

ETHYL GASOLINE CORPORATION

25 BROADWAY

INTER-OFFICE
CORRESPONDENCE

NEW YORK March 16, 1929.

Dr. Robert A. Kehoe,

Dear Dr. Kehoe:

Enclosed is copy of the record of [REDACTED] who was a tank wagon driver for the Jenney Manufacturing Company of Boston—delivering all kinds of petroleum products, amongst them being Ethyl Gasoline. This report was given to me yesterday by Mr. Deckelman who is the manager of the Claim Department of the Travelers Insurance Company at Hartford.

This matter came up as a compensation case before the Industrial Board in Massachusetts where occupational diseases are compensable, and inasmuch as it was a death case it will amount to somewhere between \$4,500 and \$5,000 very likely, although it cannot exceed \$6,000. Award was made by the Board on the ground that the deceased came to his death by reason of his occupation although there was no proof presented which would particularly involve the handling of Ethyl Gasoline.

This means that the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, which is the insurance carrier of the Jenney Manufacturing Company, will have to pay the award, and of course they are interested in establishing, if they can, that it was the handling of Ethyl Gasoline that was either solely or partially the cause of Mr. [REDACTED] illness. If they can do that, then they would be entitled to reimbursement wholly or partially for whatever they have to pay by way of industrial award from us or our insurance carrier.

I had a meeting yesterday with Mr. Deckelman and Mr. Calvin P. Reid, who is the manager of the Claim Department of the Travelers in New York City, at which time we decided upon a very definite course in respect to the handling of all claims that may hereafter be presented, and also to apply to those that are now in existence, about which I am very anxious to talk with you. A substantial feature of the plan involves you and your department, and of course no effort would be made to put it into effect until after I have talked it over with you and received your consent to its adoption. I told them that there was a chance of my seeing you in Chicago during the coming week but whether I did or not I would arrange to see you sometime during the next ten days, as this matter—handling of claims—is of considerable importance, particularly in view of the fact that there have been six or seven presented during the past sixty days.

Since dictating the above I have been informed that two of our stenographers will not be here this morning and I will be unable to enclose the report on Mr. Logue referred to, as I would like to make a copy for our file

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before sending. It will follow in our Monday's mail without comment.

Yours very truly,

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