

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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Dear Employer:

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR 2010 TAX RATE

The trust fund VEC administers is funded by employer dollars. As the steward of your money the VEC strives to insure that benefit payments are accurate and appropriately billed; however, the recession has depleted the trust fund and additional charges are necessary to increase the solvency. These additional charges will be reflected in the taxes you pay for the quarter ending March 31, 2010 that is due on or before April 30.

For the calendar year 2010 every taxpaying employer has been assessed a fund building charge of .2% to be included in the final tax rate assignment. This charge is added whenever the solvency level of the trust fund from which unemployment benefits are paid falls below 50% as mandated by **Section 60.2-533** of the Virginia Unemployment Compensation Act.

A pool cost charge of 0.28% has also been included in the final rate assignment. The pool cost is defined in **Section 60.2-532** of the Virginia Unemployment Compensation Act; as a charge added to compensate for unemployment benefits paid that cannot be assigned to any specific employer.

Please see our website at http://www.vec.virginia.gov/, frequently asked questions, for additional information about employer tax rates.