The Pension Protection Act of 2006 requires sponsors of defined benefit pension plans, such as the Pension Plan of The Chubb Corporation (the "Plan"), to provide plan participants with certain information about the funded status of the Plan. The attached "Annual Funding Notice for the Pension Plan of The Chubb Corporation" (the "Notice") is intended to meet this requirement. Before reading the Notice, it's helpful for you to have some explanation of the information it includes.

This notice reflects final Department of Labor regulations dated February 2, 2015. As a result, this year's format is slightly different than the format previously used. The purpose of this cover memo is to provide additional or explanatory information, but not to contradict anything contained in the Notice.

Understanding the Annual Funding Notice

Defined benefit plans are designed to provide plan participants with a benefit at retirement based on the plan's formula. In order to ensure sufficient funds exist to pay for these future retirement benefits, Chubb makes contributions to a trust fund and that money is set aside for Plan benefits and invested based on established investment guidelines. The Plan's funding policy is outlined in the attached Notice. The timing of contributions is determined by federal guidelines and based on a review made by outside actuaries who look at both how much is in the trust (assets) and future obligations for benefits (liabilities).

The asset and liability measures used by our outside actuaries to determine Chubb's annual contribution to the Plan for 2012, 2013 and 2014 are summarized in the "How Well Funded is Your Plan" section on page 1 of the Notice. These values are as of January 1 of the respective years.

The "Funding Target Attainment Percentage" shown in the table on page 1 of the Notice is the ratio of (1) net Plan assets divided by (2) Plan liabilities. The net Plan assets are equal to the actuarial value of assets minus the credit balance. A credit balance arises when a company contributes more to the plan than the amount required by Federal law. Because Chubb has contributed more than the required amount for many years, the Plan has a credit balance. The Funding Target Attainment Percentage is a measure of the Plan's funded status, excluding from Plan assets contributions in excess of the required contributions (and interest or investment gains or losses on these contributions). This would roughly be the Plan's funded status if Chubb always made the minimum required contribution.

On page 2 of the Notice, you'll see the "Year-End Assets and Liabilities" section. This section shows Plan assets and estimated liabilities at December 31, 2014. This is a different measure of the Plan's funded status. For this measure, the credit balance is not subtracted from Plan assets, in accordance with the US Department of Labor's guidance.

The value of the Plan's assets increased during 2014 due to investment gains experienced during the year and contributions made to the Plan during 2014. The value of the Plan's liabilities increased during 2014. This increase was due to a decrease in the interest rate used to determine the liabilities and due to additional benefits earned by Plan participants.

If you have any questions about the Notice or your Plan benefits, you can contact The Chubb Pension and Retirement Service Center at 1-800-964-0478 or www.ibenefitcenter.com/chubbpension.

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