



Message to Members of TWPP

The current state of the financial markets, and the huge day-to-day swings in the stock indices, will no doubt cause members to ask about the security of their pensions.

The TWPP, as you may be aware, has adopted an investment strategy which matches the assets and liabilities of the Plan in terms of duration and cash flow. Consequently, the Plan's investments are in assets which have continued to provide excellent protection for the benefits promised by the Plan. Most of the Plan's assets are in fixed income investments, such as Canadian and Provincial Government bonds, high quality corporate bonds and mortgages. The Plan also has investments in income producing real estate, such as Concert Properties, hedge funds and equities. The Plan's exposure to equities is very small at less than 1% of the total portfolio.

The Plan's investment strategy is designed to ensure that the Plan's benefits can be provided with a high degree of certainty. Annual actuarial valuations and asset / liability modeling analyses are performed to determine if adjustments to the investment strategy are required. In between annual reviews, the Plan's professional advisors monitor the performance of the assets, and provide regular updates to the Board of Trustees. This ensures that the Plan continues to meet its goals and provides the promised pension benefits to the Plan members and their families.

At their September meeting the Trustees, after reviewing the results of the most recent actuarial valuation of the plan, voted to approve the earnings update for the active members at January 1, 2009.

Sincerely,
Trustees of the Telecommunication Workers Pension Plan

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