Notice of Status For

Anthracite Health and Welfare Fund Pension Plan

This is to inform you that on March 27, 2009 the plan actuary certified to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and also to the plan sponsor, that the plan had been in critical status. Federal law requires that you receive this notice.

Exit from Critical Status

In 2008, the plan's actuary certified that the plan was in Critical Status. The plan had attained this status due to an unresolved outstanding debt to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC). On February 17, 2009, the plan's Trustees agreed to pay the PBGC the sum of \$1,830,000 to permanently relieve this debt on the condition that the Trustees take immediate action to terminate the plan. The payment of this amount to the PBGC resulted in a funding surplus, and the plan is no longer in Critical Status. The Trustees have begun the process of plan termination.

Where to Get More Information

For more information about this Notice, you may contact the Office of the Plan Administrator at the Anthracite Health and Welfare Fund, 2 E. Broad Street, Suite 414, Hazleton, PA 18201, telephone (570) 455-3611. You have a right to receive a copy of the rehabilitation plan from the plan.