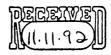


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## RE: WCB RATE INCREASES

Canadian Helicopters Ltd. is currently operating in four permanent bases in the N.W.T., Fort Simpson, Fort Smith, Norman Wells and Inuvik. All bases are staffed by residents of the N.W.T. In January of 1993 a fifth location will be added in Yellowknife. As our bases are staffed by northern residents, we come under the jurisdiction of the WCB in Yellowknife.

The current system of assessment is unfair. A fair system of assessment should look at two factors:

- 1) company history of accidents; and
- 2) safety training, practices and housekeeping of the company.

We are very proud of our safety record at Canadian Helicopters and I believe that lowering the assessment rates to reflect this will encourage all businesses to increase safety in their workplaces.

Michael Brocklebank

Base Manager