DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS



In Reply Refer To:

Enclosed is a "Supplemental Statement of the Case" (SSOC). It is not a decision on any new

issues, but is intended to inform you of any material changes in, or additions to, the information contained in the "Statement of the Case" (SOC) that we previously sent to you. The following information will help you decide how to respond. We encourage you to discuss this with your representative, if you have one.

Your appeal was previously remanded by the Board of Veterans' Appeals ("Board") for further development, which has been completed. Before returning your appeal to the Board we are giving you a period of time to respond with additional comments or evidence. Please note that a response at this time is optional and is not required to continue your appeal.

- <u>If you wish to respond</u>, you have **30 days** from the date of this letter to respond. There is no special form to use. You can simply write to us and tell us in your own words what you disagree with in this SSOC and why.
- If you do not wish to respond, and you do not want us to wait for the **30 days** to expire, you can write to us and let us know that. If you do not respond, the Board will consider what you have already submitted in deciding your appeal.

We hope that the above information is helpful.

Sincerely yours

Enclosure