## 1. Active Participation

Non-Seasonal employees for whom contributions are required to be made to the Trust under the terms of a pension agreement become "Active Participants" on the day on which they first accumulate 750 covered hours in the current and immediately preceding calendar years. Seasonal employees become "Active Participants" if they satisfy one-half of the covered hour requirement of Non-Seasonal employees.

# 2. Monthly Pension at Normal Retirement

The monthly pension earned for service prior to 1987 is determined based on the 1986 Plan provisions as outlined in the Actuarial Report as of January 1, 1986. The final five-year average contribution rate used for this determination recognizes contribution rates applicable to all 500 hour years through 1991.

For service after 1986, monthly pension benefits are earned as follows:

	Contribution Percentage	
Calendar Year	First 20 Years	After 20 Years
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1987-1991	2.00%	2.65%
1992-1996	2.30%	3.05%
1997-1999	2.46%	3.26%
2000-2002	2.70%	3.58%
1/2003-6/2003	2.20%	2.92%
7/2003-2006	1.20%	1.20%
2007	1.65%	1.65%
2008	2.00%	2.65%
2009+	1.20%	1.20%

#### 3. Past Service Credits

A participant is granted credit for the number of years and months of specified types of unbroken employment rendered prior to his or her first covered hour, subject to limits specified in the Plan.

#### 4. Vesting Service

A Plan member earns a vesting service year for each year after 1975 during which he or she is credited with at least 500 covered hours (250 covered hours for Seasonal Plan members). For service before 1976, a Plan member is credited with a vesting service year for each year of continuous coverage under the Plan.

## 5. Normal Retirement Age

A participant reaches Normal Retirement Age upon the later of age 65 or an Active participant's age on the second anniversary of his or her first covered hour.

#### 6. Normal Pension Form

The normal form of pension for unmarried participants is a Life Only Pension. In general, married participants who do not elect otherwise receive a reduced Employee and Spouse Pension. This reduced amount is an "actuarial equivalent" of the Life Only Pension. Participants who retired under the Employee and Spouse Pension Option will have their pension restored to the amount payable under the Normal Form if the spouse dies first. In the event that the participant dies first, the amount of spouse pension is 66 2/3% of the retiree's pension for those who retired after 1991 with recent coverage; otherwise the amount of spouse pension is 50% of the retiree's pension. In both instances, the actuarial reduction factor for the Employee and Spouse Pension amount is calculated as though the spouse pension benefit would be 50% of the reduced Employee and Spouse Pension.

#### 7. Other Pension Forms

An Optional Employee and Spouse Pension providing a 75% spouse pension is available. Participants retiring under age 65 may elect a Benefit Adjustment Option with or without the regular or Optional Employee and Spouse Pension.

# 8. <u>Early Retirement Eligibility Date</u>

In general, this date is the first day of the month coincident with or immediately following the later of the participant's 55<sup>th</sup> birthday or the date the individual becomes a vested participant. However, a participant with recent coverage may retire at any age if he or she meets the Rule of 84 (or Rule of 82 or Rule of 80) under the Program for Enhanced Early Retirement (PEER program); that is, the sum of his or her attained age plus years of contributory service is equal to or greater than 84 (or 82 or 80).

## 9. Monthly Pension at Early Retirement for a Participant with Recent Coverage

If a participant meets the Rule of 84 and has recent coverage, the monthly pension benefit is reduced by the sum of 0.45% for each of the first 60 months that the early retirement date precedes his or her 62<sup>nd</sup> birthday plus 0.33% for each month that the early retirement date precedes his or her 57<sup>th</sup> birthday.

If a participant has recent coverage but does not meet the Rule of 84, his or her monthly pension benefit is reduced by the sum of 0.60% for each of the first 60 months that the early retirement date precedes his or her 62<sup>nd</sup> birthday plus 0.40% for each month that the early retirement date precedes his or her 57<sup>th</sup> birthday.

#### 10. Monthly Pension at Early Retirement for a Participant with Current PEER Coverage

If a participant meets the Rule of 84 (or Rule of 82 or Rule of 80), is a member of a bargaining unit which has negotiated PEER 84 (or PEER 82 or PEER 80) contribution surcharges, and has <u>current PEER coverage</u>, the early retirement benefit equals 100% of the earned pension benefits. A participant has <u>current PEER coverage</u> at his or her retirement effective date if the applicable PEER contributions have been paid for at least 1,000 covered hours in the 24-month period immediately preceding his or her retirement effective date.

Note: If a participant is in a category of early retirement where benefits are subsidized (as described in paragraph 1 of Item 9 or in Item 10) and accumulates 25 years of service under the Plan while so covered, then his or her subsidized early retirement benefits are "locked-in" and cannot be forfeited.

#### 11. Disability Benefit

Upon a vested participant's total and permanent disability before age 65, the monthly benefit is the greater of (a) 85% of the earned monthly pension benefit or (b) the early retirement pension otherwise payable, provided the vested participant has met the specified recent coverage requirement on the disability onset date.

## 12. Vested Benefit Upon Termination of Employment

Upon termination of employment, a participant is vested in his or her accrued pension, based on past and future service credits, if he or she has completed at least 5 years of vesting service, one of which was completed during or after 1991.

A terminated vested participant may elect early commencement of the earned retirement benefit at any time on or after the Early Retirement Eligibility Date. If the participant does not have recent coverage and has not "locked-in" rights to unreduced pension benefits by having completed 25 years of Plan service before termination, the benefit is reduced by the sum of 0.60% per month for each of the first 60 months that the early retirement date precedes the participant's 65<sup>th</sup> birthday plus 0.40% per month for each month that such early retirement date precedes the participant's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Vested participants who are not covered by the current Plan provisions may be subject to additional limitations on their benefits.

## 13. Extra Check

An annual "Extra Check" is payable to: (i.) pre-1985 retirees in the amount of \$540 and to (ii.) their eligible survivors in the amount of \$450.

## 14. Death Benefits

Upon the death of a participant or pensioner who has met the specified recent coverage requirement, a temporary monthly pension is payable to the surviving children under conditions specified in the Plan.

A pre-retirement benefit to the surviving spouse is payable upon the death of a vested participant. If a married participant had recent coverage at the time of death, the spouse receives an immediate benefit based on the participant's earned benefit. The earned benefit is reduced to reflect early retirement, as specified in the Plan, and the appropriate Employee and Spouse Pension factor. 66 2/3% of the resulting amount is then payable immediately to the spouse. If the participant does not have recent coverage, the benefit is calculated as described above, but a 50% factor is applied in lieu of the 66 2/3% factor, and, if the participant was not eligible to retire on the date of death, commencement of the pension is deferred until the time the participant would have been first eligible to retire.

A single sum death benefit equal to 50% of contributions, subject to a maximum of \$10,000, is payable upon the death of an Active or Terminated participant who has completed at least 5 years of vesting service. In addition, for unmarried vested participants who satisfy the recent coverage requirements and would otherwise be eligible to retire, a death benefit of 48 times the participant's accrued pension, reduced to reflect early retirement as specified in the Plan, is payable as a lump sum amount.

Upon the death of a pensioner with a retirement date before January 1, 1992, a single sum benefit of 12 times the monthly normal form pension (Life Only annuity), subject to a maximum of \$10,000 is payable. Beginning with retirements in 1992, beneficiaries of retirees with recent coverage who elect a Life Only or Benefit Adjustment Option (without the Spouse Pension) receive a 4-Year Certain death benefit payment equal to 48 times the pensioner's Life Only benefit minus the total monthly payments already received by the pensioner.

If a pensioner retires after January 1, 1992, he or she may elect an Optional Lump Sum Death Benefit equal to 12 times the monthly normal form pension (Life Only annuity). The Optional Lump Sum Death Benefit is paid for by reducing the pensioner's monthly payment.

## 15. Transition Provisions

Certain minimum benefits are provided to participants who were covered by prior versions of the Plan.

# **PLAN AMENDMENT HISTORY**

The following is a summary of the Plan changes since 2000 that impact the valuation.

Effective Date	Description of Change	
1/1/2011	Annual "Extra Checks" to pre-1985 retirees and their eligible survivors were made a permanent part of the Plan.	
1/1/2009	A 75% Optional Employee and Spouse Pension was added. Also, a \$40 million reserve for extra check payments was established.	
1/1/2008	Effective for calendar year 2008 only, the percentages used to calculate Plan participant account benefits have been increased from 1.20% to 2.00% for participants who have not completed 20 years of service, and from 1.20% to 2.65% for participants who have completed at least 20 years of service. The percentages for years 2009 and later remain at 1.20%.	
1/1/2007	Effective for calendar year 2007 only, the percentage used to calculate Plan participant account benefits was increased from 1.20% to 1.65%. The percentages for years 2008 and later remain at 1.20%.	
7/1/2003	Effective July 1, 2003, the percentage used to calculate Plan participant account benefits has been reduced to 1.20% for the second half of 2003 and all subsequent years.	
1/1/2000	Effective for calendar years 2000, 2001 and 2002, the percentage used to calculate Plan participant account benefits has been increased. An Active participant will earn a monthly pension benefit of 2.70% instead of 2.16% for contributions credited in this period if he/she has not completed 20 year of service. If such participant has completed at least 20 years of contributory service, he/she will earn a monthly pension benefit of 3.58% instead of 2.86% during this same period.	
	Effective for calendar years 2003, 2004 and 2005, the percentage used to calculate Plan participant contribution account benefits has been increased. An Active participant will earn a monthly pension benefit of 2.20% instead of 2.00% for contributions credited in this period, if he/she has not completed 20 years of service. If such participant has completed at least 20 years of contributory service, he/she will earn a monthly pension benefit of 2.92% instead of 2.65% during this same period.	
	Effective with calendar year 2000, all Disability Pensioner benefits have been increased to 85% of his/her Normal Retirement Benefit unless said Disability Pensioner's benefits are already payable in a greater amount. Spouses of certain deceased Disability Pensioners have had their benefits appropriately adjusted, as applicable. The same 85% "floor" monthly pension benefit shall be paid to all Disability Pensioners and, as applicable, to their spouses for Plan participants who become Disabled Pensioners after calendar year 1999.	
	Effective with calendar year 2000, the maximum Child Survivor Benefits have been increased to \$1,000 and such increased benefits shall be payable, in general, upon the death of a person who was an Active Participant on 1/1/1987 or thereafter and who otherwise satisfied the applicable recency of employment requirements at the time of death.	
	Effective with calendar year 2000, PEER eligible participants with 25 years of contributory service "lock-in" PEER coverage by working at least 1,000 covered hours during any consecutive 24 month period that ends on or after completion of 25 years of contributory service.	