

## NCB's June 2009 Distribution

Dear Sister Society,  
Please find below important information on NCB's June 2009 Distribution:

### ACCESS TO YOUR ROYALTY STATEMENTS ON NCB'S WEBSITE

The information can be accessed from NCB's website where you will have your own folder with your NCB statement files.

Visit the English version of NCB's website - [www.ncb.dk/english](http://www.ncb.dk/english) - and click the menu item **[NCB Direct] / [NCB members - distribution statements]**.

On the login page you enter the user-ID and password that we sent to your NCB contact (for distribution issues) in May 2008.

You will now get access to your NCB distribution files - present and previous files can be accessed.

### DISTRIBUTION OF LUMP SUMS

Some of the royalties NCB receives for distribution are so-called lump sums that come from various types of collection.

In order to distribute the money, it is paid out proportionately to the relevant members and sister societies.

Lump sum royalties will be indicated by a number on your royalty statement – for example: "Lump-sum 0000165".

The lump sums that will be paid out with this distribution are:

- Lump sums for Nordic agreements.
- Lump sums for Norwegian broadcast.

### ONLINE MUSIC

In our distribution newsletter in March we mentioned that we had not been able to invoice and distribute royalties for iTunes' sales during 2008. This problem is not caused by NCB as our IT systems since long ago have been able to handle situations where licences are granted for certain rights in our territory by others. However, it has proved extremely difficult to clarify for which repertoire the major international publishers want to grant direct licences.

Our March 2009 Distribution, however, included iTunes' sales during the first six months of 2008 in Sweden, Norway and Finland, and this distribution now includes iTunes sales during the last six months of 2008.

The agreements with iTunes differ from one country to another as they have been negotiated individually. This also means that further negotiations have to be conducted with iTunes and the major international publishers before sales made in Denmark can be invoiced.

### MUSIC IN DANISH TV2 AND DR PROGRAMMES

Due to a disagreement between NCB and the Danish TV broadcasters TV2 and DR concerning royalty payment on subcontracted TV productions (made by independent production companies), NCB cannot distribute royalties on the programmes concerned until the disagreement has been settled.



#### **NATIONAL TAXES ON NCB ROYALTIES**

Please note that royalties collected by NCB in the Baltic countries and paid to rights owners in non-Baltic countries are subject to a tax on 'export of funds'. The rates are as follows: Estonia 15%, Latvia 10%, Lithuania 10%.

Norway: All royalties collected by NCB in Norway are subject to a 2% tax to 'Det Norske Komponistfond' (Norwegian Composers' Foundation) according to Norwegian legislation.

#### **FOUR ANNUAL NCB DISTRIBUTIONS**

NCB now makes four annual distributions of royalties to members in the following months:

- March (mainly online royalties)
- June
- September (mainly online royalties)
- December

The exact distribution dates will be announced on NCB's website.

#### **PLEASE CHECK YOUR ROYALTY STATEMENT**

We suggest that you check your royalty statement immediately when you have been notified that it is available on the Internet.

Please contact NCB's Member Services - preferably in writing to our e-mail: [medlem@ncb.dk](mailto:medlem@ncb.dk) - at your earliest convenience if you find any irregularities.

Yours sincerely

**NCB**