Office Memorandum

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To: Agency Payroll and Human Resources Staff
From: Mary Muellner, Director, Statewide Payroll Services
Subject: Reminders for PPE 7/10/2018

Split Pay Period Lump Sum Payments
During most of the fiscal year, payments that don’t occur on a specific day, such as achievement awards, severance pay, or vacation payoffs can be entered in mass time entry on any day of the two-week pay period. However, during the split pay period each year (pay period ending 7/10/2018 this year), users should take care to enter such payments on a day in the appropriate fiscal year.

Payments entered in mass time entry on June 27 – 30 will post to Budget Fiscal Year (BFY) 2018. Payments entered on July 1 – 10 will post to BFY 2019. (Note: This does not apply to Trial Court Judges, Court of Appeal Judges and Superior Court Judges because their posting is based on different criteria.)

Floating Holiday for State Fiscal Year (FY) 2019
Eligible employees will be able to take their floating holiday for FY 2019 beginning on July 1. SEMA4 will add a floating holiday to the leave balances of eligible employees when leave accrual is run during the weekend of July 14, 2018.

The following resources will be available to assist agencies in determining that a FY 2019 floating holiday has been added correctly:
- Report FIHR2150, Employee Biweekly Leave Reporting (DocumentDirect/InfoPac ID HP2150), for pay period ending 7/10/2018 will be available on Monday, July 16, 2018.
- Report FIHR6440, Listing of Employees Who Have Not Used Floating Holiday (DocumentDirect/InfoPac ID HP6440), for pay period ending 6/12/2018 will list only those employees who have not used their floating holiday in the current state fiscal year, and must use it by June 30, 2018. This report will be available on Monday, June 18, 2018. (Beginning 7/17/2018, this report will change to identify those employees who have not used their floating holiday in the current calendar year, and must do so by December 31, 2018.)

Vacation Maximum
For most bargaining agreements and compensation plans, SEMA4 will reduce the vacation leave balance during leave accrual processing for the pay period ending 7/10/2018 for employees who did not reduce their vacation balance below the vacation maximum once during FY 2018. The system will reduce the beginning balance for pay period ending 7/10/2018 to reflect the vacation hours lost.

Agencies should notify employees that vacation leave reduction processing will happen with the 7/10/2018 pay period.
On Monday, July 16, 2018, report FIHR6511, Report of Employees Who Have Lost Vacation Leave (DocumentDirect/InfoPac ID HP6511), will be available. This report should be reviewed to make certain that employees who appear as losing leave, had their leave balances reduced appropriately. Pay particular attention to employees who may have:

- changed from a leave authority that requires a minimum at fiscal year end, to one that requires a minimum by calendar year end, or vice versa
- returned from military leave and had time restored
- used voluntary salary savings leave (LSS)

SEMA4 cannot identify employees who have been granted an extension on the maximum deadline by Minnesota Management & Budget, and will reduce the vacation balance regardless. **Agencies should make adjustments, if necessary, by using earn code *VL in mass time entry to add back the hours.** When the end of the extension period has been reached, agencies must reevaluate the employee’s leave activity history and use earn code *VL to reduce any vacation still over the maximum.

**FMLA**

**Positive** FMLA balances for FY 2018 will be reduced to zero effective June 30, 2018. For the pay period ending 7/10/2018, the program will process the reduction after subtracting the hours taken through June 30.

On Monday, July 16, 2018, report FIHR2150, Employee Biweekly Leave Reporting (DocumentDirect/InfoPac ID HP2150), will be available. This report should be reviewed to ensure FMLA balances were reduced appropriately. The system does not automatically adjust **negative** FMLA balances; therefore, agencies should also review the report to ensure there are no employees with a negative balance. **Agencies should make adjustments, if necessary, by using earn code *FM in mass time entry.**

**Questions?**

Agency Payroll and Human Resources staff should contact Lynda Hanly in Statewide Payroll Services at 651-201-8074 or lynda.hanly@state.mn.us if there are questions.

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