

TOIRMA Update

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TOIRMA Board of Trustees Declares Dividend

TOIRMA 3217 Northfield Drive Springfield, IL 62702	March 1, 2022
PAY TO THE ORDER OF TOIRMA Members	\$ 2,223,883. ⁰⁰
Two million two hundred twenty three thousand eight hundred eighty three and no/100 DOLLARS	
MEMO: Result of Good Risk Management	TOIRMA Board of Trustees

THE TOIRMA BOARD OF TRUSTEES declared a dividend for 2022 for all eligible Members. Townships and road districts that have been Members for the previous five consecutive years receive a dividend. A dividend has been declared for 31 consecutive years. This year's dividend totals \$2,223,883, with a cumulative 31-year total returned to Members of \$51.1 million. TOIRMA Board of Trustees Chair Barbara McGrew says: *"the Board is proud to be able to provide this benefit to our Members. The Board and management continue its tradition of working towards the goal of returning a dividend and keeping the costs of coverage stable."*

The dividend checks were mailed to each TOIRMA Contact on March 1, 2022. Once received the dividend should be deposited within two working days per the Public Funds Deposit Act [30 ILCS 225/1]).

Remember to Call JULIE Before You Dig — 8-1-1 or (800) 892-0123

The month of March marks the beginning of spring, and in Illinois the transition into the outdoor construction season. With this comes many digging opportunities for highway commissioners and high-

way workers. Each year, TOIRMA receives a number of claims relating to underground utilities. In an effort to reduce these types of claims, please remember to call the Joint Utility One-Call System, (JULIE), Illinois One-Call System, before you dig.

According to JULIE, every nine minutes an underground utility line is damaged because someone decided to dig without first calling 8-1-1 or (800) 892-0123. JULIE also has an online request option at: illinois1call.com. JULIE also has recorded "toolbox talks" on its website that are helpful to better understand the process and are good for training. To view the "toolbox talks" visit: <https://www.illinois1call.com/virtual-tool-box-talks/#>.

JULIE reminds us that is a not a utility nor does it own or mark any underground utilities. JULIE works



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**

Thank you for doing your part and for your attention to these matters.

As always, if you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me toll-free at (888) 562-7861 or by email at jdonelan@toirma.org.

with the underground facility members, and these entities mark their corresponding underground facilities at the excavation site. JULIE is a free service available to you and will help ensure that underground utilities are left unharmed.

Think Safe ... Drive Safe ... Work Safe



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