

These are the emails we have received since the last posting along with our answers to them. When we update the emails, the old ones are transferred to "emails" which is under the "NEWS" button at the top of the home page.

Contact Question –

Just a short note of thanks for your combined efforts on behalf of the retired Delta pilots. My \$500 check is "in the mail". I realize this may be a long shot, but I will support any effort to protect what we have earned. It's the right thing to do.

DP3 Answer:

Thanks for your continuing support and your willingness to put your name in the hat. Long shot or not, we won't quit on this stuff. We will do everything in our power to protect every retired Delta pilot the best we can.

Contact Question –

I retired on 9/1. I joined DP3 on 9/23 (\$650). Any chance of keeping a permanent post on your website of the total number of retired pilots (updated monthly), the total amount of pension liability for pilots already retired, the sub-totals of qualified and non-qualified amounts owed those pilots, the unfunded amount of pilot pensions, the total number of Delta employees currently retired, the amount owed those employees (sub-totaled by qualified and unqualified pensions), and the unfunded amount owed those retirees? Some hard facts such as described above would help to put things in perspective. Also, there seems to be conflicting info re the lump sum payouts for 9/1 retirees. One take is that all 9/1 retirees will get lumps, another is that only enough 9/1 retirees needed to trigger a liquidity shortfall will get lump sum payouts. What is your take? Thanks for your help.

DP3 Answer:

Good ideas on the numbers of numbers, however we don't have any numbers like that. The company and ALPA won't tell us. As for the 9/1 lump sum payments, I have heard both views but have not heard back from anyone who did not receive the money. I am sure we will if they stop the payments mid-list and some do and some don't. As we have seen, anything is possible and there should be no surprises about what Delta might decide to do.

Thanks so much for your support of DP3. As you know, win or lose we are the only line of defense left between retired pilots and whatever Delta decides to do. We need everyone pulling together on this one.

Contact Question –

I wanted to thank you again for your prompt response to my pleadings in agony. I plan on becoming a member when the house is sold, but it looks as though we are being torpedoed by Continental. It seems that we have no friends anywhere. I guess that's why we have to fend for ourselves. Thanks again.

DP3 Answer:

Unfortunately DP3 can't wait until your house is sold to hire attorneys to represent YOUR benefits. We have to deal with the situation as it develops. Everyone must prioritize where their dollars will be spent, but many of your fellow retirees realize the importance of financing the fight to save our benefits and are willing to support this effort. Hopefully, you can find a place in your budget to help. DP3 trustees have contributed the same amount that we are asking our members to donate and we have spent countless hours working on YOUR behalf.

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The membership fee to join DP3 is approximately the cost of medical insurance for one month if our medical plans are terminated. You need to consider what is at stake and participate in saving these benefits.

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