

August 5, 1959

AIRMAIL

Mr. J. S. Taylor
Armstrong Contracting and Supply Corporation
304 Shaw Road
South San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Subjects: Lloyd V. Viall
B/A - 5/18/59
Workmen's Compensation - Nevada

The attached Nevada Form C-2 is to be completed by the employer, employee, and physician. Nevada, being a monopolistic state, requires the employer to insure in the State Fund so that Travelers is not involved insofar as Mr. Viall's employment in Nevada is concerned.

Records here in Lancaster reveal the following employment with Armstrong Cork Company and Armstrong Contracting and Supply Corporation:

9/21/55	to	12/22/55
8/25/58	to	9/30/58
10/7/58	to	5/22/59

The first two periods were out of the Los Angeles office and the last one involved San Francisco which resulted in the following monthly reports of Mr. Viall's Nevada earnings to the Nevada Commission:

1958	Nov.	\$448.00	14 days
	Dec.	672.00	21 days
1959	Jan.	288.00	9 days
	Feb.	none	
	Mar.	326.00	10 days
	Apr.	615.00	25 days
	May	554.20	17 days

We have completed a few of the items; however, records here in Lancaster do not give us the answers to the questions, which we are asking you to complete before signing and mailing to the Commission in Carson City. This is probably another case where we were unaware of any disability until we received the C-2 form. If that is so, we suggest you answer the questions accordingly.

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Incidentally, our files disclose the fact that the Commission was informed by John S. Murphy that all men were hired in California for work in Nevada.

If the number of lung claims keep on increasing as they have in the past several weeks, most of your time will be spent on asbestosis and pneumoconiosis claims. Seriously though, it is important that we cooperate with our insurance carriers and give them all the help we can for two reasons. First, these claims usually result in total permanent disability which means maximum compensation awards of which we will pay our proportionate share. Second, there is some doubt that our type of work could cause asbestosis. However, since one employee collected under the California Occupational Disease Law, we have had quite a few asbestosis claims. Our only concern, where an award has been made, is to be sure we are not charged with more than our proportionate share.

If you have a duplicating machine, will you send us a copy of the C-2 form submitted.

Very truly yours,

ARMSTRONG CORP COMPANY

R. C. Schiedt, Jr.
Insurance Department

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Enclosure

J. E. Zeller, ACAS, Lancaster