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North Carolina Industrial Commission

MEMORANDUM

To: All Carriers/Employers

From: Claims Section, North Carolina Industrial Commission

DATE: October 2, 2017

RE: <u>Upcoming Changes to Sanction Amounts and Processes for Sanctions Issued</u> <u>Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 97-18(j)</u>

Effective December 1, 2017, the following changes will go into effect for sanctions issued pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 97-18(j):

- The amount sanctioned upon Carriers/Employers for failing to file a Form 60, 61, or 63 within thirty (30) days following notice from the Commission of the filing of a claim, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 97-18(j), shall increase from **\$200.00 to \$400.00**.
- After the initial sanction of \$400.00 for failure to timely file a Form 60, 61, or 63, Carriers/Employers shall have thirty (30) days anew in which to **remit payment-in-full** for the sanction AND to file a Form 60, 61, or 63. Failure to do *either* will result in an additional \$200.00 sanction and being referred to an Enforcement Docket before the Commission for additional sanctions potentially including, but not limited to, Contempt for failure to remit payment in full and/or failure to file a Form 60, 61, or 63.
- For each case in which the \$200 sanction is more than thirty (30) days delinquent, the sanction amount shall be increased to \$400 starting on December 1, 2017, if payment is not made in full on or before November 30, 2017. The matter will also be referred to an Enforcement Docket. Payment shall be made to the Order of the North Carolina Industrial Commission and sent to: N.C. Industrial Commission, Attn: Sharon Hodge, 4340 MAIL SERVICE CENTER, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA 27699-4340. Payment will be accepted in the form of cashier's check, money order or certified check. If you have questions regarding a sanction, please contact the Claims Section by sending an e-mail to sanctions@ic.nc.gov.