

Alaska Electrical Trust Funds

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Dear Alaska Electrical Pension Plan Retiree:

In November 2021, the Alaska Electrical Pension Fund Board of Trustees ("Board") approved two *temporary* amendments to the Return-to-Work rules due to the continuing national emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Covered Employment in All Classifications through 2022. The first amendment extends the temporary extension of the exception that permits "Eligible Retirees" (as defined below) to return to Covered Employment in any classification without loss of monthly pension benefit payments during the period of <u>January 1, 2022</u> through December 31, 2022.

These exception supersedes all other exceptions to the Return-to-Work rules (see reverse side of this notice), Please contact the Administrative Office if you have any questions about how this applies to you.

Who is an "Eligible Retiree"? To be an Eligible Retiree under this temporary exception, you must either:

- Have submitted your retirement application to the Administrative Office on or before <u>December 1, 2020</u>; or
- Your Retirement Date is more than six (6) months *prior to* the date that you are hired in Post-Retirement Service

In order to establish yourself as an Eligible Retiree, you also must complete the attached notification and return it to the Administrative Office by regular mail, email or fax (907) 278-7576. (If you are currently engaged in post-retirement service and have provided notice previously, you are *not* required to provide notice again in 2022.) You MUST also notify Local 1547 if you intend to return to work under this temporary rule.

<u>Instructors at the AJEATT</u>. The second amendment waives for 2022 the requirement that a retiree have been retired for six (6) calendar months prior to returning to work as an instructor at the Alaska Joint Electrical Apprenticeship and Training Trust.

If a Retiree does not provide notice to the Administrative Office before the last day of the calendar month in which s/he first engages in Post-Retirement Service, the normal Return-to-Work rules apply.

If you have any questions concerning this temporary amendment to the Plan's Return-to-Work rules, contact the Administrative Office at (907) 276-1246 or (800) 478-1246, or at 701 E. Tudor Road, Suite 200, Anchorage, AK 99503. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert Garcia Administrator

Enclosure as stated

Return-to-Work Rules, Generally

The Plan's Return-to-Work rules are set forth in Section 7.6 of the Plan document. The Plan generally provides for suspension of a retiree's monthly benefit payment for any calendar month in which a retiree engages in more than 40 hours of "Post-Retirement Service."

Post-Retirement service is employment:

- 1. In the State of Alaska: and
- 2. In a job classification, the core skills and the responsibilities of which are the same or similar to those of employment in which the Participant was engaged while earning a benefit under the Plan; and
- 3. In the industry in which the contributing employers participate.

However, a retiree who has been retired for six (6) months or more, may work (under the Plan's **permanent exceptions**) for up to six (6) calendar months in either or a combination of the following positions without suspension of benefits: as an estimator for a contributing employer (provided the classification isn't included under a bargaining agreement), or as an instructor for the Alaska Joint Electrical Apprenticeship and Training Trust ("AJEATT").

NOTIFICATION OF A TEMPORARY EXCEPTION*

TO THE RETURN-TO-WORK RULES

FOR POST-RETIREMENT EMPLOYMENT IN 2022

I understand that once the temporary exception expires on December 31, 2022 and if I continue to be employed in Post-Retirement Service (as defined in the Plan), my monthly retirement Plan benefit will be suspended from the reafter in which I am employed for more than forty (40) hours in Post-Retirement Service.	
Print Name	Phone Number
Signature	Date
Last 4 digits of SSN	Email
OFFICE USE ONLY	
Retirement Date:	Initial: