

#### **IMPORTANT YEAR-END REMINDERS/INFORMATION**

Employee W-2's provide Federal and state government information about gross wages paid and taxes withheld. Important additional information, if it applies, should also appear on employee W-2's. Please review this letter for items that pertain to your business/organization, and return the appropriate forms/information to AccuPay prior to December 15, 2017 or your last payroll of 2017 – whichever comes first. (Any additional forms needed may be downloaded at <a href="www.accupay.com">www.accupay.com</a> under Resources/Forms.) \*Additional fees WILL be charged for adjustments needed after your last payroll of 2017.

- **Personal Use of Company Vehicle** Please return the "personal use of company vehicle" questionnaire for every employee who was provided use of an employer-vehicle during 2017 (forms available online);
- **Employer Paid Health Insurance** If you issued at least 250 W-2's for 2016, and pay a portion of your employees' health insurance, please provide us with the total amounts of health insurance premiums paid by employee for 2017 (We need the combined premiums paid by both the employer and employee.)
- Qualified Small Employer Health Reimbursement Accounts Please provide total amounts offered and reimbursed for each applicable employee. The 2017 W-2 includes a new code in box 12 (FF) to report the total amount of permitted benefits.
- Third-Party Sick Pay Please provide us with amounts of sickness or injury (disability) payments paid to your employees by third party agents (i.e. insurance companies) during 2017 (Your insurance company should provide you with statements that may be forwarded to AccuPay for processing.) Please only send amounts that have not already been processed by AccuPay throughout the year;
- **HSA Contributions** Please provide us with the 2017 amounts of Health Saving Account (HSA) contributions **you paid** to your employee HSA accounts which were **not processed through payroll**. (AccuPay will have any pre-tax employee contributions in your payroll records.);
- **Group-Term Life Insurance** Please provide us with year 2017 group-term life insurance coverage data for employees with policy values over \$50,000 (**Complete Form A attached**);
- S-Corp 2% Shareholder Health Insurance If you are an "S" corporation, please provide us with amounts of health and long-term care insurance premiums paid in 2017 on behalf of 2%-or-more shareholder employees. (Complete Form B attached);
- **Retirement Plan Information** Please provide us with retirement plan information for years 2017 and 2018. (Complete Form C attached).

AccuPay will provide you with a W-2 Verification Report either in your payroll packet or electronically. Please review carefully and let us know of any changes/updates by December 15, 2017 or your last payroll of the year – whichever comes first. Also, if you plan to do a bonus or holiday pay run, please schedule two weeks in advance with your processor to ensure we can meet your deadline.

As a reminder, AccuPay does provide **ACA reporting services** for employers with 50 or more full-time equivalent employees. If you would like AccuPay to complete your ACA reporting, and we did NOT complete your reporting for 2016, you must enroll in our ACA Comply service. Contact us at aca@accupay.com or 317-885-7600 for more information.

A smooth year-end is a "team" effort between AccuPay and your company. As always, we appreciate you as a client and thank you in advance for your assistance! Please call any of our CPP's or CPA's at 317-885-7600 if you have questions as you compile this information.

Happy Holidays! Accupay, Inc.

# Taxable Amount of Group-Term Life Insurance Coverage To Include in Employee's Income For 2017 (Not applicable to 2% or more "S" corporation shareholder-employees)

Em	ployee Name	
Em	aployee's Age as of 12/31/17 (or date of birth)	
1.	Life insurance coverage amount provided to employee during 2017	\$
2.	Less nontaxable coverage	(50,000)
3.	Taxable coverage (if zero or less, STOP - no taxable income to employee)	\$
4.	Divide Line 3 by $$1,000$ to the nearest tenth of $$1,000$ (i.e., $$75,250$ rounds to $75.3$ )	
5.	Cost per \$1,000 of coverage for 1 month (See IRS table below based on employee's age at 12/31/17)	\$
6.	Multiply Line 4 x Line 5 to determine monthly cost of excess coverage over \$50,000	\$
7.	Number of months the employee had this level of coverage in 2017	
8.	Year 2017 cost of excess coverage over \$50,000 - multiply Line 6 x Line 7	
9.	Less amount employee paid for coverage with after-tax dollars	()
10.	Taxable cost of excess group-term life insurance coverage in 2017 – Line 8 Less Line 9	\$ *

\*This amount is taxable income to the employee on Form W-2 and is subject to FICA and Medicare taxes (both employee withholding and the employer match). No income tax withholding is required. Additionally, this amount is not subject to federal or state unemployment taxes.

5-Year Age Bracket	Cost per \$1,000 for One Month
Under 25	\$0.05
25-29	.06
30-34	.08
35-39	.09
40-44	.10
45-49	.15
50-54	.23
55-59	.43
60-64	.66
65-69	1.27
70 and above	2.06

Important Note - Please provide us this information before your last payroll of 2017 so we can withhold the appropriate taxes for this year.

## "S" Corporation Employers Issues Affecting Your 2% or More Shareholder-Employees for 2017

An "S" corporation's cost of health or long-term care insurance premiums paid on behalf of its 2% or more shareholder-employees is treated as Form W-2 taxable income to the 2% or more shareholder-employees (Note - it's tax-deductible as compensation to the "S" corporation). Recent IRS announcements require that the "S" corporation either directly pay the insurance premiums or reimburse the shareholder-employee for personally paid premiums, in order to save income taxes by deducting the health insurance premiums. The insurance amounts will be "W-2 reported" as wages subject to income tax but not subject to FICA/Medicare taxes.

If your Company provided health or long-term care insurance coverage to employees who also owned 2% or more of your stock in 2017, please complete the following information and submit it to us as soon as possible for payroll processing:

	"S" Corporation Insurance Premiums Paid During 2017	
Name of 2% or More Shareholder-Employee	Health, Dental, Vision, Medicare Insurance Premiums	Long-Term Care Insurance Premiums

Important Note - Please provide us this information BEFORE your last payroll of 2017 so we can prepare accurate shareholder-employee W-2 forms. \*\*\*Additional fees will be applied if information is provided after 12/30/2017.

ADVISORY NOTE: Make sure all 2017 health insurance premiums (including Medicare premiums paid from social security benefits) are paid/reimbursed by 12/31/17.

### **Employer Retirement Plan Information For Calendar Year 2017**

#### Planning For 2018 Funding By Employees

Form W-2 requires that we check certain boxes to identify which of your employees were "active participants" in retirement plans during 2017. "Active participation" implies that an employee received an economic benefit (contributions, plan allocations, etc.) from a retirement plan during 2017. Accurate presentation of this information is important since it affects your employees' eligibility for tax-deductible IRA's on their 2017 personal income tax returns. Review your 2017 W-2 Verification Report to see if employees are classified correctly and notify AccuPay of any changes.

Please check all of the following types of retirement plans you sponsored during 2017 which included employer contributions for the benefit of employees:

Defined benefit or cash balance pension plan with calculations made by an actuary;
SEP-IRA plan;
Profit-Sharing plan;
Money Purchase Pension Plan;
SIMPLE plan which involved employer contributions;
SARSEP plan which involved employer contributions;
401(K) plan which involved employer contributions;
403(b) plan which involved employer contributions.

NOTE - Provide us a listing of all employees for whom your company made 2017 employer contributions or who otherwise benefited from a retirement plan during 2017 (i.e., perhaps their only benefit was an allocation of 2017 retirement plan income). We will check boxes for only those employees who "actively participated" in retirement plans during 2017.

### IMPORTANT! PLANNING FOR 2018 FUNDING BY EMPLOYEES

Please let us know which employees you want us to calculate and withhold the maximum 2018 retirement plan funding for any of the following plans:

	MAXIMUM 2018 EMPLOYEE FUNDING	
Type of Plan	Under Age 50	At Least 50 by 12/31/18
401(k) and 403(b) retirement plans	\$ 18,500	\$ 24,500
SIMPLE-IRA retirement plan	\$ 12,500	\$ 15,500