# § 1382. Determination and collection of liability; notification of employer

When an employer withdraws from a multiemployer plan, the plan sponsor, in accordance with this part, shall—

- (1) determine the amount of the employer's withdrawal liability.
- (2) notify the employer of the amount of the withdrawal liability, and
- (3) collect the amount of the withdrawal liability from the employer.

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## § 1383. Complete withdrawal

### (a) Determinative factors

For purposes of this part, a complete with-drawal from a multiemployer plan occurs when an employer—

- (1) permanently ceases to have an obligation to contribute under the plan, or
- (2) permanently ceases all covered operations under the plan.

# (b) Building and construction industry

- (1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, in the case of an employer that has an obligation to contribute under a plan for work performed in the building and construction industry, a complete withdrawal occurs only as described in paragraph (2), if—
  - (A) substantially all the employees with respect to whom the employer has an obligation to contribute under the plan perform work in the building and construction industry, and
    - (B) the plan-
    - (i) primarily covers employees in the building and construction industry, or
    - (ii) is amended to provide that this subsection applies to employers described in this paragraph.
- (2) A withdrawal occurs under this paragraph if—
  - (A) an employer ceases to have an obligation to contribute under the plan, and
    - (B) the employer-
    - (i) continues to perform work in the jurisdiction of the collective bargaining agreement of the type for which contributions were previously required, or
    - (ii) resumes such work within 5 years after the date on which the obligation to contribute under the plan ceases, and does not renew the obligation at the time of the resumption.
- (3) In the case of a plan terminated by mass withdrawal (within the meaning of section 1341a(a)(2) of this title), paragraph (2) shall be applied by substituting "3 years" for "5 years" in subparagraph (B)(ii).

# (c) Entertainment industry

(1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, in the case of an employer that has an obligation to contribute under a plan for work performed in the entertainment industry, primarily on a temporary or project-by-project basis, if the plan primarily covers employees in the en-

tertainment industry, a complete withdrawal occurs only as described in subsection (b)(2) of this section applied by substituting "plan" for "collective bargaining agreement" in subparagraph (B)(i) thereof.

- (2) For purposes of this subsection, the term "entertainment industry" means—
  - (A) theater, motion picture (except to the extent provided in regulations prescribed by the corporation), radio, television, sound or visual recording, music, and dance, and
- (B) such other entertainment activities as the corporation may determine to be appropriate.
- (3) The corporation may by regulation exclude a group or class of employers described in the preceding sentence from the application of this subsection if the corporation determines that such exclusion is necessary—
  - (A) to protect the interest of the plan's participants and beneficiaries, or
  - (B) to prevent a significant risk of loss to the corporation with respect to the plan.
- (4) A plan may be amended to provide that this subsection shall not apply to a group or class of employers under the plan.

#### (d) Other determinative factors

- (1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, in the case of an employer who—
  - (A) has an obligation to contribute under a plan described in paragraph (2) primarily for work described in such paragraph, and
  - (B) does not continue to perform work within the jurisdiction of the plan,
- a complete withdrawal occurs only as described in paragraph (3).
- (2) A plan is described in this paragraph if substantially all of the contributions required under the plan are made by employers primarily engaged in the long and short haul trucking industry, the household goods moving industry, or the public warehousing industry.
- (3) A withdrawal occurs under this paragraph
- (A) an employer permanently ceases to have an obligation to contribute under the plan or permanently ceases all covered operations under the plan, and
  - (B) either-
  - (i) the corporation determines that the plan has suffered substantial damage to its contribution base as a result of such cessation, or
- (ii) the employer fails to furnish a bond issued by a corporate surety company that is an acceptable surety for purposes of section 1112 of this title, or an amount held in escrow by a bank or similar financial institution satisfactory to the plan, in an amount equal to 50 percent of the withdrawal liability of the employer.
- (4) If, after an employer furnishes a bond or escrow to a plan under paragraph (3)(B)(ii), the corporation determines that the cessation of the employer's obligation to contribute under the plan (considered together with any cessations by other employers), or cessation of covered operations under the plan, has resulted in substantial damage to the contribution base of the plan,