Office of Workmen's Compensation Programs

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INSURANCE CARRIERS AND SELF-INSURED EMPLOYERS UNDER

THE LONGSHOREMEN'S AND HARBOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION

ACT, AS EXTENDED

SUBJECT:

National Average Weekly Wage

General Information

The amended Sec. 6 of the Longshoremen's Act calls for the determination each year by the Secretary of Labor of the national average weekly wage, for making applicable adjustments of compensation benefits and for establishing the maximum rate of compensation payments. The initial national average weekly wage to be used through September 30, 1973, for adjustments and computations has been determined to be \$131.80.

This is the fourth of a series of Notices being prepared by the Office of Workmen's Compensation Programs (U.S. Department of Labor) for distribution to insurance carriers and self-insured employers under the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act as amended by P.L. 92-576.

The first Notice, dated November 15, 1972, explained the general provisions of the amendments as they affect insurance carriers and self-insured employers, and was accompanied by a summary of the sections describing insurance carriers' responsibilities under the Act. The second Notice, also dated November 15, covered the medical care provisions of Sec. 7 of the amended Act.

Future notices issued by this Office will be numbered.

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