December 2, 2003

Mr. John Doe 101 Main Street

Anytown, New York 12303

RE: Claim/file number: 123456789

Policy number: <u>H2334456</u>
Insured's name: <u>John Doe</u>
Date of loss: <u>10/17/03</u>
Type of loss: <u>Fire</u>

Dear Mr. Doe,

The <u>ABC Insurance Company</u> acknowledges the receipt of a proof of loss with regard to the captioned loss.

As you know, the pending claim is held in abeyance pending the completion of the necessary investigation. The <u>ABC Insurance Company</u> has continued its investigation in a diligent manner and at present, it is awaiting reports on some materials submitted for <u>laboratory tests</u>. We have followed up with the testing <u>laboratory and we have been</u> advised that the analysis was recently completed and that the report should be available to <u>us shortly</u>. We do expect to be able to respond to the proof of loss within the next <u>ten</u> days.

We appreciate your continued patience and we will respond at the earliest time. In the interim, the <u>ABC Insurance Company</u> continues to reserve any and all rights in connection with this pending claim. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

William White
ABC Insurance Company