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From: Multifamily Division

Subject: Social Security Benefits for 2009

The State office of the Social Security Administration has advised us that Social Security benefits will **increase 5.8 per cent** effective with checks received in January 2009. This change will also apply to Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

The Medicare premium will **remain at \$96.40** per month.

It will be necessary for Owners/Agents to obtain some verification directly from the Social Security recipient for the following:

- All Social Security benefits received by applicants; i.e. new admissions
- Initial receipt of Social Security benefits for an existing tenant.

Additional information is available from the Social Security Administration. Their website is located at www.ssa.gov.