# Notice of Critical Status

## Road Carriers Local 707 Pension Plan EIN: 51-6106510/PN: 001

This is to inform you that the plan actuary certified to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and also to the Plan sponsor, that the Plan is in Critical Status for the Plan year beginning February 1, 2025. Federal law requires that you receive this notice.

#### **Critical Status**

The Plan is considered to be in critical status because it has funding or liquidity problems, or both. More specifically, the Plan received Special Financial Assistance and as per the American Rescue Plan Act the Plan will be certified in Critical Status until the last day of the last plan year ending in 2051.

#### **Rehabilitation Plan**

Federal law requires pension plans in critical status to adopt a rehabilitation plan aimed at restoring the financial health of the plan. This is the 18th year the Plan has been in critical status. The law permits pension plans to reduce, or even eliminate, benefits called "adjustable benefits" as part of a rehabilitation plan. On December 16, 2008, you were notified that the Plan reduced or eliminated adjustable benefits. On December 16, 2008, you were notified that as of December 16, 2008 the Plan is not permitted to pay lump sum benefits in excess of \$5,000 (or any other payment in excess of the monthly amount paid under a single life annuity) while it is in critical status.

If the trustees of the Plan determine that further benefit reductions are necessary, you will receive a separate notice in the future identifying and explaining the effect of those reductions. Any reduction of adjustable benefits (other than a repeal of a recent benefit increase, as described below) will not reduce the level of a participant's basic benefit payable at normal retirement. In addition, the reductions may only apply to participants and beneficiaries whose benefit commencement date is on or after December 16, 2008.

## **Adjustable Benefits**

The Plan offers the following adjustable benefits which have been reduced or eliminated as part of the rehabilitation plan adopted by the Plan:

- Post-retirement death benefits;
- Sixty-month payment guarantees;
- Disability benefits (if not yet in pay status);
- Early retirement benefits or retirement-type subsidies; and
- Twenty-five year service pension (default schedule only).

# **Employer Surcharge**

The law requires that all contributing employers pay to the plan a surcharge to help correct the plan's financial situation until such time as their collective bargaining agreements are updated to reflect the contribution increases required by the Rehabilitation Plan. The amount of the surcharge is equal to a percentage of the amount an employer is otherwise required to contribute to the plan under the applicable collective bargaining agreement. With some exceptions, a 5% surcharge is applicable in the initial critical year and a 10% surcharge is applicable for each succeeding plan year thereafter in which the plan is in critical status.

## Where to Get More Information

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