

Subject: PERS: Jan 2012 Employer Monthly Update.

Dear PERS employer,

In this update:

- 1) 2011 MACR and Member Account Correction.
- 2) 2012 subject salary limits posted.
- 3) 2010 Census data in use beginning January 2012.

1) 2011 MACR and Member Account Correction. (Note: This account correction information is also posted as an FAQ on the PERS employer website.)

New DTL2 record posting restrictions were installed with EDX Release 6.0 and operational on 29 June 2011, causing suspension of many records and reports. PERS began correction of affected 2011 member accounts and anticipate completion of 2011 accounts by Monday, 5 March 2012, the close of 2011 MACR.

Employers MUST inform PERS of position hire intent for affected 2011 accounts.

PERS will correct affected 2011 accounts but must defer to employer hire intent for the affected 2011 positions. PERS asked employers to provide that hire intent guidance by completing the Employer Hire Intent Survey. If you were unable to complete that survey, you need to contact a member of your 2011 MACR team with that hire intent information. You may find your 2011 MACR team members, their e-mail addresses and phone numbers, through the “Find Your ESC Account Team for MACR 2011” link, under the “ESC Account Team Locator” heading on the PERS employer webpage, www.oregon.gov/pers/emp/index.shtml .

Employers DO NOT NEED to back out and re-enter records for PERS-corrected

2011 accounts. PERS will change the 2011 position for affected accounts based on employer guidance. **When PERS changes the position, EDX will automatically back out the affected record(s), change the wage code and repost the affected record(s),** either refunding contributions for positions changed to non-qualifying or calculating and invoicing contributions for positions changed to active service. **Employers DO NOT NEED to back out and reenter records for positions modified by PERS; in fact, employers will be duplicating what EDX will do automatically.**

- 2) 2012 subject salary limits posted.

2012 subject salary limits for Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP IAP member account contributions and for the Final Average Salary (FAS) component of member benefit calculations can be found through the “Salary Limit” payment type on Page 5 of the Payment Categories chart. The 2012 limits for both Tier One/Tier Two and OPSRP members are available through the “Click here for current year limits” link. The Payment

Categories chart is available through the “Employer Tools” link on the PERS employer webpage.

3) 2010 Census data in use beginning January 2012.

Many of the positions exempt from the Tier1/Tier2 retiree work limit of 1040 hrs/calendar year depend on Federal Census data. Those positions are listed in Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 238.082 and depend on 2010 Federal Census data beginning 1 January 2012.

Please refer questions on these or any other subjects to your ESC 2011 MACR team.

Best regards,...