# METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL 29342J

MEC 72.2 – RITTMAN EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES



## AIG LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

ONE ALICO PLAZA WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19801

(Herein called the Company)

## CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

AIG Life Insurance Company (the *Company*) certifies that certain eligible persons are insured for the benefits described in this certificate. This insurance is subject to the eligibility and effective date requirements described in the **ELIGIBILITY** section of this certificate.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

This certificate is a summary of the group policy provisions that affect **your** insurance. It is merely evidence of the insurance provided by such policy for METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL, a Participating Employer in the AIG Group Insurance Trust (the Policyholder).

The group policy is a contract between the *Company* and the Policyholder. It may be changed or ended without notice to or consent of any insured person.

This certificate replaces any certificate previously issued by the *Company* to you under the group policy.

The benefits described in this certificate are provided by group policy no. G-660020 (29342J).

The *Company* is providing this electronic version of the certificate at the request of the Participating Employer. If there is any conflict between the information in this electronic version of the certificate and the group policy, the group policy will control in all respects.

PLEASE READ THIS CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY

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## SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

## Eligible Class(es):

MEC 72.2- Rittman Exempted Village Schools Classified Employees

FULL-TIME means active work on the Participating Employer's regular work schedule for the class of employees to which you belong.

Plan Effective Date: November 1, 2007

Amendment Effective Date: November 1, 2008

Plan Anniversary Date: November 1, 2008, and each subsequent November 1

**Waiting Period:** 

Present Eligible Persons ...... a period determined by your Employer

Future Eligible Persons......a period determined by your Employer

## LIFE INSURANCE

## **Basic Life Insurance**

Basic Life Insurance Benefit Amount	\$30,000
Basic Life Insurance Maximum	\$30,000

## **Supplemental Life Insurance**

Supplemental Life Insurance Benefit Amount...... As elected by you: an amount in increments of \$10.000

Supplemental Life Insurance Maximum ......\$300,000 Supplemental Life Insurance Guaranteed Issue Amount ......\$100,000

## **Supplemental Dependent Life Insurance**

Life Insurance Benefit Amount Insured Spouse:

Each Unit ...... \$5,000

Insured Dependent Children Birth to 21 years:

Each Unit ......\$2,500

Full-time student 21 years to 23 years:

Each Unit ......\$2,500

Not to exceed 4 (Four) Units of coverage, where each Unit would cover any eligible spouse and all eligible children.

## **SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS**

## ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

## Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) Benefit

Basic AD&D Principal Sum	\$30,000
Basic AD&D Insurance Maximum	\$30.000

## Supplemental Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) Benefit

Supplemental AD&D Principal Sum...... As elected by you: an amount in increments of \$10,000

Supplemental AD&D Insurance Maximum.....\$300,000

## **Life Insurance Reduction Schedule**

Life Insurance benefits will end at retirement.

## **Supplemental Dependent Life Insurance Reduction Schedule**

Life Insurance benefits will end at age 70.

## **AD&D Insurance Reduction Schedule**

Accidental death and dismemberment benefits will end at retirement.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**ACCIDENT** means an event or occurrence that is sudden, unforeseen and unintended.

**ACTIVE WORK/ACTIVELY AT WORK** means performing normal duties for the Participating Employer at the usual place of employment, an alternative work site at the direction of the Participating Employer, or at a location to which the Participating Employer requires the Insured to travel. An Insured will be considered Actively At Work on each regularly scheduled non-work day if he or she was Actively At Work on the immediately preceding scheduled work day, provided the Insured is not Totally Disabled.

## **ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING (ADL)** means the following activities:

- Bathing the ability to wash oneself in either a tub or shower, or by sponge bath; including the tasks of
  getting into and out of the tub or shower with or without the assistance of equipment;
- Dressing the ability to put on, take off, and secure all necessary and appropriate items of clothing and any necessary braces or artificial limbs;
- Toileting the ability to get to and from the toilet, get on and off the toilet, and perform associated personal hygiene with or without the assistance of equipment;
- Transferring the ability to move in and out of bed, chair, or wheelchair with or without the assistance of equipment;
- Mobility the ability to walk or wheel on a level surface from one room to another with or without the assistance of equipment;
- Eating the ability to get nourishment into the body by any means once it has been prepared and made available to one with or without the assistance of equipment; and
- Continence the ability to voluntarily maintain control of bowel and/or bladder function or, in the event of incontinence, the ability to maintain a reasonable level of personal hygiene.

**AUTOMOBILE** means a self-propelled private passenger motor vehicle with four or more wheels which is of a type both designed and required to be licensed for use on the highways of any state or country. Automobile includes, but is not limited to, a sedan, station wagon, or jeep-type vehicle and, if not used primarily for occupational, professional or business purposes, a motor vehicle of the pickup, panel, van, camper or motor home type. Automobile does not include a mobile home or any motor vehicle that is used in mass or public transit.

**BASIC EARNINGS** means the Insured's annual compensation from the Participating Employer.

## Basic earnings includes:

- the Insured's average monthly compensation from the Participating Employer during the Participating Employer's prior tax year if the Insured was a Partner, Professional Corporation (P.C.) Partner, Owneremployee, Sole Proprietor and/or S-Corporation Shareholder;
- the average annual compensation received by the Insured's professional corporation from the Participating Employer during the Participating Employer's prior tax year. The *Company* will calculate annual earnings by adding the following items as reported on the applicable Schedule K-1, Schedule C, Form W-2, or S-Corporation federal income tax return, or by the number of months that the Insured was a Partner, Professional Corporation (P.C.) Partner, Owner-employee, Sole Proprietor and/or S-Corporation Shareholder if less than 12 months. This includes the Insured's:
  - ordinary income from trade or business activities;
  - guaranteed payments if he or she was a Partner;
  - net profit from the business;
  - compensation (as an officer), salary or wages, if he or she was a S-Corporation Shareholder

## Section I

## **DEFINITIONS**

- the Insured's average annual rate of compensation from the Participating Employer including:
  - average annual salary
  - regular hourly wages (but not for more than 40 hours a week)
  - commissions averaged over the preceding 12 months or the period of the Insured's employment if less than 12 months
- shift differential pay
- contributions the Insured makes through a salary reduction agreement with the Participating Employer to:
  - an Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 401(k), 403(b), 408(k), 408(p), or 457 deferred compensation arrangement;
  - an executive nonqualified deferral compensation arrangement
- amounts contributed to the Insured's fringe benefits according to a salary reduction agreement under an IRC section 125 plan.

## Basic earnings does not include:

- bonuses
- overtime pay
- extra compensation
- the Participating Employer's contributions on the Insured's behalf to any deferred compensation plan or pension plan
- income the Insured earns as a private contractor on IRS form 1099
- stock options

## **CHANGE IN FAMILY STATUS** means:

- an Insured's marriage, or the birth or adoption of a child, or becoming the legal guardian of a child;
- the death of or divorce from an Insured's spouse;
- the death of or emancipation of a child;
- Spouse's loss of employment which results in a loss of group insurance; or
- change in classification from part-time to full-time or from full-time to part-time.

**COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT** means that the Insured has been certified by a Physician as having a deterioration or loss in intellectual capacity, resulting from Injury, Sickness, Alzheimer's disease or similar forms of irreversible dementia, and the Insured needs another person's active help or verbal guidance for his or her own protection and the protection of others.

**DEPENDENT CHILD(REN)** means the Insured's unmarried children, including natural, step, foster or adopted children from the moment of placement in the home of the Insured, at least of age and under age, (19 - 23 if attending an accredited Institution of Higher Learning on a full time basis) and primarily dependent on the Insured for support and maintenance.

Any unmarried Dependent Children of the Insured covered under the Policy before reaching the age limit specified above, who are incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical incapacity, and who are primarily dependent on the Insured for support and maintenance, may continue to be eligible under the Policy beyond that age limit for as long as the Policy is in force, but only if they remain continuously covered under the Policy. The *Company* may request that the Insured submit satisfactory proof of the Dependent Child(ren)'s incapacity and dependency to the *Company* within 60 days before the Dependent Child(ren) reach the age limit specified above. If the Insured fails to furnish the requested proof before the Dependent Child(ren) reach the age limit, coverage for the Eligible Dependent Child(ren) will not be extended past the age limit. If coverage is extended, the *Company* may request that the Insured submit satisfactory proof of the Dependent Child(ren)'s continued incapacity and dependency to the *Company* on an annual basis.

## Section I

## **DEFINITIONS**

If the Insured fails to furnish the requested proof within 31 days of the request, coverage for the Dependent Child(ren) will terminate at the end of that 31-day period.

**EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY** means a statement or proof of a person's medical history upon which acceptance for insurance will be determined by the *Company*.

**FAMILY COVERAGE** means coverage in force under the Policy on an Insured's Eligible Dependents: (1) whom the Insured has elected to cover under the Policy; and (2) for whom premium has been paid.

**GUARANTEED ISSUE AMOUNT** means the amount of insurance that will be issued to an Insured Person without Evidence of Insurability. The Guaranteed Issue Amount for an Insured Person's Life Insurance is shown in the Schedule. For amounts in excess of the Guaranteed Issue Amount, Evidence of Insurability satisfactory to the *Company* may be provided at the Insured's expense.

**IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER** means a person who is related to the Insured in any of the following ways: spouse, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, parent (includes stepparent), grandparent, brother or sister (includes stepbrother or stepsister), child (includes legally adopted, stepchild, or foster child), aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, or grandchild.

**INJURY** means bodily injury that is the direct result of an Accident occurring while the Policy is in force with respect to the person whose injury is the basis of claim and resulting directly and independently of all other causes in a covered loss.

**INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING** means any accredited institution that provides education or training beyond the 12th grade level, including, but not limited to, any state university, private college, or trade school.

**INSURED** means a person who is a member of an Eligible Class for whom premium has been paid while covered under the Policy.

**INSURED DEPENDENT** means an Insured Dependent Child or an Insured Spouse, for whom premium is paid while covered under the Policy.

**INSURED DEPENDENT CHILD** means the Insured's Dependent Child, for whom premium is paid while covered under the Policy.

**INSURED PERSON** means the Insured or an Insured Dependent.

**INSURED SPOUSE** means the Insured's Spouse, for whom premium is paid while covered under this Policy.

LOSS OF A HAND OR FOOT means complete severance through or above the wrist or ankle joint.

LOSS OF SIGHT OF AN EYE means total and irrecoverable loss of the entire sight in that eye.

**MILITARY** means the armed land, sea or air force of a nation.

**PARAMILITARY** means an organized, armed force on a Military pattern.

**PHYSICIAN** means a licensed practitioner of the healing arts acting within the scope of his or her license, who is not: (a) the Insured Person; (b) an Immediate Family Member; (c) residing with the Insured Person; or (d) retained by the Participating Employer.

**PRIOR PLAN** means the Group Life Insurance and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance carried by the Participating Employer on the day before the Plan Effective Date.

## **DEFINITIONS**

**SCHEDULE** means the Schedule of Benefits section of the Policy.

**SICKNESS** means illness or disease diagnosed by a Physician.

**SPOUSE** means the Insured's lawful spouse (not including a spouse who is legally separated from the Insured).

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESTRAINT SYSTEM** means an air bag which inflates for added protection to the head and chest areas.

**TOTAL DISABILITY/TOTALLY DISABLED** means that, as a result of Injury or Sickness, the Insured is unable to engage in any occupation for which he or she is reasonably qualified by education, training or experience.

**WAR OR INSURRECTION** means an armed conflict between the Military or Paramilitary forces of two (2) or more political entities.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

## **Eligible Classes**

Rittman Exempted Village Schools Classified Employees

**Eligibility.** Before becoming eligible for coverage under the Policy, a Waiting Period must be satisfied by each member of an Eligible Class as shown in the Schedule.

**Insured's Effective Date.** An Insured's coverage under the Policy will become effective on the latest of the following dates:

## If Non-Contributory

- 1. the Plan Effective Date; or
- 2. the date the person becomes eligible for insurance;

## If Contributory

- 1. the date the person applies for insurance, if such date is within 31 days of his or her eligibility date;
- 2. the date the *Company* approves the application for insurance and any required Evidence of Insurability, if application is made more than 31 days after his or her eligibility date;
- 3. the date for which the first premium for the person's coverage is paid; or
- 4. the Plan Effective Date.

## **Late Entrants**

The following limitations will apply to a later enrollment: If the person does not enroll within 31 days after becoming eligible, he or she may only apply for coverage within 31 days of a Change in Family Status. The date that the person is insured will be the date the *Company* approves application for insurance and any required Evidence of Insurability.

## **Change in Family Status**

A Change in Family Status means:

- 1. An Insured's marriage, or the birth or adoption of a child, or becoming the legal guardian of a child;
- 2. The death of or divorce from an Insured's spouse;
- The death of or emancipation of a child;
- 4. Spouse's loss of employment which results in a loss of group insurance; or
- 5. Change in classification from part-time to full-time or from full-time to part-time.

The Insured will be allowed to enroll or increase one increment if a Change in Family Status applies.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

## **Evidence of Insurability Requirement**

Evidence of insurability is required if the person:

- is a late applicant, which means that he or she requests insurance more than 31 days after the date he or she is eligible;
- voluntarily canceled his or her insurance and is reapplying;
- applies after any of his or her coverage ended because he or she did not pay a required contribution, or
- has not met a previous Evidence of Insurability requirement to become insured under any plan the Participating Employer has with the *Company*.

Any Life Insurance which is in excess of the Guaranteed Issue Amount or is subject to Evidence of Insurability shall become effective on the date the *Company* approves evidence that the person is insurable, subject to any applicable waiting period.

## **Actively At Work Requirement**

If the person is not Actively at Work on the date his or her insurance would otherwise become effective, insurance will not be effective until the date such person returns to and remains Actively at Work.

**Dependent Eligibility.** An Insured's Dependents are eligible for Dependent Life Insurance benefits under the Policy on the day the Insured becomes eligible for dependent coverage. However a Dependent can only be either an Insured or a Dependent under the same policy, not both.

**Insured Dependent's Effective Date.** An Insured Dependent's coverage under the Policy will become effective on the latest of the following dates:

- 1. the Plan Effective Date:
- 2. the Insured's effective date of insurance;
- 3. the date for which the first premium for the person's coverage is paid;
- 4. the date the Insured elects dependent coverage under the Policy; or
- 5. the date the *Company* approves the application for insurance and any required Evidence of Insurability, if application is made more than 31 days after the dependent's eligibility date.

Any Life Insurance which is in excess of the Guaranteed Issue Amount or is subject to Evidence of Insurability shall become effective on the date the *Company* approves evidence that the person is insurable, subject to any applicable waiting period.

If the person is unable to engage in the normal activities of a person in good health of like age and sex on the date the insurance would otherwise become effective, coverage will not be effective until the date such person is able to engage in the normal activities of a person in good health of like age and sex.

Section II

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

**Effective Date of Changes.** Any change in the amount of an Insured's insurance due to a change in Basic Earnings will take effect on the date of such change. Any change in the amount of an Insured's insurance due to his or her becoming a member of another Eligible Class will take effect on the date of such change.

If the Insured is not Actively at Work on the date that an increase in his or her coverage is to take effect, such increase will be effective on the date the Insured returns to Active Work.

If an Insured Dependent is unable to engage in the activities of a person in good health of like age and sex on the date an increase in his or her Dependent Life Insurance Benefit Amount would otherwise become effective, such increase will not be effective until the date such Insured Dependent is able to engage in normal activities of a person in good health of like age and sex.

## No Loss / No Gain

If a person is absent from work due to a physical or mental condition on the date his or her insurance would otherwise have become effective, the effective date of the person's insurance will be deferred until the date he or she returns to Active Work.

If the person was insured under the Prior Plan on the day before the Plan Effective Date and would be eligible for coverage on the Plan Effective Date; except that he or she is not able to meet the requirements of Actively at Work; then the coverage amount shown in the Schedule of Insurance will not apply to such person.

Instead, the person will be considered to be insured and the *Company's* coverage amount will be the lesser of:

- 1. the amount of Life Insurance and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance under the Prior Plan; or
- 2. the amount of Life Insurance and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance shown in the Schedule of Insurance, reduced by any coverage amount in force or otherwise payable due to any disability benefit extension under the Prior Plan.

The person will remain insured under this provision until the first to occur of:

- 1. the date he or she returns to Active Work;
- 2. the date his or her insurance terminates for a reason stated under the termination provision;
- 3. the last day of a period of 12 consecutive months which begins on the Plan Effective Date; or
- 4. the last day the person would have been covered under the Prior Plan, had the Prior Plan not terminated.

## Section III

## DATE INSURANCE ENDS

**Insured's Termination Date.** An Insured's coverage under the Policy will end on the earliest of the following dates:

- 1. the premium due date, if premiums are not paid when due (subject to the grace period);
- 2. the date the Insured ceases to be a member of an Eligible Class;
- the date the Policy terminates;
- 4. the date the Insured notifies the Company in writing to discontinue his or her coverage; or
- 5. the date the Insureds' employer ceases to be a Participating Employer.

With respect to Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance, termination of coverage will not affect a claim for a Covered Loss that occurs either before or after such termination if that loss results from an accident that occurred while the Insured's coverage was in force under the Policy.

**Insured Dependent's Termination Date.** An Insured Dependent's coverage under the Policy ends on the earliest of the following dates:

- 1. the date the Insured's coverage under the Policy ends;
- the date the person ceases to qualify as an Insured Dependent;
- the premium due date, if premiums are not paid when due (subject to the grace period);
- 4. the date the Insured is no longer eligible for dependent coverage;
- 5. the date dependent coverage is no longer provided by the Policy;
- 6. the date the Insured notifies the *Company* in writing to discontinue his or her dependent coverage;
- 7. the date the coverage terminates; or
- 8. the date the Policy terminates.

**Reinstatement of Insurance.** If insurance ends because the Insured ceases to be eligible for coverage as defined in this Certificate, coverage may be reinstated and no additional waiting period will apply if, within six months after the date the insurance ends, the Insured becomes a member of an Eligible Class.

**Exceptions to Termination of Insurance.** If the Insured terminates Active Work and if premium payments for his or her coverage are made when due, he or she may be considered to be Actively at Work, subject to the conditions set forth below.

- 1. If the Insured terminates Active Work due to temporary lay off or leave of absence, coverage may be continued until the earliest of the following dates:
  - a. the date the Participating Employer ceases to pay the Insured's premiums, or otherwise terminates the insurance: or
  - b. 31 days from the date the Insured ceases to be Actively at Work; or
  - c. the date the Policy terminates.

## Section III

## DATE INSURANCE ENDS

2. If the Insured terminates Active Work due to Injury or Sickness, coverage under the Policy may be continued in accordance with the Extension of Life Insurance provision. However, if the insured is not eligible for continuance under the Extension of Life Insurance Provision and is no longer Actively at Work due to injury or Sickness, then the longest they can be covered is for 12 months unless age 65 or older.

## **Suspension of Coverage During Military Service**

The *Company* will suspend the Insured's insurance on the date he or she goes on active duty in the Military service of any country or international authority. Such duty will not include temporary active duty by reservists for military training that lasts 90 days or less. The *Company* will refund that part of any premium paid for the period of such suspension.

A person can place his or her insurance back in force without Evidence of Insurability or earned income as of the date of his or her discharge. To do so, he or she must apply in writing and pay the premium, both within 90 days after active duty ends.

The *Company* will base the person's premium on his or her age and class of risk when such person's insurance was suspended. If the person was disabled on or before the date of discharge, he or she must have recovered for at least 6 months before the *Company* will cover a later disability from the same cause.

## Continuation of Coverage While on Leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act

If an Insured is eligible for and the Participating Employer approves a leave of absence under the Federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA) or any similar state law, his or her insurance will continue for a period of up to 12 weeks following the date the leave begins provided the Participating Employer pays the required premiums in accordance with the provisions of the group policy. The *Company* may require written confirmation of the FMLA approval from the Participating Employer.

The Insured is eligible for leave under this act in order to provide care:

- · after the birth of a child
- after the legal adoption of a child
- after the placement of a foster child in his or her home
- to a spouse, child or parent due to their serious illness, or
- for the Insured's own serious health condition.

If the Insured does not continue his or her insurance during the FMLA leave, upon his or her return to active employment:

- no new waiting period will be applied
- no new pre-existing conditions exclusions or limitations will be applied, and
- no Evidence of Insurability will be required to reinstate the insurance in effect before the leave began.

## LIFE INSURANCE

**Death Benefit.** Upon receipt of due proof of death, the *Company* will pay the Life Insurance Benefit Amount(s) in force on the Insured's life at the time of his or her death, in accordance with the terms of the Policy. In no event will the total amount of Life Insurance in force for an Insured exceed the Life Insurance Maximum shown in the Schedule.

**Exclusions and Limitations.** No Supplemental Life Insurance benefit will be payable under the Policy for an Insured's death caused by suicide or self-destruction, or any attempt at suicide or self-destruction within 24 months after his or her effective date of coverage under the Policy.

#### Reduction Schedule.

These reductions will also apply to: (a) any insurance that is extended in accordance with the Extension of Life Insurance provision in this Policy; and (b) Supplemental Dependent Life Insurance. Any decrease in the amount of insurance due to age will take place on the Insured Person's birthday.

"Age" as used above refers to the age of the Insured Person on his or her most recent birthday, regardless of the actual time of birth.

"Scheduled Benefit" as used above refers to the applicable benefit amount shown in the Schedule that would otherwise be payable in the absence of any benefit reduction.

#### **Extension of Life Insurance**

**Waiver of Premium Benefit.** If the Insured becomes Totally Disabled before reaching age 60, his or her Basic and Supplemental Life Insurance under this Policy will continue for one year from the date the Insured becomes Totally Disabled, provided that the Insured remains Totally Disabled, and premiums are paid when due. The Life Insurance benefit will be the same amount for which the Insured would have been eligible if he or she were not Totally Disabled, subject to any applicable benefit reduction. Insurance may be continued beyond such one-year period, provided:

- 1. the Insured furnishes proof satisfactory to the *Company*, at least six months from the date such Total Disability began, that the Insured has been Totally Disabled continuously from the date the Total Disability began; and
- 2. such proof is furnished to the *Company* no later than one year after the date the Total Disability begins.

Upon submission of the required proof, premiums paid on the Insured's behalf during the Total Disability will be refunded. The *Company* will waive the required premium payments until the Insured is no longer Totally Disabled, provided the Insured: (a) furnishes proof that the Total Disability has continued uninterrupted; and (b) submits to a physical exam when required, as provided below.

Benefits will end on the earliest of the following dates:

- 1. the date the Insured ceases to be Totally Disabled;
- 2. the date the Insured fails to submit to a physical exam as required;
- 3. the date the Insured's Life Insurance would otherwise terminate as indicated in the Policy;
- 4. the date proof of Total Disability is not provided when due; or
- 5. the date the Insured reaches age 70.

If the Insured ceases to be Totally Disabled, premiums must be paid when due if insurance coverage is to be continued.

**Physical Exam.** The *Company* will have the right to have a Physician of its choice examine the Insured to establish any disability. The *Company* will pay for the exam. The Insured may be examined as often as reasonably necessary during the period of disability, but not more than once a year after he or she has been disabled for two years.

**Conversion After Extension.** When any applicable extension of benefits described in this section ends, the Insured may convert his or her coverage to an individual insurance policy, provided the Insured is Entitled to Convert as described in the Conversion Privilege provision.

## **Conversion Privilege**

The Insured may convert his or her Life Insurance under the Policy to an individual policy if such insurance, or any portion of it, ends, provided the Insured is Entitled to Convert and, within 31 days after such insurance ends the Insured:

- 1. applies in writing to the Company at P.O. Box 30066, Tampa, Florida 33630-3066; and
- 2. pays the first premium.

**Evidence of Insurability.** No Evidence of Insurability will be required if the Insured converts to an individual policy under this Conversion Privilege.

Entitled to Convert. The Insured is Entitled to Convert his or her Life Insurance only if:

- 1. the Insured ceases to be a member of an Eligible Class as described in the Eligible Class(es) section of the Schedule;
- 2. the Policy terminates, provided the Insured has been covered under the Policy for at least five consecutive years immediately preceding such termination;
- 3. the Policy is amended to terminate the Eligible Class to which the Insured belongs, provided he or she has been covered under the Policy for at least five consecutive years immediately preceding such termination.

In no event will the Insured be Entitled to Convert if his or her coverage under the Policy ceases due to non-payment of the required premium.

**Amount of Converted Life Insurance.** If the Insured's coverage terminates because he or she is no longer a member of an Eligible Class, the amount of Life Insurance that he or she will be eligible to convert will not be more than the amount of Life Insurance that is lost under the Policy.

If the Insured's Life Insurance ends because the Policy is amended to terminate the Eligible Class to which he or she belongs, or if the Policy terminates, the amount of Life Insurance under the converted life policy will be the lesser of: (a) the amount of Life Insurance in force under the Policy at the time insurance ends, less any amount for which the Insured becomes eligible under this or any other group life policy during the 31-day conversion period; or (b) \$10,000.

**Type of Policy.** The individual policy will be the *Company's* current offering and will be on a form customarily issued by the *Company*. However, such policy may not be term insurance. No disability or other supplemental benefits will be covered under the policy. The individual policy will go into effect at the end of the period during which the Insured is eligible to convert.

If the individual policy contains a provision which restricts the time within which benefits would be payable as a result of suicide, or restricts the time within which coverage under the policy can be contested, such time periods will be deemed to have begun at the time the Insured was first covered under the Policy.

The premium will be based on the *Company's* rates for the individual policy form, the benefit amount, age and the class of risk to which the Insured belongs at the time insurance ends. To continue insurance under the individual policy, the premium must continue to be paid as required under the terms of the individual policy.

**Death During the Conversion Period.** If the Insured dies within the 31-day conversion period, the *Company* will pay a death benefit equal to the maximum amount the Insured could have otherwise converted.

**Notice of Conversion Right.** Notice of the Insured's right to convert to an individual policy will be presented to the Insured or delivered to the Insured's last known address within 15 days from the date his or her coverage ends. If notice is not given within this 15-day period, the 31-day conversion period will be extended by 15 days after the date notice is given. However, in no event will the conversion period be extended for more than 60 days after the expiration date of the initial 31-day conversion period.

## **Portability**

In lieu of the Conversion Privilege stated above, if the Insured ceases to be a member of an Eligible Class for any reason other than retirement, the Insured may elect to convert his/her Supplemental Life Insurance to another Group Policy offered by the *Company* or an affiliate of the *Company* provided he or she has not attained age 70. The Insured may also elect to continue Dependent Life Insurance on his or her Insured Dependent Spouse provided the Insured Dependent Spouse has not attained age 70. The Insured must: (a) make such election within 31 days of termination of eligibility, and (b) agree to pay the entire premium for such coverage.

This coverage will be subject to all of the provisions and limitations of the Portability Policy, including reductions for age or termination at age 70. Premium rates for coverage under the Portability Policy will be based on the Insured's age, sex and smoking status at the time of election of this option and at renewal. Coverage provided under this provision will end when the Portability Policy terminates but will continue through the last period for which premiums have been paid. Premiums for this coverage will be billed directly to the Insured on a quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis, as elected by the Insured.

The Portability Policy will contain a right to convert the Insured's coverage to an individual policy offered by AIG Life or an affiliate of the *Company*.

## **Accelerated Life Insurance Benefit**

If elected by the Insured, and subject to approval by the *Company*, a portion of the Insured's Life Insurance benefit may be paid before his or her death. To qualify for this benefit, the Insured must have been diagnosed as being terminally ill while insured under this Policy or must meet the qualifying conditions stated below. The Insured must apply for Accelerated Life Insurance benefits in writing on a form acceptable to the *Company*.

## **Qualifying Conditions**

To qualify for this benefit, the Insured must: 1) be unable to continuously perform one or more Activities of Daily Living (ADL), without stand by help; 2) have a Cognitive Impairment; or 3) have a terminal illness.

Any activity of daily living the Insured is not able to perform, without stand by help, prior to the effective date of coverage will not be considered for qualifying for this benefit. Any Cognitive Impairments due to, caused by, or contributed by a cognitive condition that began prior to the effective date of coverage will not be considered for qualifying for this benefit.

**Proof of Terminal Illness.** Before payment of benefits under this provision may be made, satisfactory proof must be provided to the *Company* that the Insured's life expectancy is 6 months or less from the date of application for this benefit. Proof of terminal illness must include certification from a Physician. The *Company* reserves the right to obtain a second or third medical opinion at its own expense.

**Proof of other Qualifying Conditions.** Before payment of benefits under this provision may be made, satisfactory proof must be provided to the *Company* that the person meets the qualifying conditions. Proof must be certified by a Physician and in the form that is satisfactory to the *Company*. The *Company* reserves the right to obtain a second or third medical opinion at its own expense.

## **Benefit Amount**

The maximum benefit the Insured may receive under this provision is the lesser of:

- 1. 75% of the Insured's Life Insurance benefit shown in the Schedule, including any Supplemental Life Insurance benefit less the amount of any benefit already paid under this provision; or
- 2. \$250,000.

However if the Insured's Life Insurance is scheduled to reduce within 6 months of the date application for this benefit is received by the *Company*, the Accelerated Life Insurance Benefit will be limited to the amount that would be available for accelerated payment after such reduction takes place.

The minimum Accelerated Life Insurance benefit the Insured may receive will be \$1,000. Such benefit will be paid in a lump sum to the Insured, unless an alternate payment arrangement is requested by the Insured in writing and is approved by the *Company*. However, the minimum payment under such installment payment arrangement will be \$500 per payment.

The receipt of this Accelerated Life Insurance benefit may be taxable. The Insured should seek assistance from a personal tax advisor with respect to receipt of this benefit. No representations as to any issue of taxation of this benefit are made by the Company.

**Effect on Life Insurance Benefits at Insured's or Death.** The Insured's Life Insurance Benefit Amount(s) shown in the Schedule will be reduced by any amount paid under this provision.

**Termination of Accelerated Life Insurance Benefits.** This benefit will terminate on the date the Insured's insurance under the Policy terminates. However, this benefit will continue to be available while the Insured is covered under the Extension of Life Insurance provision of the Policy.

**Limitations.** The *Company* will not provide benefits under this provision if:

- 1. the Insured would be required by law to use the benefit to meet the claims of creditors, whether in bankruptcy or otherwise;
- 2. the Insured is required by a government agency to use this benefit in lieu of applying for, obtaining, or otherwise keeping a government benefit or entitlement;
- 3. the Insured's Life Insurance under the Policy has terminated;
- 4. each irrevocable beneficiary, if any, has disapproved payment of this benefit; or
- 5. the Insured's Life Insurance benefits under the Policy have been assigned.

**Payees.** Benefits will be paid in one lump sum to the insured, if living. If not living the *Company* may pay such benefits to the Insured's estate.

The Company will not be liable for such payment after it is made.

## **DEPENDENT LIFE INSURANCE**

**Death Benefit.** Upon receipt of due proof of death, the *Company* will pay the Life Insurance Benefit Amount(s) in force on the Insured Dependent's life at the time of his or her death, in accordance with the terms of the Policy. In no event will the total amount of Life Insurance in force for an Insured Dependent exceed the Life Insurance Maximum shown in the Schedule.

## **Conversion Privilege**

An Insured Dependent may convert his or her Dependent Life Insurance under the Policy to an individual policy if such person's insurance, or any portion of it, ends, provided the individual is Entitled to Convert and, within 31 days after such insurance ends he or she:

- 1. applies in writing to the Company at P.O. Box 30066, Tampa, Florida 33630-3066; and
- 2. pays the first premium.

**Evidence of Insurability.** No Evidence of Insurability will be required for an Insured Dependent who converts to an individual policy under the Conversion Privilege.

Entitled to Convert. An Insured Dependent is Entitled to Convert his or her Life Insurance only if:

- 1. the Insured ceases to be a member of an Eligible Class as described in the Eligible Class(es) section of the Schedule;
- 2. the Insured dies;
- 3. the person ceases to qualify for coverage as an Insured Dependent, as defined in the Policy;
- the Policy terminates, provided: (a) the Insured is Entitled to Convert; and (b) the Insured Dependent has been covered under the Policy for at least five consecutive years immediately preceding such termination; or
- 5. the Policy is amended to terminate the Eligible Class to which the Insured belongs, provided: (a) the Insured is Entitled to Convert; and (b) the Insured Dependent has been covered under the Policy for at least five consecutive years immediately preceding such termination.

**Amount of Converted Life Insurance.** If the Insured Dependent ceases to be eligible for insurance under the Policy, the amount of Life Insurance he or she will be Entitled to Convert will not be more than the amount of Life Insurance that is lost under the Policy.

If the Insured Dependent's Life Insurance ends because the Policy is amended to terminate the Eligible Class to which the Insured belongs, or if the Policy terminates, the amount of Life Insurance the Insured Dependent will be Entitled to Convert will be the lesser of: (a) the amount of Life Insurance in force under the Policy at the time his or her insurance ends, less any amount for which he or she becomes eligible under this or any other group life policy during the 31-day conversion period; or (b) \$2,000.

**Type of Policy.** The individual Policy will be the *Company's* current offering and will be on a form customarily issued by the *Company*. However, such Policy may not be term insurance. No disability or other supplemental benefits will be covered under the policy. The individual policy will go into effect at the end of the period during which the Insured Dependent is eligible to convert.

If the individual policy contains a provision which restricts the time within which benefits would be payable as a result of suicide, or restricts the time within which coverage under the policy can be contested, such time periods will be deemed to have begun at the time the Insured Dependent was first covered under the Policy.

The premium will be based on the *Company's* rates for the individual policy form, the benefit amount, age and the class of risk to which the insured belongs at the time insurance ends. To continue insurance under the individual policy, the premium must continue to be paid as required under the terms of the individual policy.

**Death During the Conversion Period.** If the Insured Dependent dies within the 31-day conversion period, the *Company* will pay a death benefit equal to the maximum amount he or she could have otherwise converted.

**Notice of Conversion Right.** Notice of the Insured Dependent's right to convert to an individual policy will be presented to him or her or delivered to the individual's last known address within 15 days. If notice is not given within this 15-day period, the 31-day conversion period will be extended by 15 days after the date notice is given. However, in no event will the conversion period be extended for more than 60 days after the expiration date of the initial 31-day conversion period.

## ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

## **BENEFITS AND COVERAGES**

**Principal Sum.** As applicable to each Insured, Principal Sum means the amount(s) of insurance in force under this Policy on the date of the accident, as described in the Schedule. In no event will the total amount of Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance in force for an Insured exceed the AD&D Insurance Maximum shown in the Schedule.

As applicable to an Insured Dependent, Principal Sum means the amount of insurance in force under the Policy as described in the Schedule.

## **Accidental Death Benefit**

If Injury to the Insured Person results in death within 365 days of the date of the Accident that caused the Injury, the *Company* will pay 100% of the Principal Sum.

## **Accidental Dismemberment Benefit**

If Injury to the Insured Person results, within 365 days of the date of the Accident that caused the Injury, in any one of the Losses specified below, the *Company* will pay the percentage of the Principal Sum shown below for that Loss:

## For Loss of

## Percentage of Principal Sum

Both Hands or Both Feet	100%
Sight of Both Eyes	100%
One Hand and One Foot	100%
One Hand and the Sight of One Eye	100%
One Foot and the Sight of One Eye	100%
One Hand or One Foot	
Sight of One Eye	50%

If more than one Loss is sustained by an Insured Person as a result of the same accident, only one amount, the largest, will be paid.

## **Common Disaster Benefit**

If an Insured with Family Coverage in effect under the Policy and his or her Insured Spouse both suffer accidental death in the same accident within 90 days of the accident or from separate accidents occurring within a 24 hour period such that an Accidental Death benefit is payable under the Policy for both persons, the Insured Spouse's Principal Sum is increased to equal the lesser of: (1) \$300,000 (in \$50,000 increments); or (2) 100% of the Insured's Principal Sum.

## **Exposure and Disappearance**

If by reason of an accident occurring while an Insured Person's coverage is in force under the Policy, the Insured Person is unavoidably exposed to the elements and as a result of such exposure suffers a loss for which a benefit is otherwise payable under the Policy, the loss will be covered under the terms of the Policy.

If the body of an Insured Person has not been found within one year of the disappearance, forced landing, stranding, sinking or wrecking of a conveyance in which the person was an occupant while covered under the Policy, then it will be deemed, subject to all other terms and provisions of the Policy, that the Insured Person has suffered accidental death within the meaning of the Policy.

## **Repatriation of Remains Benefit**

If an Insured Person suffers loss of life due to Injury or Emergency Sickness while outside a 100 mile radius from his or her current place of primary residence, the *Company* will pay for covered expenses reasonably incurred to return his or her body to his or her current place of primary residence, up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Covered expenses include, but are not limited to, expenses for: (1) embalming or cremation; (2) the most economical coffins or receptacles adequate for transportation of the remains; and (3) transportation of the remains by the most direct and economical conveyance and route possible.

AIG Assist must make all arrangements and must authorize all expenses in advance for this benefit to be payable. The *Company* reserves the right to determine the benefit payable, including any reductions, if it was not reasonably possible to contact AIG Assist in advance.

Exclusion 2 in the Exclusions section of the Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefit provision in this Certificate does not apply with respect to this benefit.

## Seat Belt and Air Bag Benefit

**Seat Belt Benefit.** If the Insured Person suffers accidental death such that an Accidental Death benefit is payable under the Policy and the Accident causing death occurs while the Insured Person is operating, or riding as a passenger in, an Automobile and wearing a properly fastened, original, factory-installed seat belt or, if the person is a Dependent Child, a properly installed and fastened child restraint device as defined by state law, the *Company* will pay this additional benefit. The amount payable for this additional benefit is \$25,000.

**Air Bag Benefit.** If a Seat Belt Benefit is payable and if the Insured Person is positioned in a seat protected by a properly functioning, original, factory-installed Supplemental Restraint System that inflates on impact, the *Company* will pay an additional \$25,000.

Verification of the actual use of the seat belt, at the time of the accident, and that the Supplemental Restraint System inflated properly upon impact must be a part of an official report of the accident or be certified, in writing, by the investigating officer(s).

## **Tuition Benefit**

If an Insured suffers accidental death such that an Accidental Death benefit is payable under the Policy on the date of the Accident causing death, the *Company* will pay the following benefit:

For the Dependent Children under Age 23. The *Company* will pay a benefit to or on behalf of any Dependent Child under age 23 who was a dependent of the insured under the Policy on the date of the Accident causing death and who, on the date of the Insured's death: (1) is a full-time student in any Institution of Higher Learning above grade 12; or (2) is in grade 12 and subsequently enrolls as a full-time student in an Institution of Higher Learning within 365 days after the date of the Insured's death. The benefit will be paid for each year of the Dependent Child's continuous enrollment as a full-time student in an Institution of Higher Learning, to a maximum of four (4) consecutive years. The total amount of the benefit each year is equal to the least of:

- 1. the actual tuition (exclusive of room and board) charged by that institution for enrollment during that year for that Dependent Child;
- 2. 5% of the Insured's Principal Sum on the date of the Accident causing death; or
- 3. \$12,000.

The applicable portion of the yearly benefit for each term of enrollment is payable upon receipt of proof of enrollment for that term.

A Dependent Child who ceases to be enrolled as a full-time student becomes permanently ineligible for the benefit, even if he or she re-enrolls at a later date. The benefit is not payable for any term of enrollment as a full-time student that begins before the date of the Insured's death. If there is no Dependent Child under age 23 eligible for the benefit within 365 days after the date of the Insured's death, the *Company* will pay a one-time lump sum benefit of 1000 to the Insured's designated beneficiary.

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

The Policy does not cover any loss caused in whole or in part by, or resulting in whole or in part from, the following:

- 1. suicide or any attempt at intentionally self-inflicted injury;
- 2. sickness, disease or infections of any kind, except bacterial infections;
- 3. travel or flight in or on (including getting in or out of, or on or off of) any vehicle used for aerial navigation on a regular schedule between established airports, if the Insured Person is:
  - a. riding as a passenger in any aircraft not intended or licensed for the transportation of passengers; or
  - b. performing, learning to perform or instructing others to perform as a pilot or crew member of any aircraft; or
  - c. riding as a passenger in an aircraft owned, leased or operated by the Participating Employer or by the Insured Person's employer;
- 4. declared or undeclared War, or any act of declared or undeclared War;
- full-time active duty in the armed forces, National Guard or organized reserve corps of any country or international authority. (Unearned premium for any period for which the Insured Person is not covered due to his or her active duty status will be refunded.) (Loss caused while on short-term National Guard or reserve duty for regularly scheduled training purposes is not excluded.);
- 6. the Insured Person being under the influence of drugs or under the influence of drugs or alcohol or voluntary intake of poison, drugs, gas, or fumes or intoxicants, unless taken under the advice of a Physician; or
- 7. the Insured Person's commission of or attempt to commit a crime.

## SUPPLEMENTAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

## **BENEFITS AND COVERAGES**

**Principal Sum.** As applicable to each Insured, Principal Sum means the amount(s) of insurance in force under this Policy on the date of the accident, as described in the Schedule. In no event will the total amount of Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance in force for an Insured exceed the AD&D Insurance Maximum shown in the Schedule.

## **Accidental Death Benefit**

If Injury to the Insured Person results in death within 365 days of the date of the Accident that caused the Injury, the *Company* will pay 100% of the Principal Sum.

## **Accidental Dismemberment Benefit**

If Injury to the Insured Person results, within 365 days of the date of the Accident that caused the Injury, in any one of the Losses specified below, the *Company* will pay the percentage of the Principal Sum shown below for that Loss:

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## **Percentage of Principal Sum**

Both Hands or Both Feet	100%
Sight of Both Eyes	100%
One Hand and One Foot	100%
One Hand and the Sight of One Eye	100%
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If more than one Loss is sustained by an Insured Person as a result of the same accident, only one amount, the largest, will be paid.

## **Common Disaster Benefit**

If an Insured with Family Coverage in effect under the Policy and his or her Insured Spouse both suffer accidental death in the same accident within 90 days of the accident or from separate accidents occurring within a 24 hour period such that an Accidental Death benefit is payable under the Policy for both persons, the Insured Spouse's Principal Sum is increased to equal the lesser of: (1) \$300,000 (in \$50,000 increments); or (2) 100% of the Insured's Principal Sum.

## **Exposure and Disappearance**

If by reason of an accident occurring while an Insured Person's coverage is in force under the Policy, the Insured Person is unavoidably exposed to the elements and as a result of such exposure suffers a loss for which a benefit is otherwise payable under the Policy, the loss will be covered under the terms of the Policy.

If the body of an Insured Person has not been found within one year of the disappearance, forced landing, stranding, sinking or wrecking of a conveyance in which the person was an occupant while covered under the Policy, then it will be deemed, subject to all other terms and provisions of the Policy, that the Insured Person has suffered accidental death within the meaning of the Policy.

## **Repatriation of Remains Benefit**

If an Insured Person suffers loss of life due to Injury or Emergency Sickness while outside a 100 mile radius from his or her current place of primary residence, the *Company* will pay for covered expenses reasonably incurred to return his or her body to his or her current place of primary residence, up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Covered expenses include, but are not limited to, expenses for: (1) embalming or cremation; (2) the most economical coffins or receptacles adequate for transportation of the remains; and (3) transportation of the remains by the most direct and economical conveyance and route possible.

AIG Assist must make all arrangements and must authorize all expenses in advance for this benefit to be payable. The *Company* reserves the right to determine the benefit payable, including any reductions, if it was not reasonably possible to contact AIG Assist in advance.

Exclusion 2 in the Exclusions section of the Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefit provision in this Certificate does not apply with respect to this benefit.

## Seat Belt and Air Bag Benefit

**Seat Belt Benefit.** If the Insured Person suffers accidental death such that an Accidental Death benefit is payable under the Policy and the Accident causing death occurs while the Insured Person is operating, or riding as a passenger in, an Automobile and wearing a properly fastened, original, factory-installed seat belt or, if the person is a Dependent Child, a properly installed and fastened child restraint device as defined by state law, the *Company* will pay this additional benefit. The amount payable for this additional benefit is \$25,000.

**Air Bag Benefit.** If a Seat Belt Benefit is payable and if the Insured Person is positioned in a seat protected by a properly functioning, original, factory-installed Supplemental Restraint System that inflates on impact, the *Company* will pay an additional \$25,000.

Verification of the actual use of the seat belt, at the time of the accident, and that the Supplemental Restraint System inflated properly upon impact must be a part of an official report of the accident or be certified, in writing, by the investigating officer(s).

## **Tuition Benefit**

If an Insured suffers accidental death such that an Accidental Death benefit is payable under the Policy on the date of the Accident causing death, the *Company* will pay the following benefit:

For the Dependent Children under Age 23. The *Company* will pay a benefit to or on behalf of any Dependent Child under age 23 who was a dependent of the insured under the Policy on the date of the Accident causing death and who, on the date of the Insured's death: (1) is a full-time student in any Institution of Higher Learning above grade 12; or (2) is in grade 12 and subsequently enrolls as a full-time student in an Institution of Higher Learning within 365 days after the date of the Insured's death. The benefit will be paid for each year of the Dependent Child's continuous enrollment as a full-time student in an Institution of Higher Learning, to a maximum of four (4) consecutive years. The total amount of the benefit each year is equal to the least of:

- 1. the actual tuition (exclusive of room and board) charged by that institution for enrollment during that year for that Dependent Child;
- 2. 5% of the Insured's Principal Sum on the date of the Accident causing death; or
- 3. \$12,000.

The applicable portion of the yearly benefit for each term of enrollment is payable upon receipt of proof of enrollment for that term.

A Dependent Child who ceases to be enrolled as a full-time student becomes permanently ineligible for the benefit, even if he or she re-enrolls at a later date. The benefit is not payable for any term of enrollment as a full-time student that begins before the date of the Insured's death. If there is no Dependent Child under age 23 eligible for the benefit within 365 days after the date of the Insured's death, the *Company* will pay a one-time lump sum benefit of 1000 to the Insured's designated beneficiary.

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

The Policy does not cover any loss caused in whole or in part by, or resulting in whole or in part from, the following:

- 1. suicide or any attempt at intentionally self-inflicted injury;
- 2. sickness, disease or infections of any kind, except bacterial infections;
- 3. travel or flight in or on (including getting in or out of, or on or off of) any vehicle used for aerial navigation on a regular schedule between established airports, if the Insured Person is:
  - a. riding as a passenger in any aircraft not intended or licensed for the transportation of passengers; or
  - b. performing, learning to perform or instructing others to perform as a pilot or crew member of any aircraft; or
  - c. riding as a passenger in an aircraft owned, leased or operated by the Participating Employer or by the Insured Person's employer;
- 4. declared or undeclared War, or any act of declared or undeclared War;
- full-time active duty in the armed forces, National Guard or organized reserve corps of any country or international authority. (Unearned premium for any period for which the Insured Person is not covered due to his or her active duty status will be refunded.) (Loss caused while on short-term National Guard or reserve duty for regularly scheduled training purposes is not excluded.);
- 6. the Insured Person being under the influence of drugs or under the influence of drugs or alcohol or voluntary intake of poison, drugs, gas, or fumes or intoxicants, unless taken under the advice of a Physician; or
- 7. the Insured Person's commission of or attempt to commit a crime.

## Section V

#### **CLAIMS PROVISIONS**

**Notice of Claim.** Written notice of claim must be given to the *Company* within 20 days after an Insured Person's loss, or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible. Notice given by or on behalf of the claimant to the *Company* at P.O. Box 30098, Tampa, Florida 33630-3098, with information sufficient to identify the Insured Person, is deemed notice to the *Company*.

**Claim Forms.** The *Company* will send claim forms to the claimant upon receipt of a written notice of claim. If such forms are not sent within 31 days after the giving of notice, the claimant will be deemed to have met the proof of loss requirements upon submitting, within the time fixed in the Policy for filing proof of loss, written proof covering the occurrence, the character and the extent of the loss for which claim is made. The notice should include the Insured Person's name, Participating Employer's name and the Policy number.

**Proof of Loss.** Written proof of loss must be furnished to the *Company* within 90 days after the date of loss. If the loss is one for which the Policy requires continuing eligibility for periodic benefit payments, subsequent written proofs of eligibility must be furnished at such intervals as the *Company* may reasonably require. Failure to furnish such proof within the time required, will not reduce or deny any benefits if the proof is given as soon as reasonably possible. However, in no event, other than legal incapacity, will proof be given more than one year after the date of loss.

**Payment of Claims.** Upon receipt of due written proof of death, payment for loss of life of an Insured will be made to the Insured's beneficiary as described in the Beneficiary Designation and Change provision of the General Provisions section.

Upon receipt of due written proof of loss, payments for all losses, except loss of life, will be made to (or on behalf of, if applicable) the Insured. If an Insured dies before all payments due have been made, the amount still payable will be paid to his or her beneficiary as described in the Beneficiary Designation and Change provision of the General Provisions section.

If any benefit is payable to the estate of a person, or if any payee is a minor or otherwise not competent to give a valid release for the payment, the *Company* may make an initial payment, up to an amount not exceeding \$5,000, to any relative by blood or connection by marriage of the payee who is deemed by the *Company* to be equitably entitled thereto. Such payment does not discharge the *Company*'s liability for any remaining benefits payable under the Policy.

Any payment the *Company* makes in good faith fully discharges the *Company's* liability to the extent of the payment made.

**Time of Payment of Claims.** Benefits payable under the Policy for any loss other than loss for which the Policy provides any periodic payment will be paid immediately upon the *Company*'s receipt of due written proof of the loss. Subject to the *Company*'s receipt of due written proof of loss, all accrued benefits for loss for which the Policy provides periodic payment will be paid at the expiration of each month during the continuance of the period for which the *Company* is liable and any balance remaining unpaid upon termination of liability will be paid immediately upon receipt of such proof.

## Section VI

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Entire Contract; Changes.** The Policy, the Master Application, and any attached papers make up the entire contract between Participating Employer and the *Company*. In the absence of fraud, all statements made by the Participating Employer or any Insured Person will be considered representations and not warranties. No written statement made by an Insured will be used in any contest unless a copy of the statement is furnished to the Insured or his or her beneficiary or personal representative.

No change in the Policy will be valid until approved by an officer of the *Company*. The approval must be noted on or attached to the Policy. No agent may change the Policy or waive any of its provisions.

**Incontestability.** The validity of the Policy will not be contested after it has been in force for two years from the Plan Effective Date, except for non-payment of premium, misrepresentation or fraud.

After an Insured Person has been covered under the Policy for two years no statement made by the Insured Person will be used to contest a claim under the Policy. The *Company* can only contest coverage if the misstatement is made in a written instrument signed by the Insured Person and a copy is given to the Participating Employer, the Insured Person or the Insured Person's beneficiary.

**Interpretation of the Policy.** This policy is delivered in and is governed by the laws of the governing jurisdiction and to the extent applicable, by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and any amendments thereto.

If this policy comprises a part of an employee benefits plan, the *Company* is granted the sole discretionary authority to determine eligibility, make all factual determinations and to construe all terms of this policy. The *Company* has no responsibility or control with respect to any other benefit which may be provided beyond this policy or any other plan of benefits.

**Beneficiary Designation and Change.** The Insured's designated beneficiary(ies) is (are) the person(s) so named by the Insured for the Policy as shown on the Participating Employer's records kept on the Policy. The Insured Dependent's beneficiary is the Insured.

A legally competent Insured over the age of majority may change his or her beneficiary designation at any time, unless an irrevocable designation has been made. The change may be executed, without the consent of the designated beneficiary(ies), by providing the *Company*, Administrator, or broker or, if agreed upon in advance by the *Company*, the Participating Employer with a written request for change. When the request is received by the *Company*, Administrator, or broker or, if agreed upon in advance by the *Company*, the Participating Employer, whether the Insured Person is then living or not, the change of beneficiary will relate back to and take effect as of the date of execution of the written request, but without prejudice to the *Company* on account of any payment which is made prior to receipt of the request.

If there is no designated beneficiary, or if no designated beneficiary is living after the Insured's death, the benefits will be paid, in equal shares, to the survivors in the first surviving class of those that follow: The Insured's (1) Spouse; (2) children; (3) parents; or (4) brothers and sisters. If no class has a survivor, the beneficiary is the Insured Person's estate.

If no beneficiary for an Insured Dependent's coverage is living on the date of the Insured Dependent's death, the beneficiary is the Insured's estate.

## Section VI

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Honoring Beneficiary Information from a Prior Plan.** The Insured's beneficiary should be named on a form acceptable to the *Company*. If not, the *Company* may make all payments to the last person named by the Insured as a beneficiary under a policy that ended before becoming insured under the Policy.

The *Company* may use information from the prior carrier's records to determine any payment made such as:

- 1. information about the last beneficiary named by the Insured under the Policy, or any other group policy; or
- 2. information that the Insured named no beneficiary under the Policy, or any other group Policy.

If information shows that no beneficiary was named, the *Company* may make all payment to anyone it selects under the provisions for Payment of Benefits.

**Physical Examination and Autopsy.** The *Company* at its own expense shall have the right and opportunity to examine the person of any individual whose loss is the basis of claim under the Policy as often as it may reasonably require during the review of the claim, and to make an autopsy in case of death where it is not forbidden by law.

**Legal Actions.** No action at law or in equity shall be brought to recover on the Policy prior to the expiration of 60 days after written proof of loss has been furnished in accordance with the requirements of the Policy. No such action shall be brought after the expiration of three years after the time written proof of loss is required to be furnished.

**Noncompliance with Policy Requirements.** Any express waiver by the *Company* of any requirements of the Policy will not constitute a continuing waiver of such requirements. Any failure by the *Company* to insist upon compliance with any Policy provision will not operate as a waiver or amendment of that provision.

**Conformity with State Statutes.** Any provision of the Policy which, as of its Plan Effective Date, is in conflict with the statutes of the state in which the Policy is delivered is hereby amended to conform to the minimum requirements of such statutes.

**Workers' Compensation.** The Policy is not in lieu of and does not affect any requirements for coverage by any Workers' Compensation Act or similar law.

**Clerical Error.** A purely clerical error, which arises from other than a failure to perform administrative duties hereunder, whether by the Participating Employer or the *Company*, will not void the insurance of any Insured Person if that insurance would otherwise have been in effect; nor will it extend insurance of such person if that insurance would otherwise have ended or been reduced as provided in the Policy. Clerical error may be, by illustration but not limitation, errors in transcription or computation, but is not, by illustration but not limitation, a failure to advise Insured Persons of procedural requirements.

**Assignment.** The Policy is non-assignable. An Insured may assign all of his or her rights, privileges and benefits under the Policy without the consent of his or her beneficiary. The *Company* is not bound by an assignment until the *Company* receives and files a signed copy. The *Company* is not responsible for the validity of assignments. The assignee only takes such rights as the assignor possessed and such rights are subject to state and federal laws and the terms of the Policy.

**Misstatement of Facts.** If the material facts, including age, of the Insured Person were not accurate in the application to the Policy:

- 1. a fair adjustment of premium will be made; and
- 2. the true facts, including true age, will decide whether and in what amount of insurance is in force under the Policy.

## Section VI

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Facility of Payment.** If an individual appears to the *Company* to be equitably entitled to compensation because he or she has incurred expenses on behalf of an Insured Person or for burial or funeral expenses, the *Company* may deduct from the amount payable under the Policy to be paid to such individual the expenses incurred, but not more than \$2,000. Such payment will not exceed the amount due under the Policy.

**Settlement Options.** The Insured may elect to have all or any part of his or her Life Insurance Benefit Amount(s) paid to his or her beneficiary in installments or in any other way that may be agreed to by the *Company*. The Insured must give notice in writing to elect a settlement option. The Insured will have the right to change the election at any time. The terms of payment will be in accordance with those offered by the *Company* for the insurance at the time election is made.

After the Insured's death, the beneficiary:

- 1. may make such an election, if the Insured had not done so; and
- 2. may name a person(s) to receive any amount which would otherwise go to the beneficiary's estate; and
- 3. will have the right to change the person(s) named in accordance with 2. above.

Interest on Death Benefits Payable in a Lump Sum. Interest on Life Insurance Benefit Amount(s) paid in a lump sum for the loss of life of the Insured Person shall be paid to the Insured Person's beneficiary. Such interest shall be computed daily at the rate of interest currently payable by the *Company* on proceeds left under the interest settlement option, from the date of death of the Insured Person to the date of payment. Such amount shall be added to and be a part of the total Life Insurance Benefit Amount(s) paid for loss of life.

**Agency.** For the purposes of the Policy, the Participating Employer acts on its own behalf or as the agent of the Insured Person. Under no circumstances will the Participating Employer be deemed the agent of the *Company* without written authorization.

#### NOTICE CONCERNING COVERAGE

## LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS UNDER THE OHIO LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION ACT

Residents of Ohio who purchase life insurance, annuities or health insurance should know that the insurance companies licensed in this state to write these types of insurance are members of the Ohio Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association. The purpose of this association is to assure that policyholders will be protected, within limits, in the unlikely event that a member insurer becomes financially unable to meet its obligations. If this should happen, the guaranty association will assess its other member insurance companies for the money to pay the claims of insured persons who live in this state and, in some cases, to keep coverage in force. The valuable extra protection provided by these insurers through the guaranty association is not unlimited, however. And, as noted in the box below, this protection is not a substitute for consumers' case in selecting companies that are well-managed and financially stable.

The Ohio Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association may not provide coverage for this policy. If coverage is provided, it may be subject to substantial limitations or exclusions, and require continued residency in Ohio. You should not rely on coverage by the Ohio Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association in selecting an insurance company or in selecting an insurance policy.

Coverage is NOT provided for your policy or any portion of it that is not guaranteed by the insurer or for which you have assumed the risk, such as a variable contract sold by prospectus. You should check with your insurance company representative to determine if you are only covered in part or not covered at all.

Insurance companies or their agents are required by law to give or send you this notice. However, insurance companies and their agents are prohibited by law from using the existence of the guaranty association to induce you to purchase any kind of insurance policy.

Ohio Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association 1840 Mackenzie Drive Columbus. Ohio 43220

The state law that provides for this safety-net coverage is called the Ohio Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act. Following is a brief summary of this law's coverages, exclusions and limits. This summary does not cover all provisions of the law nor does it in any way change anyone's rights or obligations under the act or the rights or obligations of the guaranty association.

#### COVERAGE

Generally, individuals will be protected by the life and health insurance guaranty association if they live in Ohio and hold a life or health insurance contract, annuity contract, unallocated annuity contract, or if they are insured under a group insurance contract, issued by a member insurer. The beneficiaries, payees or assignees of insured persons are protected as well, even if they live in another state.

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## **EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE**

However, persons holding such policies are not protected by this association if:

- they are eligible for protection under the laws of another state (this may occur when the insolvent insurer was incorporated in another state whose guaranty association protects insureds who live outside that state);
- the insurer was not authorized to do business in this state;
- their policy was issued by a medical, health or dental care corporation, an HMO, a fraternal benefit society, a mutual protective association or similar plan in which the policyholder is subject to future assessments, or by an insurance exchange.

The association also does not provide coverage for:

- any policy or portion of a policy which is not guaranteed by the insurer or for which the individual has assumed the risk, such as a variable contract sold by prospectus;
- any policy of reinsurance (unless an assumption certificate was issued);
- interest rate yields that exceed an average rate;
- dividends;
- credits given in connection with the administration of a policy by a group contract holder;
- employers' plans to the extent they are self-funded (that is, not insured by an insurance company, even if an insurance company administers them).

#### LIMITS ON AMOUNT OF COVERAGE

The act also limits the amount the association is obligated to pay out: The association cannot pay more than what the insurance company would owe under a policy or contract. Also, for any one insured life, the association will pay a maximum of \$300,000 - no matter how many policies and contracts there were with the same company, even if they provided different types of coverages. Within this overall \$300,000 limit, the association will not pay more than \$100,000 in cash surrender values, \$100,000 in health insurance benefits, \$100,000 in present value of annuities, or \$300,000 in life insurance death benefits - again, no matter how many policies and contracts there were with the same company, and no matter how many different types of coverages.

Note to benefit plan trustees or other holders of unallocated annuities (GICs, DACs, etc.) covered by the act: For unallocated annuities that fund governmental retirement plans under 401(k), 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, the limit is \$100,000 in present value of annuity benefits including net cash surrender and net cash withdrawal per participating individual. In no event shall the association be liable to spend more than \$300,000 in the aggregate per individual. For covered unallocated annuities that fund other plans, a special limit of \$1,000,000 applies to each contract holder, regardless of the number of contracts held with the same company or number of persons covered. In all cases, of course, the contract limits also apply.

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