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## SUBJECT: ILWU-PMA Pension Plan – Actuarially Increased Benefits Payable at Retirement for Participants who attain age 70<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> after December 31, 2002

Under the July 1, 2002 Memorandum of Understanding, the payment of ILWU-PMA Pension Plan benefits to longshoremen who continue in active employment after age 70½, called "In-Service Distribution Payments", was discontinued for participants who attain age 70½ after December 31, 2002. The Pension Plan instead provides that such Participants who attain age 70½ after December 31, 2002 will receive an actuarially increased benefit upon retirement. The actuarial increase will be based on the period beginning on April 1<sup>st</sup> following the calendar year in which the Participant attains age 70½ and ending on the date the Participant's Pension payments commence.

Actuarial increase factors are determined based on the Participant's age at retirement and are applied separately to the Participant's accrued benefit as of April 1<sup>st</sup> following the year in which he attains age 70<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> and to additional benefits accrued thereafter. Additional benefit accrual may be due to additional qualifying years of service or to increases in the pension accrual rate (subject to collective bargaining) or both.

**EXAMPLE**: A Participant with a date of birth of June 1, 1952 is credited with 37 qualifying Years of Service. He/she attains age 70½ on December 1, 2022. As of April 1, 2023, his/her accrued benefit is \$7,955 (\$215 x 37 years – the maximum). If the Participant retires at age 70<sup>11/12</sup> on May 1, 2023, his/her monthly pension payment at retirement is calculated as follows:

	Age	Accrued Benefit	Factor	Actuarially Increased Benefit
As of 5/01/ 2023	70 years, 11 months	\$ 7,955.00	1.011450	\$ 8,046.08
Actuarially Increased Monthly Benefit payable on 5/01/2023				\$ 8,046.08

Active participants who attained age  $70\frac{1}{2}$  in the calendar year 2022 will receive individual notices of this change. The amount of their individual actuarially increased benefit will be calculated at the time they retire based on their individual Years of Service, birth date and the monthly benefits in place between attainment of age  $70\frac{1}{2}$  and the time of retirement.