIT LATE FILING
Respondent/Insurer.)	

COMES NOW Respondent, STILLWATER MINING COMPANY ("SMC") and requests this Court grant leave to submit a late Response to the *Summons and Notice of Attorney Fee Lien* issued in this case.

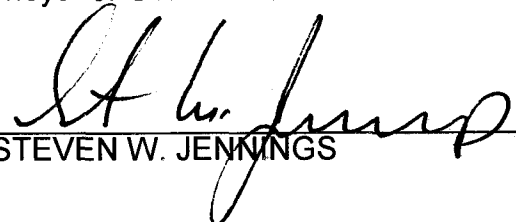
On April 22, 2005, this Court issued a *Summons and Notice of Attorney Fee Lien* advising Montana Workers' Compensation Insurers that they were required to file a response by June 6, 2005. SMC states that it was unaware of this *Summons and Notice of Attorney Fee Lien* and, to the best of its knowledge, had never been served with same. SMC first learned of the *Summons and Notice of Attorney Fee Lien* incidental to discussions with local counsel. Accordingly, SMC seeks leave to file the enclosed *Response* in this action. Plaintiff's counsel, Tom Murphy, could not be reached to consult with respect to stipulating to this motion.

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Dated this 16th day of June, 2005.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, STEVEN W. JENNINGS, one of the attorneys for the law firm of Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich P.L.L.P., hereby certify that on the 16th day of June, 2005, I mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing document, postage prepaid, to the following:

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