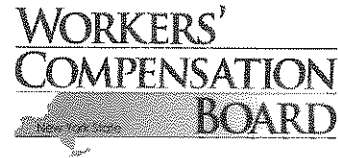




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September 22, 2014

Mr. John Buyce, CPA, CFE
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10 State Street, 11th floor
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Re: OSC Audit Report 2014-S-12

Dear Mr. Buyce:

As required by Section 170 of the Executive Law, the New York State Workers' Compensation Board is providing the following 90-day update on actions taken to implement the audit recommendations included in the Controls Over Cash Advance Report referenced above.

In response to the first recommendation to reduce the amount of the petty cash account to a level that more reasonably matches immediate needs, we have reduced the account from its previous balance of \$6,000 to \$3,000.

The second recommendation was to issue stop payment orders for three missing checks. As noted in the report, one of these checks was related to a payroll issue, but was voided shortly after it was prepared. A stop payment order has been issued. The other two checks were for subpoena fees. We were unable to stop payment on these due to a lack of supporting documentation needed by the bank; however, we have changed our procedures regarding the processing of requests from this account so that all checks will be appropriately tracked and stop payments issued timely. Please let us know if you have any questions or require any further information.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Beloten

c: Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York
Honorable Jeffrey D. Klein, Independent Democratic Conference Leader
Honorable Dean G. Skelos, Republican Conference Leader
Honorable Sheldon Silver, Assembly Speaker

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