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The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the following improvements to the Health & Welfare Plan which will be effective with services received, or expenses incurred, on or after July 1, 2007:

- 1. The basis of payment for eligible dental services will be increased from the 2002 dental services reimbursement guide to a proxy for an Alberta dental fee guide for 2005. You may recall that Alberta dentists have not developed a dental fee guide for many years and so the construction of such a guide is left to the payors of dental services such as this Plan;
- 2. Dental implants will be covered as an alternative major restorative service. The amount paid for dental implants will be the same as the lower cost alternative restorative service. This cost will be covered within the current \$2,000 per person per calendar year maximum benefit; and
- 3. Prescription medication (such as Viagra) for treatment of erectile dysfunction will be covered under the Prescription Drug benefit.

As always, the basis of payment for all benefits covered by this Plan is that the expense incurred is reasonable and customary in the circumstances and always that the expense incurred was medically necessary. You are invited to contact the Administration Office if you have any questions about whether an expense you are about to incur will be covered by the Plan.

New booklets for the Health & Welfare Plan and the Pension Plan are in the final stages of review and will be distributed in the second half of 2007 as well as posted on the Plans' website.

Best wishes to all Members and their families for a safe and enjoyable summer.

Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees

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