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DWC issues third 15-day notice for modifications to proposed supplemental job displacement benefit regulations

A third 15-day notice of modification to the supplemental job displacement benefit regulations has been distributed to interested parties and posted to the DWC website. Members of the public are invited to present written comments regarding the proposed modifications to dwcrules@dir.ca.gov until 5 p.m., July 18, 2013.

The proposed modifications include changes to:

• Section 10117. Offer of Work; Adjustment of Permanent Disability

Subdivision (f) is deleted and the subdivisions were relettered to accommodate the change in order.

• Section 10133.31. Supplemental Job Displacement Nontransferable Voucher for Injuries Occurring on or After 1/1/13.

Subdivision (f)(5) is amended to allow injured workers to submit written bids from a computer retailer to obtain payment for the purchase of computer equipment because they may not have the funds to purchase the equipment up-front. If the injured worker receives funds based upon submission of a written bid, the injured worker will be required to submit receipts. Failure to submit receipts will result in a \$1,000 deduction from the total amount allowable by the voucher.

• Section 10133.32. Form DWC-AD 10133.32 "Supplemental Job Displacement

Nontransferable Voucher for Injuries Occurring on or After 1/1/13"

A separate Request for Purchase of Computer Equipment was added to the form. Injured workers can submit either a written bid from a computer retailer or receipts of purchase. Following the purchase, receipts for the computer equipment must be submitted to the claims administrator.

• Section 10133.34. Offer of Work for Injuries Occurring on or After 1/1/13

Subdivision (b)(4) was deleted and the subdivisions were renumbered to accommodate the change in order.

The notice, text of the regulations, and forms can be found on the proposed regulations page.

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