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What to Expect in 2016

OFCCP, EEOC and Employment Law "Hot Topics"

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#### What's Coming Soon?

- OFCCP proposed revised scheduling letter
  - Comment period closed December 28, 2015
- No new scheduling letters until finalized?
- No new wave of CSALs until then?
- SWARM Region has "finished" all scheduling letters from 2015
- Lots of time for "deep dive" into open audits...

#### 2016 Is Here...What Can We Expect?

- What's Happening Now
  - Applicant/Hiring Adverse Impact Claims
    - The Rules are Changing
  - "Total Comp" Investigations During Audits
    - Comp Manager Interviews
    - OFCCP Extensive Requests for Pay and Related Data

### OFCCP Deep Dive: Hiring Adverse Impact

- OFCCP focusing on new and different areas of applicant and hiring adverse impact
- These areas include:
  - Inexorable Zero
  - Expressions of Interest
  - Sub-Minority Analyses
  - Year-Over-Year Underutilization

### Adverse Impact Pop Quiz

Analysis	Rate for Females	Rate for Males	Standard Deviation	Shortfall
1. Female v. Male	0/37	6/250	0.95	0
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# "Applicant" Definition What About Expressions of Interest?

Analysis	Rate for Rate for Females Males		Standard Deviation	Shortfall	
"Applicant"	2/60 .03	10/100 .10	1.55	2	
Including All Expressions of Interest	2/260 .01	10/300	2.09	3	

#### **Specific Race Analysis**

Analysis			Standard Deviation	Shortfall
Minority v. Non-Minority	9/100	1/100 .01	-2.60	4
Hispanic v. Black	8/20 .40	1/80 .01	5.47	6
Hispanic v. White	8/20 .40	1/100 .01	6.05	6
Hispanic v. Black + White	8/20 .40	2/180 .01	7.57	7

#### **Year Over Year Underutilization**

#### **Adverse Impact Analysis**

Analysis	Rate for Females	Rate for Males	Standard Deviation	Shortfall	
1. Female v. Male	2/16 .13	11/230 .05	-1.33	0	

#### **Last Year's Utilization**

Representation	Availability	Goal
Female 5%	Female 23%	Female 23%

#### **Year Over Year Underutilization**

#### **Total Placements: 2**

	Female	Male
New Hires	2	0

#### This Year's Utilization

Representation	Availability	Goal
Female 11%	Female 23%	Female 23%

#### **More Hot Button Topics**

- Staffing Agencies
  - Collecting & maintaining demographics?
  - Include in analyses?
  - EEOC's subpoena power to solicit data from third parties
- Increased focus on testing & validation
- 6 years of applicant data or more?
  - Frito-Lay case any precedential power?

#### **Key Takeaways**

- Analyzing applicant and hire adverse impact no longer simply about "2 standard devs"
- Must look at other "red flags" including:
  - Inexorable Zeroes
  - Reverse Discrimination
  - Small Shortfalls
  - Expressions of Interest
  - Sub-Minority Analyses
  - Year-Over-Year Underutilization
  - Testing & Validation



# OK, Let's Talk About Pay

#### What's Happening Now?

- California Fair Pay Act
- New York Achieve Pay Equity Act
- Growing trends in other states
- New Pay Transparency Rule
- Equal Pay Report what's happening?
- OFCCP Scheduling Letter Item 19
- Compensation Manager Interviews



#### Pay in Audits Today

# The New Scheduling Letter's Item 19:

From Base Comp to Total Comp

# Item 19 Detailed Pay Data On Total Comp

- Pay Data under the Old Letter:
  - "Item 11" of the Scheduling Letter
  - Summary base pay grouped as employer chose
- OFCCP had very few systemic pay cases
- This has all changed . . .

#### **Item 19 Requires**

- For each employee:
  - Base Salary/Wage Rate
  - Overtime
  - Bonuses
  - Commissions
  - Merit Increase
  - Incentive Pay

- Locality Pay
- Date of Hire
- Hours Worked
- Job Title
- EEO-1
- Job Group

#### **New Item 19 Submission**

Empl ID#	Job Title	Race	Gender	JG	Base Pay	DOH	Bonus	Merit Increase	Comm.	ОТ	Incentive Comp
87	Business Manager	1	M	2A	\$100,000	1/1/09	\$22,000	\$3,000	-	-	-
94	Business Manager	1	F	2A	\$100,000	4/1/02	\$6,000	\$3,000	-	-	-
80	Business Manager	3	F	2A	\$90,000	5/1/15	\$3,000	-	-	-	-
41	Sales Associate	1	M	4A	\$40,000	6/1/06	\$5,000	\$800	\$68,765	-	-
52	Sales Associate	2	M	4A	\$40,000	8/1/07	\$5,000	\$800	\$66,124	-	-
59	Sales Associate	4	F	4A	\$40,000	2/1/03	\$5,000	\$800	\$26,452	-	-
49	Sales Associate	1	F	4A	\$32,000	5/1/14	\$3,000	\$400	\$22,653	-	-
67	Sales Associate	3	F	4A	\$32,000	3/1/15	-	-	\$2,385	-	-
98	Driver	5	M	7A	\$62,400	8/1/01	\$800	\$1,040	-	\$14,040	\$9,000
58	Driver	1	F	7A	\$54,800	9/1/06	\$800	\$1,040	-	\$780	\$2,500

# Comp Manager Interview - The Hidden Danger

- Thoroughly Prepare conduct mock interview(s)
  - Identify and discuss factors affecting pay Note: not necessarily the default of "pay for performance"
  - Offer advantageous groupings so OFCCP gets there on its own
  - Minimize discretionary nature, maximize group decisions
- Treat it like a formal interview/deposition
  - Get Comp Mgr comfortable to say "I don't know" and "our comp system doesn't work that way"
  - Less is more Yes and no Qs should get yes or no answers see next slide

# Recent Compensation Request – Southeast Region

Compliance Officer Haile Hirpa spoke with you and and conducted an interview to discuss the variables that affect compensation and the information that has available to provide to OFCCP to help us better understand your compensation practices. Based on that conversation, for the next phase of our investigation, we are requesting that you provide the following information, for the employee workforce (non-bargaining unit employees), as of the specific date used for the salary analysis included in the Affirmative Action Plan.

- 1. Employee ID number;
- 2. First and last name;
- Gender:
- 4. Race/Ethnicity;
- 5. EEO-1 category;
- 6. Job Group;
- 7. Annual base salary rate for full-time employees;
- 8. Annual base salary rate or hourly wage part-time and reduced scheduled employees;
- 9. Total number of hours worked by full-time employees, part-time employees paid by hourly wage and reduced schedule employees;
- 10. Hire Date;
- 11. Time in Company;
- 12. Job Title;
- 13. Job Title Code:
- 14. Job Title Code Key;
- 15. Time in Position;
- 16. Salary Grade;
- 17. Salary Grade Entry Date;
- 18. Time in Grade;

- 19. Department;
- 20. Division Code;
- 21. Division Code Key
- 22. District Code,
- 23. District Code Key
- 24. Organizational Unit;
- 25. Work Location Code;
- 26. Work Location Key;
- 27. Bonus Pay (including profit sharing pay);
- 28. Bonus Pay Eligibility, Y/N;
- 29. Other compensation such as commission pay, consulting bonus, allowances, distributions, draws, origination credit, referral credit, supervision credit, productivity pay, shift differential pay, deferred pay (i.e. 401-K, retirement, etc.), non-deferred compensation (stock based pay, etc.), fringe benefits pay (i.e. holiday pay) and any other form of compensation. Report each allowance in separate data column and also add adjacent columns noting each employee's eligibility of each type of other pay with Y/N;
- 30. Total earnings for current data and as of December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2014 (reported in Box 5 of Form W-2) or income (reported on Schedule K-1);
- 31. Supplemental pay based on Project;
- 32. Supplemental pay based on Project eligibility (Y/N);
- 33. Results of three (3) last performance evaluations (in separate data columns for 2012, 2013, and 2014);
- 34. Part time vs. full-time status;
- 35. Exempt vs. Non-exempt Status;
- 36. Starting salary;
- 37. Highest Level of Education;
- 38. Specialty Degree (Y/N);
- 39. Specific skills and competencies that influence pay as applicable;

- 40. Certifications/License;
- 41. Please describe the market-based compensation system and provide the date of any salary adjustments made since March 1, 2012 based on the market system along with the employees affected. This can be done with a column in excel indicating those employees affected and the date of the salary adjustment made;
- 42. Prior relevant experience outside the company in years, if available;
- 43. Prior relevant experience within in years;
- 44. Prior relevant experience with affiliates in years, if available;
- 45. Job Family;
- 46. Job Family Levels/ Line of business;
- 47. Wage Code;
- 48. Wage Code key
- 49. Prior Salary;
- 50. Merit increase:
- 51. Merit increase eligibility, Y/N;
- 52, ESOP amount;
- 53. ESOP eligibility, Y/N
- 54. Overtime, straight time;

- 55. Overtime, straight time eligibility, Y/N;
- 56. Overtime, double;
- 57. Overtime double eligibility, Y/N;
- 58. Overtime premium;
- 59. Overtime premium eligibility, Y/N;
- 60. MIP Bonus;
- 61. MIP Bonus eligibility, Y/N;
- 62. PMIP payment;
- 63. PMIP payment eligible, Y/N;
- 64. BDIP payment;
- 65. BDIP payment eligibility, Y/N;
- 66. Retention bonus;
- 67. Retention bonus eligibility, Y/N;
- 68. Sign on payment;
- 69. Sign on payment eligibility, Y/N;
- 70. Spot Award;
- Spot Award eligibility, Y/N;
- 72. Shift Differential;
- 73. Shift Differential payment eligibility, Y/N;
- 74. Internal equity;
- 75. External Industry Market value; and
- 76. H1B Visa, Y/N.

We also request the following information (not to be included in database with items 1-76 above):

77. Please describe the unit performance factor and how it affects an individual bonus;

- 78. Please describe the personal performance factor and how it affects an individual bonus;
- Please provide documentation detailing actual performance goals to be achieved for payout (Company level, unit level, individual level);
- 80. How are individual goals set and approved?
- 81. How is individual goal performance evaluated, reviewed, and approved?
- 82. How is the final award determined, reviewed, and approved? (including any formulas for unit performance factor and personal performance factor);
- 83. What is the official company Plan Name of the compensation system at review periods?
- Please provide a copy of any formal Plan Document as approved by the Board of Directors;
- 85. Please provide all documentation on the minimum non-zero award amount for meeting minimum performance goals in the company;
- 86. Please provide all documentation on the maximum award amount for meeting maximum performance goals in the company;
- 87. Please provide any information and documentation on how any adjustments that might be made to the award (or have been made), e.g., proration for time in plan;
- 88. Please provide a list of any recent mergers or acquisitions and an indication of which employees came from such mergers or acquisitions;

- 89. Please provide any documentation on legacy incentive programs;
- 90. Please provide any documentation on self-audit during the prior AAP year (2014);
- 91. Please provide any documentation on H1B employees related to pay; and
- 92. Please provide any documentation explaining, overtime (straight time), overtime (double), overtime (premium), bonus MIP, BDIP payment, and PMIP payment.
- 93. Please include in your submission copies of any written compensation guidelines and policies used as of March 1, 2012 to explain the compensation system as well as the performance evaluation system.

We also request a data dictionary or legend defining all fields included in the data. For example, please provide a full explanation of all codes such as Department Codes, Unit Codes, etc. Provide any relevant compensation policies (e.g., compensation philosophy, salary bands, incentive/bonus policy, and/or ESOP plans). We also request copies of the latest self-audit/pay equity studies and salary surveys.

These items are critical pieces of data that OFCCP needs to evaluate further the compensation differences identified during the desk audit. Please submit the data electronically in Microsoft excel format. At this stage of the investigation, OFCCP's goal is to better understand this functional unit's compensation practices. Therefore, if any of the items requested above are not readily available, please contact us to discuss the specifics of the situation so that the best available and informative data is provided in a timely manner. OFCCP also encourages you to submit any additional information, data, or analyses that you believe are appropriate for OFCCP to consider in determining whether to investigate further. OFCCP will take information, data, and analyses into account when making determination as to whether further investigation is warranted.

#### **Privileged & Proactive Pay Analyses**

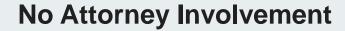
- In audits, OFCCP is asking for your proactive pay analyses and self audits, including those prepared by third-parties
- Must take steps in every pay analysis to establish privilege to protect the analyses from disclosure
- Are non-attorney statisticians doing your pay analyses?
  - If so, work with attorney to "cloak" the analyses in privilege

#### The Sliding Scale of Privilege

**Not Privileged** 

**Argument for Privilege** 

**Privileged** 



In-House Counsel (on surface)

**In-House Counsel (substance)** 

**Outside Counsel (on surface)** 

**Outside Counsel (substance)** 



#### **Key Takeaways**

- Do privileged proactive EEO pay analyses
  - Clearly establish privilege
  - Must analyze beyond base pay
    - Bonuses, commissions, overtime, etc.
- Thoroughly prep for comp manager interviews
- Consider whether California Fair Pay Act, NY or other new state pay laws impact your organization

#### What's Coming Soon?

- Fair Pay & Safe Workplaces EO 13673
- Paid Sick Leave EO 13706
- "Ban the Box" Proposed Legislation
- Human Trafficking New Rule Implementing EO 13627
- Cyber Security Reporting DoD Interim Rule

### **Questions?**

### Thank You!



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