

NOTICE OF CRITICAL STATUS

For INSULATORS LOCAL UNION NUMBER 112 PENSION PLAN

Introduction

This is to inform you that on September 26, 2012, the plan actuary certified to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and also to the plan sponsor, that the plan is in critical status for the plan year beginning July 1, 2012. The plan was also in critical status for 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12. Federal law requires that you receive this notice.

Critical Status

The plan is considered to be in critical status because it has funding or liquidity problems, or both. More specifically, the plan's actuary determined that the plan has had, and is projected to continue having, an accumulated funding deficiency.

Rehabilitation Plan and Possibility of Reduction in Benefits

Federal law requires pension plans in critical status to adopt a rehabilitation plan aimed at restoring the financial health of the plan. The law permits pension plans to reduce, or even eliminate, benefits called "adjustable benefits" as part of a rehabilitation plan. If the trustees of the plan determine that benefit reductions are necessary, you will receive a separate notice in the future identifying and explaining the effect of those reductions. Any reduction of adjustable benefits (other than a repeal of a recent benefit increase, as described below) will not reduce the level of a participant's basic benefit payable at normal retirement. In addition, the reductions may only apply to participants and beneficiaries whose benefit commencement date is on or after February 1, 2007. But you should know that whether or not the plan reduces adjustable benefits in the future, effective as of February 1, 2007, the plan is not permitted to pay lump sum benefits (or any other payment in excess of the monthly amount paid under a single life annuity) while it is in critical status.

The Trustees has adopted a funding rehabilitation plan, and that funding rehabilitation plan has been approved by the collective bargaining parties.

Adjustable Benefits

The plan offers the following adjustable benefits which may be reduced or eliminated as part of any rehabilitation plan the pension plan may adopt:

- Disability benefits (if not yet in pay status);
- Early retirement benefit or retirement-type subsidy;
- Benefit payment options other than a qualified joint-and survivor annuity (QJSA);

Employer Surcharge

The law requires that all contributing employers pay to the plan a surcharge until a funding rehabilitation plan has been adopted by the collective bargaining parties. The amount of the surcharge is equal to a percentage of the amount an employer is otherwise required to contribute to the plan under the applicable collective bargaining agreement. With some exceptions, a 5% surcharge is applicable in the initial critical year and a 10% surcharge is applicable for each succeeding plan year thereafter in which the plan is in critical status.

Where to Get More Information

For more information about this notice, you may contact Ms. Stefanie Stricklin, at 1-337-474-2298, 2126 Oak Park Blvd., Lake Charles, LA 70601. You have a right to receive a copy of the rehabilitation plan from the plan.