

“INSURANCE PREMIUM SHARING GROUP (F933) INFORMATION/GUIDELINES”

(This group of retirees are those who retired on or after 5/12/09 but before 9/12/11)

This group of retirees brought a concern to me due to receiving a letter from the City dated 12/1/2014 explaining changes to the Insurance Program effective 1/1/2015. I contacted the Insurance Services for the reasoned explanation.

The following is an excerpt from my e-mail to the City Ins. Rep. L. Rule;

Ms. Rule,

The Letter dated December 1, 2014 addressed to Pre-65 Retirees;

My understanding after speaking with V. President R. Clark of Local 366 that this letter was inadvertently sent to some of the current Fire Retirees that it does not affect. Could you please look into the issue and let our organization know of the effective date(s) of change so we may assist those that fall into the many different categories of coverage since changes may be continued in the future.

(The following is an excerpt from an e-mail received (2/23/15) from City Ins. Rep. J. Kim (PSG-F933)

As a follow-up to the concerns, we discovered the 9/12/2011 dated 312 award did not retro the effective date of the floating to the initial 5/12/2009 partial settlement, and in the absence of an effective date, we should of used the date of the 312 award (9/12/2011). Therefore, just recently we created a new Meritain division called “F933”. The Fire retirees retired on or after 5/12/2009 but before 9/12/2011 were moved to this division and the benefits were locked in to what they were these last 5 plus years (since 5/12/2009); there were about 20 Fire retirees moved to this division; this was done before 1/1/2015 so their benefits were never affected.

After investigating the retirees involved during this period of time there were actually 24 who fall into this special health group, within that group are 6 members who are included in the Premium Sharing(see Addendum E-1).