

Re: Update on Boeing-Wichita settlement distributions

Dear Class Member,

You are receiving this letter because you are a member of a class action settlement with Boeing. We write to inform you of the updated status of this matter.

As you will remember from previous communications, payments will be distributed to Class Members in three categories: 1) the medical-claims reimbursements, 2) the “pension” distribution; and 3) the medical residual distribution.

Update on medical-claims reimbursements. The first round of medical-claims reimbursement checks were sent to eligible Class Members in May, 2016. The Claims Administrator (Gilardi) is still processing a few remaining claims from Class Members who have not yet submitted complete information. Gilardi is closing out that process. Those individuals who have yet to submit required information will be notified shortly of the final bar date to submit supporting documentation.

Update on “pension” distributions. The settlement distributions based on the estimated pension losses have been held up pending discussions with the Internal Revenue Service about the appropriate tax treatment. Meetings have been held with the IRS to advocate for treating the payments as pension distributions. Regrettably, the IRS has declined to agree to that tax treatment. Accordingly, Gilardi will apply the federal and state withholding as required to be reported in wage distributions. We anticipate these checks will be mailed out to Class Members by the end of July.

Update on medical-residual payments. The amount of the medical “residual” payments cannot be determined until after the medical-claims reimbursement payments have been completed. As mentioned above, that reimbursement process is closing down. Once completed, the Claims Administrator will calculate the amount of the “residual” payments. Those payments will be made in an equal amount to every Class Member. As with the “pension” distributions, Gilardi will apply the federal and state withholding as required to be reported in wage distributions. These checks are tentatively scheduled to be sent in the New Year.

Status of settlement funds. The settlement funds have been accruing interest, which interest will be for the benefit of the Class Members.

Conclusion. As I wrote previously, please know that the settlement is being administered effectively and efficiently. For more information and to access documents, please visit the class website at: www.wichitaretirementclasssettlement.com, or call Gilardi & Co. toll-free at (877) 290-8514.

We continue to thank you for your patience as we work towards the best outcome here for the Class Members.

Sincerely yours,

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