



Summary Plan Description

NOTICE AND SEVERANCE PAY

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PURPOSE

The Occidental Petroleum Corporation Notice and Severance Pay Plan (Plan) provides severance and other benefits to lessen the economic impact resulting from loss of your job and termination of employment.

ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible to participate in the Plan if you are a regular, full-time, nonbargaining hourly or salaried employee of Occidental Petroleum Corporation or an affiliated company (Oxy). For this purpose, “affiliated company” means any company in which 80 percent or more of the equity interest is owned by Occidental Petroleum Corporation. Temporary employees and employees of Tidelands Oil Production Company are not eligible to participate. You are considered a full-time employee under the Plan if you are regularly scheduled to work at least 30 hours per week. Generally, you are eligible to participate if you are paid on a U.S. dollar payroll, are designated as eligible to participate by your employer, and do not participate in a similar type of employer-sponsored plan. If you are part of a collective bargaining group, you are eligible to participate in the Plan only if your negotiated bargaining agreement specifically provides for your participation.

In addition to the above, your job must be either eliminated or relocated and one of the following must occur:

- you are not offered continued employment by Oxy; or
- you are offered continued employment by Oxy at a lower Base Pay, and you reject the offer.

You are not eligible for the severance and other benefits described in the Plan if any of the exclusions listed below apply to you. Also, you must continue to be a regular, full-time employee in good standing until released by Oxy from reporting to work in order to receive severance and other benefits under the Plan.

Exclusions

You are not eligible for the severance and other benefits described in the Plan if:

- as a result of the sale of a facility, merger, spin-off, or any other transfer of any unit, operation, or business of Oxy, you become employed by or you are offered employment by the receiving entity;
- you have entered into a written agreement with Oxy or its predecessors which (1) waives eligibility for benefits under the Plan, or (2) provides for any form of separation payments or benefits (except where the written agreement provides for payments under this Plan);

- you are entitled to payments under another severance plan or other arrangement provided by Oxy or a predecessor company, including, but not limited to, an acquired entity, whether or not the payments have begun;
- you are currently assigned to a U.S. location and offered continued employment which Oxy determines, in its discretion, requires relocation of your residence, and you (i) reject the offer, unless the relocation is determined to be part of a special corporate event, or (ii) accept the offer of continued employment and relocation and later rescind your acceptance; or
- you are offered and accept employment with any Oxy entity which grants credit for Oxy service under that entity's benefit plans; or
- you are an expatriate employee currently on resident or rotational assignment in a foreign location (Expatriate) and you are offered continued employment at a U.S. location which requires relocation of your residence and you decline the offer.

BENEFITS UNDER THE PLAN

Eligible employees may elect either Option A or Option B, below, subject to the applicable conditions:

Option A

If you sign and deliver to Oxy a Separation Agreement And General Release in such form as Oxy may determine from time to time (Separation Agreement), consistent with the time periods specified in the Separation Agreement, and do not revoke the Separation Agreement, you will receive the following:

- **Notice:** At the discretion of Oxy, you may be released from reporting to work either immediately or at any time during your Notice. For purposes of this Plan, your Notice is the two-month period following written notification that your employment will end. Where applicable, this two-month Notice is provided to fulfill the notice obligation required under the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act (the WARN Act). Employees not covered by the WARN Act will be provided with the same two-month Notice. If you are an Expatriate, you will receive four (4) months of Notice. You will continue to receive Base Pay during your Notice, even if you are released before the end of your Notice.
- **Severance:** Immediately following Notice your Base Pay will continue for a specified period based on your job grade and the length of your Oxy service through the end of your Notice (Severance). Severance will be according to the Option A: Notice and Severance Pay Schedule, except that employees in jobs classified as exempt* grades 26 and above will be eligible for ten months of Severance, regardless of length of service. Additionally, if you previously separated from service with Oxy and received benefits pursuant to a severance plan, program or arrangement (such as this Notice and Severance Pay Plan, a voluntary separation or retirement plan, a separation agreement or other similar arrangement) as a result of that separation, your length of Oxy service will be based on your latest date of re-hire. In other words, you will not be entitled to additional severance pay on service for which you have already received a severance benefit.

For the purpose of determining your Severance, where applicable, a partial year of service will be rounded up to a full year. Your Severance will be paid on your regular payroll dates.

- **Compensation and Benefit Plans:** Your participation in Oxy's compensation and benefit plans and programs will continue during your Notice, subject to the terms of each applicable plan and program. You will be paid for any banked vacation and vacation earned but not taken as of the end of your Notice. However, even if you begin to receive benefits under an Oxy short-term disability plan or program, it will not change your Notice or extend your period of employment.

* For purposes of this document, "exempt" means exempt under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Provided that you have never been a “covered employee” under Internal Revenue Code section 162(m), in exchange for agreeing to forfeit any applicable long-term incentive awards, you will receive, as soon as administratively practicable following your separation from service, a lump sum amount equal to the target value of the prorated award that would otherwise have remained payable to you under any applicable long-term incentive plan or agreement for which the end of the performance period has not been reached and payment of the award is dependent on attainment of a performance goal. Payment of awards for which the end of the performance period has been reached, or for which payment is not dependent on attainment of a performance goal will be paid according to the applicable long-term incentive plan or agreement. If you have ever been a “covered employee,” then you will be paid pursuant to the terms of the applicable long-term incentive awards.

Except as otherwise may be specifically indicated in the Plan, coverage, contributions and participation in all Oxy compensation and benefit plans, except medical and dental, will cease at the end of your Notice. Medical (or retiree medical) and dental (or retiree dental) coverage will continue to be available for the duration of any Severance. Disposition of benefits under other compensation and/or benefit plans will be according to the applicable plan provisions.

- **Retiree Medical and Dental Coverage:**

Immediate Coverage: Under the terms of the Oxy Retiree Medical and Retiree Dental Plans, you are immediately eligible for retiree medical and dental coverage if, generally, you retire directly from service on or after age 55 with 10 years of eligible service.*

Future Coverage: Under this Option A, you may become eligible for the retiree coverage available under the Oxy Retiree Medical and Dental Plans when you reach age 55, if on the last day of your Severance you (i) are enrolled in medical and dental coverage under an Oxy-sponsored medical and/or dental plan option (or are covered under your spouse’s plan or another group medical and/or dental plan on your last day of Severance), and (ii) meet one of the following criteria:

- you have at least 30 years of eligible service*, or
- you are at least age 50 and have at least 5 years of eligible service,* with combined age and eligible service of 65 years or more.

To determine your eligibility for immediate or future coverage, calculate your combined age and service by adding your years and months of age and eligible service as of the last day of your Severance, counting any partial month of age or service as a whole month.

* If you became an Oxy employee due to Oxy's purchase, merger or transfer of any unit, operation or business and, as a result, your eligibility for retiree coverage under the Oxy Retiree Medical and Dental Plans is subject to a required minimum number of service years directly with Oxy, you must meet such minimum by the end of Severance to qualify for retiree medical coverage.

Example 1: Eligible for Retiree Medical and Retiree Dental by counting a partial month of service as a full month.

Date of Birth	1/15/1960	Age at end of severance is 56
Service Date	6/15/2006	Service at end of severance is 10 years <i>*Counting June 2016 as a full month of service</i>
End of Severance	6/3/2016	

Example 2: Eligible for Retiree Medical and Retiree Dental by counting a partial month of age as a full month.

Date of Birth	6/15/1961	Age at end of severance is 55 <i>*Counting June 2016 as a full month in calculating age</i>
Service Date	1/15/2000	Service at end of severance is 15 years
End of Severance	6/3/2016	

Note: This calculation for determining your eligibility for Retiree Medical and Retiree Dental is different from calculating your months of Notice and Severance.

In addition, if you elect this Option A and you meet the requirements for retiree medical coverage at the end of your Severance, for the purpose of calculating your contributions for retiree medical coverage you will be considered to have combined age and service of at least 80 years. You therefore will pay the lowest multiple of the retiree base rate for your elected level of coverage. Retiree dental coverage is not subsidized by Oxy, so retirees pay the full cost of coverage.

Retiree medical coverage will be provided under the Oxy Retiree Medical Plan and Retiree dental coverage will be provided under the Oxy Retiree Dental Plan as in effect at the time you enroll for coverage, and will be subject to the terms and conditions covering the plans, including Oxy's right to modify, amend, change or terminate the plans at any time.

If you are an Expatriate, Plan payments will be reduced by any payments received, or required by law, agreement or otherwise arising out of employment or assignment in any host country.

While you are receiving Severance, if you accept employment with Oxy or with the new employer, owner, operator or purchaser of a sold or transferred business or operation, all Plan payments and benefit plan participation will stop.

Also, in the event that Plan payments contravene Internal Revenue Code section 409A, relating to inclusion in gross income of deferred compensation, or any other applicable law or Internal Revenue Code provision, Plan payments will stop.

Tax withholding and other applicable deductions will be made from all Plan payments.

Option A: Notice and Severance Pay Schedule

<u>Years of Oxy Service</u>	<u>Notice</u>	<u>Severance</u>
0-3 years	2.0 months*	1.0 months
4	2.0	1.5
5	2.0	2.0
6	2.0	2.5
7	2.0	3.0
8	2.0	3.5
9	2.0	4.0
10	2.0	4.5
11	2.0	5.0
12	2.0	5.5
13	2.0	6.0
14	2.0	6.5
15	2.0	7.0
16	2.0	7.5
17	2.0	8.0
18	2.0	8.5
19	2.0	9.0
20 or more	2.0	10.0

* Minimum of 60 days. Expatriates will receive a minimum of 120 days.

Option B

If you do not enter into a Separation Agreement, you will not receive the special separation benefits described in Option A, above. Instead, you will receive the following:

- **Notice:** At the discretion of Oxy, you may be released from reporting to work either immediately or at any time during your Notice. For purposes of this Plan, your Notice is the two-month period following written notification that your employment will end. Where applicable, this two-month Notice is provided to fulfill the notice obligation required under the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act (the WARN Act). Employees not covered by the WARN Act will be provided with the same two-month Notice even though it is not legally required. If you are an Expatriate, you will receive four (4) months of Notice. You will continue to receive Base Pay during your Notice, even if you are released before the end of your Notice.
- **Compensation and Benefit Plans:** Your participation in Oxy's compensation and benefit plans and programs will continue during Notice, subject to the terms of each applicable plan and program. However, receipt of benefits under an Oxy short-term disability plan or program will not change your Notice or extend your period of employment.

You will receive no Severance or associated benefit coverage. All of your compensation and benefits will cease at the end of your Notice. Disposition of benefits under compensation and/or benefit plans will be according to the applicable plan provisions.

CLAIMS PROCEDURE

Generally, an employee who is eligible to receive benefits under this Plan does not have to file a claim for such benefits. If you believe that you did not receive a benefit to which you are entitled, you may file a written claim with the Plan sponsor at the following address stating all of the facts on which your claim is based:

Attention: Plan Sponsor, Notice and Severance Pay Plan
Occidental Petroleum Corporation
5 Greenway Plaza
Suite 200
Houston, TX 77046
(713) 215-7000

Within 60 days following receipt of your claim, the Plan sponsor will:

- request any additional information needed to make a decision regarding the claim;
- pay benefits provided by the Plan; or
- send notification to you of a decision to deny the claim in whole or in part.

If additional information is requested or required in order to make a decision regarding your claim, you will have 60 days from the date you receive such a request to provide the information. The Plan sponsor's decision to pay benefits or deny your claim in whole or in part will be postponed to allow you to respond to the request. If you do not provide the information within 60 days after you receive the request, your claim will be denied unless you have requested and been granted additional time to provide the information.

If the Plan sponsor denies your claim in whole or in part, you will receive written notice of the denial within 60 days from the date any requested additional information was received. The notice will provide the following:

- the specific reasons for the denial of the claim (including the facts upon which the denial is based) and reference to any pertinent Plan provisions on which the denial is based;
- if applicable, a description of any additional material or information necessary for you to perfect the claim and an explanation of why such material is necessary; and
- an explanation of the claims review appeal procedure including the name and address of the person or committee to whom your appeal should be directed.

Within 60 days after you receive the notice of denial from the Plan sponsor, you may request a review of your claim by the Occidental Petroleum Corporation Employee Benefits Committee (Committee). Your request must be in writing and must state the reason or reasons why you believe your claim should not have been denied. You should also include with your written

request for an appeal any and all documents, materials, or other evidence which you believe supports your claim for benefits. Your request should be addressed to the Committee at the address of the Plan sponsor.

Generally, the Committee will give you written notice of its decision within 60 days of the date your request for review was received by the Committee. However, if the Committee finds that special circumstances exist, its decision may be given to you more than 60 days after the date your request was received, but not later than 120 days after such date. The Committee's notice of its decision will include specific reasons for its decision and specific references to the provisions of the Plan on which its decision is based. The decision of the Committee shall be final, conclusive, and binding on all employees, participants, and beneficiaries.

Legal Proceedings

Unless prohibited by applicable law, no legal action may be commenced prior to the completion of the benefits claims procedure described in this Summary Plan Description. In addition, no legal action may be commenced after the later of: (i) 180 days after receiving a written response of the Plan Administrator to an appeal or (ii) 365 days after the date the claimant was terminated.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Your Rights as a Plan Participant

As a participant in this Plan, you are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as follows:

Receive Information About Your Plan and Benefits

- Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations, all documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) that is filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.
- Obtain, upon written request to the Plan Administrator, copies of all documents governing the operation of the Plan, including insurance contracts and the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series), and an updated summary plan description. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.
- Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

Prudent Action by Plan Fiduciaries

In addition to creating rights for Plan participants, ERISA imposes duties upon the people who are responsible for the operation of the employee benefit plan. The people who operate your Plan, called "fiduciaries" of the Plan, have a duty to do so prudently and in the interest of you and other Plan participants and beneficiaries.

No one, including your employer or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from obtaining a welfare benefit or exercising your rights under ERISA.

Enforce Your Rights

If your claim for a welfare benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you have a right to know why this was done, to obtain documents relating to the decision without charge and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules.

Under ERISA, there are steps you can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request materials from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, you may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay up to \$110 a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Plan Administrator.

If you have a claim for benefits that is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state or Federal court.

If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor or you may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If you are successful, the court may order the person you have sued to pay these costs and fees. If you lose, the court may order you to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds your claim is frivolous.

Help With Your Questions

If you have any questions about your Plan, you should contact the Plan Administrator. If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, or if you need assistance with obtaining documents from the Plan Administrator, you should contact:

- The nearest office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory; or
- Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries
Employee Benefits Security Administration
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20210

You may also obtain certain publications about your rights and responsibilities under ERISA by calling the publications.

Plan Documents

This benefit plan description summarizes the main features of the Plan, and is not intended to amend, modify, or expand the Plan provisions. In all cases, the provisions of the Plan document and any applicable contracts control the administration and operation of the Plan. If a conflict exists between a statement in this summary and the provisions of the Plan document or any applicable contracts, the Plan document will govern.

Discretionary Authority of Plan Administrator

In accordance with sections 402 and 503 of Title I of ERISA, the Plan sponsor has designated a Named Fiduciary under the Plan, who has complete authority to review all denied claims for benefits under the Plan. The Plan Administrator has discretionary authority to determine who is eligible for coverage and to determine eligibility for benefits under the Plan. In exercising its fiduciary responsibilities, the Named Fiduciary shall have discretionary authority to determine whether and to what extent covered Plan participants are eligible for benefits, and to construe disputed or doubtful Plan terms. The Named Fiduciary shall be deemed to have properly exercised such authority unless it has abused its discretion hereunder by acting arbitrarily and capriciously.

No Guarantee of Employment

By adopting and maintaining the Occidental Petroleum Corporation Notice and Severance Pay Welfare Plan for certain eligible employees, Oxy has not entered into an employment contract with any employee. Nothing contained in the Plan documents or in this summary gives any employee the right to be employed by Oxy or to interfere with Oxy's right to discharge any employee at any time. Similarly, this Plan does not give Oxy the right to require any employee to remain employed by Oxy or to interfere with the employee's right to terminate employment with Oxy at any time.

Future of the Plan and Plan Amendment

Oxy expects and intends to continue the Plan, but does not guarantee any specific level of benefits or the continuation of any benefits during any periods of active employment, inactive employment, disability or retirement. Benefits are provided solely at Oxy's discretion. Oxy reserves the right, at any time or for any reason, through an action of the Executive Vice President of Human Resources of Occidental Petroleum Corporation, to suspend, withdraw, amend, modify, or terminate the Plan (including altering the amount you must pay for any benefit), in whole or in part. In the case of a material change in this description of the Plan, such action will be evidenced by a written announcement to affected individuals.

Plan Administration

The additional information in this section is provided to you in accordance with the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) regarding the Notice and Severance Pay Plan and the persons who have assumed responsibility for its operation.

Plan Name	Occidental Petroleum Corporation Welfare Plan (Notice and Severance Pay Component)
Employer Identification Number	95-4035997
Plan Number	591
Plan Administrative Services Provided by	Occidental Petroleum Corporation 5 Greenway Plaza Suite 200 Houston, TX 77046 (713) 215-7000
Plan Administrator	Occidental Petroleum Corporation Employee Benefits Committee
Plan Sponsor and Address for Legal Process	Occidental Petroleum Corporation 5 Greenway Plaza Suite 200 Houston, TX 77046 (713) 215-7000
Named Fiduciary	Occidental Petroleum Corporation Employee Benefits Committee
Plan Year Ends	December 31
Plan Type	ERISA Welfare Plan
Source of Funding	Oxy General Assets

GLOSSARY

Following are definitions of the capitalized terms and phrases used throughout this document.

Base Pay

For purposes of this Plan, base pay means regular base wages or salary, excluding overtime, bonuses, and all other types of compensation and special payments.

Plan

“Plan” means the Occidental Petroleum Corporation Welfare Plan, and as used in this Summary Plan Description, unless the context otherwise plainly requires, “Plan” further means the notice and severance pay benefits described here. Also, in this Summary Plan Description, “Plan” is used interchangeably with “Notice and Severance Pay Plan.”