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Good morning,

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The following updates were recently made to the VCF website:

- [Policies & Procedures Section 1.9](#): Updated proof of presence information for CWA other than Local 1101.

#### CWA other than Local 1101

If the claimant was employed by Communications Workers of America other than Local 1101 and worked in the NYC Exposure Zone during the period beginning on September 11, 2001, through May 30, 2002, you should contact Micki Siegel de Hernandez by email at [msiegel@cwa-union.org](mailto:msiegel@cwa-union.org) or leave a message at 202-434-1100 (CWA Headquarters). Micki will contact you to discuss any documents that may be available to support the claim.

**If documents are available**, ask that they be sent to you along with the accompanying signed statement. **Upload the documents and statement** to claimant's VCF claim. If you upload this information, you do not need to submit additional proof of presence to the VCF.

**If documents are not available**, ask the claimant to reach out to their employer to complete a [Third Party Verification Form](#) and request they send it directly to the VCF. If claimant's employer won't complete the form, ask two people who saw the claimant working near the WTC site to complete [Witness Presence Statements](#) and upload them to the VCF claim.

You should also notify the VCF once you have requested the documents, so we know to expect it in support of the claim. You can notify us by uploading a note to the claim, or by calling our VCF Helpline at 1-855-885-1555. We will review everything in the claim and will contact you if we need any additional information.

Please begin following this new guidance immediately for any claims you submit for individuals whose presence is based on their employment with CWA other than Local 1101. This information has also been incorporated into the [Interactive Presence Guide](#).

Thank you.

September 11th Victim Compensation Fund

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