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date of hire was June 17, 1990. The listing also indicates that your employment ended on May 29, 1992, and that you were not vested in a \$53.39 monthly accrued benefit.

The Appeals Board also reviewed your earnings report (Enclosure 4) from the Social Security Administration ("SSA") for the years 1978 through 1992.

Based on Enclosures 1 and 2, it appears that you might have quit working for PJS at the end of 1989 or in early 1990, and then were rehired sometime in 1990. Your SSA earnings report lends support to termination and rehire in 1990 because your SSA-reported earnings for 1990 were lower than your earnings in both 1989 and 1991. The Board found, however, that even if you did have a break in your employment with PJS during that period, the break was so short that your employment with PJS and related employers before the break (but not before April 1, 1986) would count as vesting service under the Plan and be added to your post-break service to determine your total vesting service under the Plan.

After reviewing Plan provisions, the Appeals Board found that regardless of whether you had a break in your continuous employment with PJS in late 1989 or early 1990, you more than satisfied the Plan's five-years-of-vesting-service requirement, and are entitled to a vested benefit under the Plan.

Decision

Having applied the law and Plan provisions to the facts in this case, the Appeals Board found that you are entitled to receive a vested pension benefit under the Plan.

PBGC's Insurance Operations Department will send you a new benefit determination to reflect the change in your vested status and inform you of the amount of your pension benefit. Your new determination will contain a 45-day right to appeal.

Meanwhile, if you have any additional questions, please contact PBGC's Customer Service Center at 1-800-400-7242.

Sincerely,



Michel Louis
Appeals Board Member

Enclosures (4)