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April 13, 2010

Ms. Jodi Albin  
El Dorado County, Office of the District Attorney  
515 Main Street  
Placerville, CA 95667

RE: Fiscal Year 2009/10 Modified Budget for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program – Second Revision

Dear Ms. Albin:

We have reviewed the second submitted Fiscal Year 2009/10 modified budget for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program. The modified budget is acceptable as is the previously approved use of 2008/09 audited carry-over.

We appreciate your commitment to the program and are confident our coordinated efforts will significantly reduce workers' compensation insurance fraud in California. Please contact me at (916) 854-5742 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Scribner".

Damian Scribner, Program Analyst  
California Department of Insurance  
Fraud Division Headquarters/Local Assistance Programs



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EL DORADO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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**VERN PIERSON, DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

August 26, 2009

Department of Insurance  
9342 Tech Center Drive, Ste 100  
Sacramento, CA 95826

Re: Use of Carry-over

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as a written request to utilize \$14,505.22 in carry-over funds. The amount requested is broken down as follows:

Carry-over from 05/06	\$ .29	
Interest 06/07	\$ 550.66	
Carry-over from 06/07	\$4,680.40	
Interest 07/08	\$1,365.53	
Carry-over from 07/08	\$7,021.00	(Audit finding from 07/08 Audit Report)
Interest 08/09	\$ 887.34	

The lead Deputy District Attorney, Dick Jones, outlined a few of the areas where El Dorado County could really benefit by use of these funds:

1. Angora Fire Cases; presently, I have just set People v. Durrer a felony matter for trial starting January 10, 2010. This matter will take approximately two weeks to complete and is the last of the fraud cases from our sting operations completed by our team in the fire area.

2. Angora Fire inspections; Starting immediately subsequent to the fire victims being allowed back into the fire area, we began, in conjunction with CDI and CSLB, a program to inspect all contractors in the area. Our purpose is to ensure that all contractors are properly licensed and insured. This program is ongoing and will continue during the rebuilding cycle. Our workers compensation investigator is the lead in this program.

3. We began a joint investigation with EDD last year inquiring into the activities of a general contractor suspected of various fraudulent activities including workers compensation fraud, premium fraud and tax evasion. The EDD has completed the first phase of evading payroll

taxes and has assessed the contractor in excess of \$1,000,000.00 (one million dollars) which assessment is now final. We have now commenced our second phase of the investigation with EDD concerning the criminal aspect of the evasion and now what we believe to be a premium fraud element.

With economic times as they are and the rise in fraudulent activity in El Dorado County, we are respectfully requesting approval of the carry over funds.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Jodi Albin  
Fiscal Administrative Manager

BUDGET CATEGORY AND LINE ITEM DETAIL		COST
<b>A. Personnel Services- Salaries/Employee Benefits</b>		
<b>Salaries</b>	(including Tahoe differential, bi-lingual, standby, longevity, overtime and deferred comp)	
DA Investigator	1.35 FTE	136,943.01
Deputy DA	0.35 FTE	41,316.08
Legal Secretary	0.20 FTE	7,866.94
Forensic Auditor	0.10 FTE	6,274.44
<b>Benefits</b>		
<b>Medicare:</b>		
DA Investigator	1.35 FTE	1,905.24
Deputy DA	0.35 FTE	584.47
Legal Secretary	0.20 FTE	114.07
Forensic Auditor	0.10 FTE	90.98
<b>Health/Flex:</b>		
DA Investigator	1.35 FTE	16,631.77
Deputy DA	0.35 FTE	6,184.72
Legal Secretary	0.20 FTE	1,338.46
Forensic Auditor	0.10 FTE	1,261.18
<b>Retirement/ PERS:</b>		
DA Investigator	1.35 FTE	43,282.23
Deputy DA	0.35 FTE	8,025.40
Legal Secretary	0.20 FTE	1,497.60
Forensic Auditor	0.10 FTE	1,220.32
<b>Disability Insurance:</b>		
DA Investigator	1.35 FTE	447.24
Deputy DA	0.35 FTE	145.11
Legal Secretary	0.20 FTE	28.32
Forensic Auditor	0.10 FTE	22.59
<b>Unemployment Insurance:</b>		
DA Investigator	1.35 FTE	931.78
Deputy DA	0.35 FTE	302.31
Legal Secretary	0.20 FTE	59.00
Forensic Auditor	0.10 FTE	47.12
<b>TOTAL</b>		276,520.36

<b>BUDGET CATEGORY AND LINE ITEM DETAIL</b>	<b>COST</b>
<b>B. Operating Expenses</b>	
<b>Memberships:</b>	
California District Attorney's Association \$110.00	38.50
State Bar of California \$400.00	140.00
California District Attorney Investigators Association \$30	37.50
Northern California Fraud Investigators Association \$40.00	40.00
<b>Book:</b>	
California Insurance Code	23.00
<b>Training:</b>	
Insurance Fraud Seminar	
DDA	480.00
Investigator	1,141.86
<b>Rent &amp; Lease Vehicle:</b>	
Co Vehicle 15-169 Messier est mileage 10,925 x .2292 (Fleet Rate)	2,504.00
<b>Vehicle Costs:</b>	
Fuel for county vehicles	1,200.00
<b>Computer Equipment:</b>	
Air Card for Laptop	480.00
<b>Audit Fee:</b>	
El Dorado County Auditor/Controller (required)	5,250.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	11,334.86

<b>BUDGET CATEGORY AND LINE ITEM DETAIL</b>	<b>COST</b>
<b>C. Equipment</b>	
4GB Dell Desktop Computer	1,650.00
<b>CATEGORY TOTAL</b>	1,650.00
<b>PROGRAM TOTAL</b>	289,505.22
<b>CARRYOVER TOTAL</b>	11,701.69
<b>INTEREST TOTAL</b>	2,803.53