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NOTICE TO INSURANCE CARRIERS, SELF-INSURED EMPLOYERS UNDER THE LONGSHOREMEN'S AND HARBOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT

Subject: Realignment of District Boundaries of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs - Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act

This is to advise all companies and individuals having an interest in the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act and its various extensions of a realignment in the territorial boundaries of the compensation districts.

The States and district offices affected by this change are:

District No. 11, Kansas City, is eliminated. Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska are transferred to District No. 10 with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.

District No. 12, Denver, is eliminated. Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming are transferred to District No. 14 with headquarters in Seattle, Washington.

The address of the Chicago office is:

U.S. Department of Labor
ESA/OWCP/DLHWC
8th Floor
230 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

The address of the Seattle office is:

U.S. Department of Labor
ESA/OWCP/DLHWC
4010 Federal Office Building
909 First Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98174

The changed boundaries will affect the reporting and processing of injury and death cases under the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act and its extensions, primarily the Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentalities Act, in the areas where boundaries are changed. The boundaries of these districts follow those of the States comprising them.
Effective immediately all reports of injuries or deaths covered by any of the Acts mentioned above will be submitted to the Deputy Commissioner of the territorial jurisdiction within which they occur, according to the revised boundaries. Active cases of injuries or deaths already on file in Denver or Kansas City will be transferred in accordance with the new boundaries as the cases come forward for attention, and further handling or adjudication of such cases will be done by the receiving Deputy Commissioner.

Individual notices of case transfers are being sent to insurance carriers and self-insured employers for each open case being moved from the Kansas City and Denver District Offices. However, insurance companies receiving this notice should inform their regional and local offices having business with OWCP District Offices of the changes indicated in this announcement, and advise their offices to send coverage cards to the Deputy Commissioner in whose district the insured employer does business. Questions about submitting coverage cards for individual employers or about reporting or handling cases should be directed to the Deputy Commissioner.

Questions on the general effect of the boundary changes or the effect of the changes on your company's authorization under any of the Acts in a particular area should be sent to: Associate Director, Division of Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Room C-4315, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. 20210.

Sincerely,

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