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Re: Office of D.C. Pensions Federal Benefits Corrections

Dear Messrs. O'Neil and Smith:

I am writing to follow up on recent correspondence regarding the corrections made by the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of D.C. Pensions (Treasury) to the retirement annuities of certain members of your associations under the District of Columbia Police Officers and Firefighters' Retirement Plan (the Plan). In my letters to you dated April 30, 2015 and April 8, 2016, I explained the basis under which Treasury has conducted benefit corrections.

After careful consideration, Treasury has adopted an age-of-error standard for past overpayments. Treasury estimates that application of the standard will have a favorable effect for most annuitants who had past overpayments that were otherwise subject to collection. Reviews of individual cases are currently underway to apply the standard. Affected annuitants will be informed of the outcome of this review, with letters expected to be sent in October and November 2016.

Sincerely,

Anita K. Blair
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and
Chief Human Capital Officer
U.S. Department of the Treasury