

PENSION & 401(K) PLANS

EIN # 38-6152409

Notice of Endangered Status For

United Association of Journeymen Plumbers and Journeymen Steamfitters and Pipefitters Local Union No. 357 Pension Plan

This is to inform you that on September 28, 2015 the Plan Actuary certified to the U.S. Department of the Treasury and to the Plan Sponsor that the Plan is in endangered status for the plan year beginning July 1, 2015. Federal law requires that you receive this notice. In the future you will receive an annual update of this status and the progress the Plan is making towards the goals described below.

Endangered Status

The Plan is considered to be in endangered status because it is projected to satisfy the following:

 $\frac{Funded\ percentage\ less\ than\ 80\%}{percentage\ is\ 76.5\%\ on\ July\ 1,\ 2015}.\ The\ "funded\ percentage"\ is\ the\ fraction\ of\ earned\ benefits\ that\ could\ be\ funded\ with\ existing\ Fund\ assets.$

As required by law, the Plan Actuary's certification includes only contribution rate increases that have been codified in collective bargaining or participation agreements.

Funding Improvement Plan

Federal law requires pension plans in endangered status to adopt a funding improvement plan aimed at restoring the financial health of the Plan. Since this plan became endangered as of July 1, 2009, a funding improvement plan was previously set in place to begin June 1, 2011. The funding improvement plan requires that the Plan's funded percentage improve at least 33% of the way to 100% over a 13-year period. The target for this Plan under the law is a funded percentage of 100% by June 30, 2024. The Plan must also meet the Federal minimum funding requirements during the final year of this 13-year period. Based on our most current actuarial projections, we are well on track to meet or exceed these benchmarks.

Future Experience and Possible Adjustments

The funding improvement plan is based on a number of assumptions about future experience and may need to be adjusted in the future if such assumptions are not met. Additional contribution rate increases and/or reductions in the rate at which benefits are earned may be needed if the Fund were to suffer asset returns below the expected 7.00% in the 2014-15 plan year or later, a drop in the hours worked, or poor experience from other sources. If, at some point in time, the Trustees determine that further adjustments are necessary, you will receive a separate notice identifying and explaining the effect of those changes.

Where to Get More Information

You have a right to receive a copy of the funding improvement plan and any updates to that plan. To receive a copy of the latest version, you may contact the Ms. Lori Hatfield at 11847 Shaver Rd., Schoolcraft, MI 49087 or by telephone at (269) 679-3708.