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TO: Participants in the Southwest Carpenters Health and Welfare Trust

FROM: Carpenters Southwest Administrative Corporation

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RE: Data Security Breaches at Anthem Blue Cross and Premera Blue Cross

You should know that *Anthem Blue Cross* experienced a data breach on January 29, 2015 and is offering free identity theft repair and credit monitoring services for 24 months to current and former members of an affected Anthem plan dating back to 2004. This includes current and former participants in the Southwest Carpenters Health and Welfare Trust who are or were enrolled in the Fee-for-Service medical option or have been enrolled in the Blue Cross PPO. *Anthem Blue Cross is mailing letters to anyone whose information may have been accessed during this attack.*

The information accessed may have included names, dates of birth, Social Security numbers, health care ID numbers, home addresses, email addresses, employment information, including income data. Please visit <https://www.anthemfacts.com> to learn more about this data breach. Anthem has also established a dedicated toll-free number that you can call with questions related to this incident. That number is 877-263-7995 or TTY/TDD 1-800-855-2880.

On March 18, 2015 *Premera Blue Cross* announced that it too was the victim of a cyber-attack. The breach is believed to affect several Premera brands including Premera Blue Cross, Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alaska, and its affiliate brands Vivacity and Connexion Insurance Solutions, Inc. The cyber breach on Premera could have an impact on you if you sought services in Alaska or Washington from a provider in the BlueCard network while enrolled in the Blue Cross PPO or in the Fee-for-Service medical option. *Premera is mailing letters to anyone whose information may have been accessed during this attack.*

Additional information regarding the cyber-attack on Premera Blue Cross and about how to access the free identity/credit protection services can be obtained at <http://premeraupdate.com> or by telephoning 1-800-768-5817, Monday through Friday, between 5:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Pacific Time (closed on U.S. observed holidays).

There is no evidence that any personal information maintained within the computerized data base of the Carpenters Southwest Administrative Corporation was impacted by the cyberattack on Anthem and Premera Blue Cross. If you have any questions, you may call the Fund's Administrative Office at (800) 293-1370.