Box 1 - The total gross amount you received this year from annuity benefits, refund or direct rollovers before any tax is withheld.

Box 2a - The amount from Box 1 that is taxable. For a direct tax deferred rollover, the taxable amount should be zero.

Box 2b - The total distribution box will be checked if the distribution was a total distribution that closed out your account.

Box 3 - Not used.

Box 4 - The amount of Federal tax withheld by SPTRFA and reported to the IRS.

Box 5 - The amount of the previously-taxed contributions paid as non-taxable benefits during the tax year (Box 1 subtract Box 2a). This amount is not reported on your income tax return.

Box 6 - Not used.

Box 7 - The distribution code in this box informs the IRS what type of distribution you received. 1: Under age 59 1/2, no known exclusion (Generally, refunds), 2: Under Age 59 1/2, known exclusion (Generally, annuitants), 3: Disability, 4: Death Benefit (Lump sum, alternate payee/survivor/beneficiary), 7: Normal Distribution (for annuitants), G: Rollover (Tax-sheltered or ROTH). For annuities, the Distribution Code for alternate payees/survivors/beneficiaries is inherited from the decedent.

Box 8 - Not used.

Box 9a - If a total distribution was made to more than one person, the percentage of the total distribution that was received is shown.

Box 9b - If you made any previously-taxed contributions to SPTRFA, this is the balance yet to be paid to you (on an IRS-defined timetable) as non-taxable benefits. This amount is not reported on your income tax return.

Box 10 - Not used.

Box 11 - Not used.

Box 12 - Not used.

Box 13 - Not used.

Box 14 - Box 12 on mailed 1099-R - The amount of Minnesota tax withheld by SPTRFA and reported to the Minnesota Department of Revenue. Taxes for other states cannot be withheld.

Box 15 - Box 13 on mailed 1099-R - SPTRFA's identification number as assigned by the State of Minnesota.

Box 16 - Box 14 on mailed 1099-R - Generally, is the same as Box 2a taxable amount.

Box 17 - Not used.

Box 18 - Not used.

Box 19 - Not used.