

THE EDMONTON PIPE INDUSTRY

HEALTH, WELFARE & PENSION TRUST FUNDS

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To: All Members of The Edmonton Pipe Industry Health & Welfare Plan

Re: Changes to the Self Payment Guidelines and Rates

Dear Plan Member,

The Trustees have reviewed the Self Payment guidelines of the Plan and have resolved that certain changes necessary to control participation in the Self Pay Plan are to be implemented. These changes are as follows:

1. For Members whose Hour Bank has expired as of December 31, 2006 and whose first Self Payment will be for the month of January 1, 2007, Self Payments may be made for a maximum period of 12 consecutive months. For those Members currently making Self Payments in 2006, the 12 month maximum period will be applied as follows, taking into account your Self Payment for the month of December, 2006:

Number of Months on Self Pay	Termination Date for Self Payments
12 or more	March 31, 2007
11	March 31, 2007
10	March 31, 2007
9	March 31, 2007
8	April 30, 2007
7	May 31, 2007
6	June 30, 2007
5	July 31, 2007
4	August 31, 2007
3	September 30, 2007
2	October 31, 2007
1	November 30, 2007

Please note that it is your responsibility to verify your status with the Administration Office in order to determine how many additional months of Self Payment you are permitted to make based on the chart above. Once you have reached your 12 month maximum payment period you will receive a Termination of Benefits Notice from the Administration Office.

2. Effective February 1, 2007 the Self Payment Rates are increasing as follows:

Plan A: \$130 per month family or \$65.00 per month single

Plan B: \$25.00 per month family or \$23.00 per month single

Plan C: \$84.00 per month family or \$47.00 per month single

Plan D: \$52.00 per month family or \$38.00 per month single

Effective each February 1st, the Self Payments Rates will be adjusted to reflect the average cost of benefits for Active Members for the year ended September 30th.

For those Members who had post-dated Self Payments on file at the Administration Office which either:

1. Were for months in excess of the 12 month maximum Self Payment Period, a cheque is enclosed returning your Self Payments; or
2. Were for months after January, 2007 based upon the old Self Payment Rate, a cheque is enclosed, or will be forwarded shortly, and a replacement cheque is required based on the new Self Payment Rates outlined above.

Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees
The Edmonton Pipe Industry Health & Welfare Fund

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