## IRON WORKERS DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WESTERN NEW YORK AND VICINITY SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT PLAN (RETIRED PARTICIPANTS)

## SUMMARY OF MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS AND NOTICE TO PARTICIPANTS

(Plan No: 502; I.D. 16-1550492)

Dated:

Dear Participant:

The following is a summary of an important change made to your Summary Plan Description ("SPD"):

The subsection COVID-19 Pandemic, of Section 5 (**Claims and Appeals Procedures**) is replaced with the following:

## **COVID-19 Pandemic**

Effective March 1, 2020, the Iron Workers District Council of Western New York and Vicinity Supplemental Benefit Fund will suspend certain deadlines detailed below that fall during the "COVID-19 Outbreak Period" (March 1, 2020, until sixty (60) days after the announced end of the COVID-19 National Emergency) until the earlier of: (a) one year from the applicable deadline; or (b) the end of the COVID-19 Outbreak Period. This means that every time that one of the following deadlines occurs on or after March 1, 2020, that deadline will be suspended for up to a year, as long as the COVID-19 Outbreak Period continues:

- 1. The 30-day deadline to request special enrollment in the Plan due to a loss of other coverage, your marriage, or the birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, with you of a new dependent.
- 2. The deadline to request special enrollment due to the loss of Medicaid or CHIP coverage.
- 3. The 60-day period to elect COBRA continuation coverage, the initial 45-day COBRA premium payment deadline, and the

subsequent 30-day deadlines for making COBRA premium payments for each month thereafter.

- 4. The deadline for individuals to notify the Plan of a qualifying event or determination of disability for purposes of COBRA.
- 5. The deadline to file an initial benefit claim under the Plan's claims procedures.
- 6. The deadline to file an appeal of an adverse benefit determination under the Plan's appeals procedures.
- 7. The deadline to file a request for external review.
- 8. The deadline to submit information to perfect a request for external review upon a finding that the request was incomplete.

The Plan's deadline to provide a COBRA election notice is also subject to the above Tolling Period.

Please place this information with your Summary Plan Description for permanent reference.

Contact the Fund Office at (585) 424-3510 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE IRON WORKERS DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WESTERN NEW YORK AND VICINITY SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT PLAN

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