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Division of Industrial Accidents

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To: ALL INSURERS Re: LUMP SUM SETTLEMENTS

Henceforth conferences of the parties with Board Members for the purpose of discussing lump sum agreements shall be had only upon formal request therefor and assignment thereof.

It is the desire of the Board that, at the time set for conference on lump sum proposals, the record shall be complete with papers pertinent to the case, including report of injury or the result of the employer's investigation, agreements, medical records, medical bills requiring consideration, and copies of lump sum agreements. Insurers' medical reports are impounded where liability is denied. Failure to file necessary papers will preclude scheduling the conference.

It is also the desire of the Board that the parties shall have seasonable notice of conference.

The Board, at this time, republishes the requirement that notices of approval of lump sum agreements shall be mailed to the parties unless otherwise ordered, and that checks due employees shall be mailed to them at their home addresses, unless the Board shall direct otherwise.

Subject to the foregoing, the Board continues the present arrangement of daily informal conferences with Members to advise and assist the parties in respect to questions arising under the Act.

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD

Edward F. Doyle

Secretary