FLSA OVERTIME RULE RISK SCORECARD

On May 18, 2016, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) released a new rule that will more than double the salary threshold that employees must meet in order to qualify for an overtime wage payment exemption—a change that could affect more than 4 million workers across the United States.

Failure to comply with the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) can result in lawsuits, criminal charges, fines and restrictions in commerce. A low score does not mean that your organization

is necessarily in compliance. This tool simply makes a general estimate of risk.

Answer the following questions to determine whether your organization is at risk for increased costs, fines and lawsuits.

INSTRUCTIONS: Begin by answering the questions below. Each response will be given a numerical value depending on the answer. After completing the questions, total your score using the scale at the bottom of the page.

- YES: 2 points - UNSURE: 2 points - NO: O points

EXPOSURE	YES	NO	UNSURE	SCORE
1. In the past year, has your organization audited employee hours?				
2. In the past year, has your organization audited employee wages?				
3. Does your organization have any "white collar" employees making less than \$47,476 per year?				
4. Does your organization have any highly compensated employees making less than \$134,004 per year?				
5. Does your organization currently have a mechanism in place to track employee hours?				
6. Do you allow employees to work under flexible schedule arrangements?				
7. Do you allow employees to work remotely outside of normal working hours (e.g., checking and responding to emails)?				
8. Has it been over a year since your organization last reviewed employees' job duties to evaluate whether they fall within the "white collar" exemptions?				
9. Has it been over a year since your organization assessed its methods for calculating regular overtime pay?				
10. In the past year, has your organization reviewed its classification process for independent contractors?				
11. Are you comfortable with your organization's knowledge of "compensable hours?"				
12. Does your organization include productivity bonuses, shift premium pay and other employee payments when calculating an employee's total compensation?				
13. Does your organization rely on contracted labor and staffing firms? If so, has your organization reviewed your joint employment relationships in the past year?				
14. Are you up to date on your state's overtime laws?				
15. Does your organization automatically deduct employees' meal and rest periods from their paychecks?				
16. Are all required employment postings hung up and visible to employees?				
17. Does your organization pay "straight time" rates to employees who work overtime?				
18. Does your organization allow employees to "waive" their right to overtime?				
19. Does your organization currently have a clear overtime policy in place for employees?				
20. Has it been over a year since your organization reviewed its employee handbook?				
TOTAL SCORE:				

Low risk. Contact DG. to confirm: 0-10

Moderate risk. Contact DG. today: 11-25

High risk. Contact DG. today: 26-40

