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IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

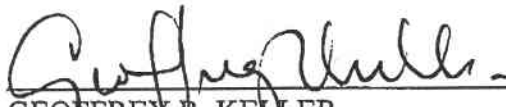
CASSANDRA SCHMILL,)	
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Petitioner,)	WCC No.: 2001-0300
)	
vs.)	RESPONDENT SAFECO COMPANIES'
)	NOTICE OF JOINDER IN OPENING
LIBERTY NORTHWEST)	BRIEF REGARDING GATEWAY
INSURANCE CORPORATION,)	LEGAL ISSUES
)	
Respondent/Insurer,)	
)	
and)	
)	
MONTANA STATE FUND)	
)	
Intervenor.)	
_____)	

COME NOW the above listed Respondent/Insurers, and hereby join in, and by this reference incorporate as if fully set forth herein, the arguments set forth by the Respondent/Insurers represented by Steven W. Jennings, Crowley Law Firm, in their Opening Brief Regarding Gateway Legal Issues filed in this matter.

DATED this 14th day of April, 2008.

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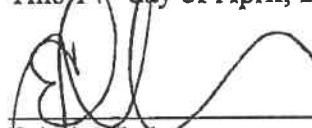
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This 14th day of April, 2008.


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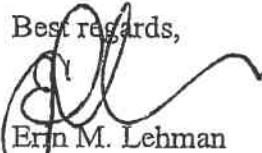
Re: Schmill v. Liberty Northwest Insurance Corporation, et al
WWC No.: 2001-0300

Dear Ms. Wilson:

Enclosed for filing is the Respondent Safeco Companies' Joinder in Opening Brief Regarding Gateway Legal Issues. The original will follow by U.S. Mail, with a copy of the same that we would request be date stamped and returned to our office.

Thank you for your assistance, and should you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please feel free to contact me directly.

Best regards,


Erin M. Lehman
Legal Assistant

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