

Workman's Compensation, Compensation Plan. Industrial Accident Board, Standard Policy of Insurance. Standard Policy of Insurance, Definition of Paragraph 6. "Employee", Word Defined.

The word "employee" is defined in Section 6 (j) of the Compensation Act, and is shown in the opinion.

June 16th, 1915.

Hon. A. E. Spriggs,
Chairman Industrial Accident Board,
Helena, Montana.

Dear Sir:

You have requested this office for an opinion construing the language of Paragraph 6 of the Standard Policy of Insurance adopted by your office, and to be used by Insurance Companies in insuring employers subject to the provisions of Compensation Plan No. 2. The section of the policy referred to reads as follows:

"This policy shall cover all employees of the employer legally employed."

The word "employee" as used in this paragraph is defined in Section 6 (j) of the Compensation Act, a reference to which will disclose that it

is meant to cover every person in this state, including a contractor other than an independent contractor, who may be engaged in the employment of an employer carrying on or conducting any of the industries classified as hazardous (Sec. 4 a-b-c-e and 5 of the Act) whether by way of manual labor or otherwise or whether upon the premises or at the plant of the employer.

In view of the definition of the word "employee" as above indicated, it is difficult to conceive where any ambiguity exists in the language referred to.

Yours very truly,

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