

SHEET METAL WORKERS LOCAL NO. 33 YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT HEALTH & WELFARE FUND

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NOTICE OF GRANDFATHERED HEALTH PLAN STATUS

The Board of Trustees believe this Fund is a “grandfathered health plan” under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (the Affordable Care Act). As permitted by the Affordable Care Act, a grandfathered health plan can preserve certain basic health coverage that was already in effect when that law was enacted. Being a grandfathered health plan means that your Plan may not include certain consumer protections of the Affordable Care Act that apply to other plans, for example, the requirement for the provision of preventive health services without any cost sharing. However, grandfathered health plans must comply with certain other consumer protections in the Affordable Care Act, for example the elimination of lifetime limits on benefits.

Questions regarding which protections apply and which protections do not apply to a grandfathered health plan and what might cause a plan to change from grandfathered health plan status can be directed to the Plan Administrator at 33 Fitch Boulevard, Austintown, Ohio 44515 (phone: 1-800-435-2388). You may also contact the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor at 1-866-444-3272 or www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform. This Web site has a table summarizing which protections do and do not apply to grandfathered health plans.

Please keep this information with your Summary Plan Description. As always, if you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Fund Office.

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