U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION

Office of Workmen's Compensation Programs

Washington, D.C. 20211

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TO

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

SUBJECT:

Meeting in Washington, D.C., to discuss LS/HWCA

special fund assessments

The Department of Labor has been requested to meet with representatives of the insurance industry and self-insured employers under the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, and related laws, to explore questions which they may have concerning payment reporting procedures to the Department of Labor. The reports are required in connection with assessments for the special fund under section 44, as amended by P. L. 92-576.

Amounts assessed are prorated among companies based on their benefit payments under one or more of the affected The next assessment for 1974 benefits will be based on payments made by the companies during calendar year 1973. The assessments are used for payments from the special fund as described in section 44(j) of the amended Longshore Act.

The Office of Workmen's Compensation Programs will have representatives available to discuss the reporting procedures and related subjects concerning the Longshore Act as follows:

> Friday, December 7, 1973, 1:00 p.m. Conference Room 216 - A, B, C, and D Lower Level of Department of Labor Building 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C.

Your comments on the reporting procedure may be submitted for consideration to this office in writing, or you may send a representative to the meeting on December 7.

HERBERT A. DOYLE, JR.

Acting Director, Office of

Workmen's Compensation Programs

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WASHINGTON, D.C. XXXX 20211

Date:

November 16, 1973

Reply to Attn of:

EADCL

Subject:

Request for meeting with insurance carriers on LS/HWCA special fund assessments

To: EADC

Attached is a copy of a letter I received regarding a discussion last week with representatives of the American Mutual Insurance Alliance, at which I indicated our probable willingness to meet with industry representatives to discuss reporting procedures required to determine the amount of a company's assessments for the special fund. I believe such a meeting would provide a worthwhile interchange, and subject to whatever approval on higher authority is necessary, indicated our willingness to meet with industry to discuss the subject.

The request is referred for your consideration, and approval of the proposal is recommended. If scheduled, I believe we should anticipate an undetermined attendance and try to use one of the conference rooms in the Interdepartmental Building.

John & Stather JOHN E. STOCKER

Acting Deputy Director, OWCP

Attachment

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AMERICAN MUTUAL INSURANCE ALLIANCE

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Mr. John Stocker, Deputy Director Department of Labor Office of Workmen's Compensation Programs Washington, D.C.

Re: Assessments to the Special Fund under the Longshoremen's Act

Dear John:

Confirming our conference of today, we believe it is to the mutual interests of the Department of Labor and the insurance industry to schedule a meeting in early December to be attended by insurance carriers providing coverage under the Act and self-insurers to explore any questions which they may have concerning payment reporting procedures to the Department of Labor and required methods for such reporting in the future.

We will alert our membership to expect a notice from you as to the time and place of the planned meeting.

Best regards,

Edward L. Shields

Government Affairs Representative

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