# PROTECTION FOR YOU AND YOUR INSURANCE POLICY THE WASHINGTON LIFE AND DISABILITY INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION

#### **PREFACE**

This brochure briefly describes the coverage provided through the Washington Life & Disability Insurance Guaranty Association ("Association").

The Association is a nonprofit unincorporated legal entity created by the Washington Life and Disability Insurance Guaranty Association Act, Chapter 48.32A RCW ("Act"). Every life and disability insurance company authorized to do business in Washington is a member of the Association. A Board of Directors ("Board"), composed of representatives from member insurers, and the Insurance Commissioner, ex officio, oversee the operation of the Association.

The expenses of the Association are paid by assessments made against each member insurer. Persons covered by the Act are not charged for the expenses of the Association or the protection provided under the Act.

Coverage is provided for certain life and disability insurance. However, the Association does not cover all such insurance. Coverage that is provided is subject to the limitations and exclusions provided by the Act.

The purpose of this brochure is to help you understand the general nature and the conditions of the protection provided under the Act. It is only a summary, however, and if you have specific questions that are not discussed here you may contact either the Association or the Office of the Insurance Commissioner.

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#### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

#### 1. WHAT INSURANCE POLICIES ARE COVERED UNDER THE ACT?

The Act applies to life insurance policies, disability insurance policies, and annuity contracts issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in Washington. The term "disability insurance," as used in the Act, includes not only disability income insurance, but also policies commonly referred to as "health insurance" (which includes long term care policies). Together, all of these policies and contracts are sometimes referred to as "covered policies," a term used in this brochure.

#### 2. ARE THERE POLICIES OR INSURERS NOT COVERED BY THE ACT?

The Act specifically excludes certain types of policies or portions of policies, including, but not limited to: The portion of a policy not guaranteed by the insurer; the portion of a policy to the extent the interest rate or crediting rate exceeds the limits in the Act; policies of reinsurance, unless assumption certificates have been issued; policies issued in Washington by an insurer at a time when the insurer was not licensed or did not have a certificate of authority; policies issued to a self-insured plan or program; certain unallocated employee benefit plan annuities protected by federal law; and unallocated annuity contracts not issued to or in connection with a benefit plan or a government lottery.

The Act also does not apply to policies or contracts issued by health care service contractors, health maintenance organizations, fraternal benefit societies, self funded multiple employer welfare arrangements, mandatory state pooling plans, mutual assessment companies, insurance exchanges, or an organization that has a certificate or license limited to issuance of certain charitable gift annuities.

#### 3. WHO IS PROTECTED UNDER THE ACT?

You are covered by the Act if you are an owner of or certificate holder under a policy or contract (other than an unallocated annuity contract or structured settlement annuity), and:

You are a Washington resident; or

You are not a Washington resident, but only if: the insurer is domiciled in Washington; there is an association similar to the Washington Association in your state of residency; and you are not covered in your state of residency, because the insurer was not licensed in that state; or

You are a beneficiary, assignee, or payee of one of the above, regardless of where you reside (except for nonresident certificate holders under group policies).

Owners of unallocated annuity contracts are covered if the contract was issued to or in connection with a specific benefit plan whose plan sponsor has its principal place of business in Washington, or the contract was issued to or in connection with a government lottery and the owner is a Washington resident.

#### 4. HOW DOES THE ASSOCIATION PROTECT COVERED PERSONS AGAINST LOSS?

After an order of liquidation is entered against a company, the Association begins its work of carrying out the purpose of the Act, which is to assure the performance of insurance obligations of that company. The Association is authorized to carry out its duties by working with insurance companies in good standing to assume or take over the covered policies. The association may also directly provide benefits and coverage as authorized by the Act. The Association has the authority to collect the funds necessary to provide protection to covered persons against losses on their covered policies.

# 5. WHERE DOES THE ASSOCIATION GET THE MONEY TO PROVIDE THIS PROTECTION?

The Association is authorized to collect money from all life and disability insurance companies doing business in Washington. The funds collected from an assessment are used to pay claims to covered persons and/or to fund the assumption of covered policies by another insurer.

# 6. DOES THE ASSOCIATION PAY OUT THE MONEY IT COLLECTS RIGHT AWAY OR DO COVERED PERSONS HAVE TO WAIT?

The Association generally cannot make an assessment for covered policies issued by a company until after an order of liquidation has been entered against the company, and a reasonable estimate can be made of the amount of money needed. Insurance companies receiving an assessment notice must make their payments within thirty days.

Because it takes time for an action to be commenced against a financially impaired insurer, for a Court to issue an order, and for funds to be collected to satisfy the obligations of that insurer, some delay, hopefully short, is unavoidable before payments can be made. Although it is impossible to predict how long this process will take in any given case, an average time period of twelve to eighteen months is not unusual.

When necessary, the Association may borrow money to make payments more promptly, particularly in cases that will take an unusual amount of time to be resolved.

# 7. WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF PROTECTION PROVIDED BY THE ACT?

The Act provides the following maximum amounts of protection:

Life Insurance Death Benefits	\$500,000
Disability Benefits and Health Benefits (including Long Term Care Benefits)	\$500,000
Present Value of Individual Annuities	\$500,000
Unallocated Annuity Contracts, other than certain government retirement plans (limit is per contract owner or plan sponsor)	\$5,000,000

Government Retirement Plans in

Unallocated Annuities established	
under Internal Revenue Code § § 401, 403(b), or 457	
(limit is per participant)	\$100,000

This protection becomes effective at the time of entry of a Court order of liquidation against the insurer. Of course, if the amount owed under the contract or policy is less than the maximum benefit under the Act, the covered person will be entitled to protection only up to the actual amount owed.

Furthermore, the maximum protection available to each covered person remains the same, regardless of the number of contracts through which he or she has a claim.

8. IF A HUSBAND AND WIFE EACH INDIVIDUALLY OWN A COVERED POLICY, IS THE PROTECTION UNDER THE ACT PROVIDED TO EACH OF THEM?

Yes. As long as the residency requirements are met, both would be entitled to the protection provided by the Act, up to the maximum amount.

9. WHY DOESN'T MY INSURANCE COMPANY ADVERTISE THE FACT THAT ITS POLICIES AND CONTRACTS ARE PROTECTED UNDER THE ACT?

Under Washington law, insurance companies are prohibited from advertising that their policies or contracts may be covered under the Act.

10. WHY HASN'T MY AGENT TOLD ME ABOUT THE GUARANTY ACT?

Your insurance agent is subject to the same prohibitions as your insurance company. As a representative of the company, an agent must exercise great care when soliciting business and consequently, will generally not discuss the subject of a guaranty act with clients.

11. WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I BELIEVE THERE HAS BEEN A VIOLATION OF THE ACT?

You should contact the Association if you believe your rights have been violated under the Act. If you are dissatisfied with the actions of the Association, you may also contact the Office of the Insurance Commissioner.

# **CONCLUSION**

This brochure has been prepared by the Washington Life and Disability Insurance Guaranty Association. Its purpose is to inform the public in a general way of the protections that are available in this state on insurance policies and annuity contracts issued by companies authorized to do business in Washington. The Association does not, by this brochure, endorse any company or its products, but rather seeks to address some of the concerns that you may have regarding the security of insurance policies and annuity contracts.

For more information or answers to specific questions you may contact the Washington Life and Disability Insurance Guaranty Association or the Office of the Insurance Commissioner, whose addresses and telephone numbers are shown in the Preface.



# STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY

A Stock Life Insurance Company 900 SW Fifth Avenue Portland, Oregon 97204-1282 (503) 321-7000

# CERTIFICATE AND SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

Policyholder: Seattle Pacific University
Policy Number: 166506-A
Effective Date: January 1, 2020

A Group Policy has been issued to the Policyholder. We certify that you will be insured as provided by the terms of the Group Policy. If your coverage is changed by an amendment to the Group Policy, we will provide the Policyholder with a revised Certificate or other notice to be given to you.

This policy includes an Accelerated Benefit. Death benefits will be reduced if an Accelerated Benefit is paid. The receipt of this benefit may be taxable and may affect your eligibility for Medicaid or other government benefits or entitlements. However, if you meet the definition of "terminally ill individual" according to the Internal Revenue Code Section 101, your Accelerated Benefit may be non-taxable. You should consult your personal tax and/or legal advisor before you apply for an Accelerated Benefit.

Possession of this Certificate does not necessarily mean you are insured. You are insured only if you meet the requirements set out in this Certificate. If the terms of the Certificate differ from the Group Policy, the terms stated in the Group Policy will govern.

"We", "us" and "our" mean Standard Insurance Company. "You" and "your" mean the Member. All other defined terms appear with the initial letter capitalized. Section headings, and references to them, appear in boldface type.

Chairman, President and CEO

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All Presidents

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#### **COVERAGE FEATURES**

This section contains many of the features of your group life insurance. Other provisions, including exclusions and limitations, appear in other sections. Please refer to the text of each section for full details. The Table of Contents and the Index of Defined Terms help locate sections and definitions.

# GENERAL POLICY INFORMATION

Group Policy Number: 166506-A

Type of Insurance Provided:

Life Insurance: Yes

Dependents Life Insurance: Yes

Accidental Death And Dismemberment

(AD&D) Insurance: Yes

Policyholder: Seattle Pacific University
Employer(s): Seattle Pacific University

Group Policy Effective Date: January 1, 2020
Policy Issued in: Washington

# **BECOMING INSURED**

To become insured for Life Insurance you must: (a) Be a Member; (b) Complete your Eligibility Waiting Period; and (c) Meet the requirements in **Life Insurance** and **Active Work Provisions**. The requirements for becoming insured for coverages other than Life Insurance are set out in the text.

Definition of Member: You are a Member if you are:

1. An active employee of the Employer; and

2. Regularly working at least 20 hours each week.

You are not a Member if you are:

1. A temporary or seasonal employee.

2. A leased employee.

3. An independent contractor.

4. A full time member of the armed forces of any country.

Class Definition: All Presidents

This Summary Plan Description applies to the class listed above. Other classes are also covered under the Plan. Contact your Plan Administrator for further information.

Eligibility Waiting Period: You are eligible on one of the following dates, but not before the

**Group Policy Effective Date:** 

If you are a Member on the Group Policy Effective Date, you are eligible on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following 30 consecutive days as a Member.

Evidence Of Insurability:

If you become a Member after the Group Policy Effective Date, you are eligible on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following 30 consecutive days as a Member.

# Required:

- a. For late application for Contributory insurance.
- b. For reinstatements if required.
- For Members and Dependents eligible but not insured under the Prior Plan.
- d. For any Plan 2 Life Insurance Benefit in excess of the Guarantee Issue Amount of \$150,000. However, this requirement will be waived on the Group Policy Effective Date for an amount equal to the amount of additional life insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, if you apply on or before the Group Policy Effective Date.
- e. For any Dependents Life Insurance Benefit for your Spouse in excess of the Guarantee Issue Amount of \$25,000. However, this requirement will be waived on the Group Policy Effective Date for an amount equal to the amount of dependents life insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, if you apply on or before the Group Policy Effective Date.
- f. For any increase resulting from a plan or option change you elect

**Certain Evidence Of Insurability Requirements Will Be Waived.** Your insurance is subject to all other terms of the Group Policy.

# One Time Open Enrollment Period: from November 11, 2019 through November 20, 2019

If you were eligible for or insured for additional life insurance or dependents life insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, certain Evidence Of Insurability requirements will be waived with respect to Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance and Dependents Life Insurance.

- 1. If you were eligible but not insured for additional life insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, requirements a. and c. above will be waived for you if you apply for an amount of Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance up to the Guarantee Issue Amount during your Employer's One Time Open Enrollment Period. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance Benefit that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.
- 2. If you were insured for an amount of additional life insurance less than the Guarantee Issue Amount under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, requirement f. above will be waived for you if you apply for an increase in your Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance up to the Guarantee Issue Amount during your Employer's One Time Open Enrollment Period. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance Benefit that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.
- 3. If your Spouse was eligible but not insured for dependents life insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, requirements a. and c. above will be waived for your Spouse if you apply for Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse in one or two increments of \$5,000 during your Employer's One Time Open Enrollment Period. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Dependents Life Insurance Benefit that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.
- 4. If your Spouse was insured for an amount of dependents life insurance less than the Guarantee Issue Amount under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, requirement f. above will be waived for

your Spouse if you apply for an increase in Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse by one or two increments of \$5,000 during your Employer's One Time Open Enrollment Period. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Dependents Life Insurance Benefit for your Spouse that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.

- 5. If your Child was eligible but not insured for dependents life insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, requirements a. and c. above will be waived for your Child if you apply for Dependents Life Insurance for your Child up to \$10,000 during your Employer's One Time Open Enrollment Period.
- 6. If your Child was insured for an amount of dependents life insurance less than \$10,000 under the Prior Plan on the day before the Group Policy Effective Date, requirement f. above will be waived for your Child if you apply for an increase in Dependents Life Insurance for your Child up to \$10,000 during your Employer's One Time Open Enrollment Period.

#### **During Your Employer's Annual Open Enrollment Period**

During your Employer's Annual Enrollment Period certain Evidence Of Insurability requirements will be waived with respect to Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance and Dependents Life Insurance. However, we will not waive the Evidence Of Insurability requirements if you, your Spouse or Child previously submitted Evidence Of Insurability that was not approved by us under any group policy issued by us to the Policyholder or covering your Employer.

- 1. If you are eligible but not insured for Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance, requirements a. and c. above will be waived for you if you apply for an amount of Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance Spouse in one or two increments of \$10,000 during your Employer's Annual Open Enrollment. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance Benefit that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.
- 2. If you are insured for an amount of Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance less than the Guarantee Issue Amount, requirement f. above will be waived for you if you apply for an increase in your Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance Spouse in one or two increments of \$10,000 during your Employer's Annual Open Enrollment. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance Benefit that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.
- 3. If your Spouse is eligible but not insured for Dependents Life Insurance, requirement a. and c. above will be waived for your Spouse if you apply for Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse in one or two increments of \$5,000 during the Annual Enrollment Period. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Dependents Life Insurance Benefit for your Spouse that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.
- 4. If your Spouse is insured for an amount of Dependents Life Insurance less than the Guarantee Issue Amount, requirement f. above will be waived if you apply for an increase in your Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse by one or two increments of \$5,000 during the Annual Enrollment Period. However, Evidence Of Insurability is required to become insured for any Dependents Life Insurance Benefit for your Spouse that exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount.
- 5. If your Child is eligible but not insured for Dependents Life Insurance, requirements a. and c. above will be waived for your Child if you apply for Dependents Life Insurance for your Child up to \$10,000 during your Employer's Annual Open Enrollment.
- 6. If your Child is insured for an amount of Dependents Life Insurance less than \$10,000, requirement f. above will be waived for your Child if you apply for an increase in Dependents Life Insurance for your Child up to \$10,000 during your Employer's Annual Open Enrollment.

Annual Enrollment Period means the period designated each year by your Employer when you may change insurance elections.

#### PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Life Insurance:

Plan 1: Noncontributory

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Plan 2: Contributory

AD&D Insurance: Noncontributory

Dependents Life Insurance:

Spouse: Contributory
Child: Contributory

#### SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE

#### SCHEDULE OF LIFE INSURANCE

#### For you:

#### Life Insurance Benefit:

You will become insured under Plan 1 if you meet the requirements to become insured under the Group Policy.

If you are insured under Plan 1, you may also become insured under Plan 2 if you meet the requirements to become insured under Plan 2 Life Insurance under the Group Policy. Plan 2 is a Contributory plan requiring premium contributions from Members.

Plan 1 (basic): 2 times your Annual Earnings, rounded to the next higher multiple

of \$1,000, if not already a multiple of \$1,000 plus \$100,000. The

maximum amount is \$750,000.

Plan 2 (additional): You may apply for Life Insurance in multiples of \$10,000, from

\$10,000 to \$500,000.

The combined maximum benefit of your Plan 1 (basic) and Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance Benefit may not

exceed 8 times your Annual Earnings.

The Repatriation Benefit:

The expenses incurred to transport your body to a mortuary near

your primary place of residence, but not to exceed \$5,000 or 10%

of the Life Insurance Benefit, whichever is less.

#### Dependents Life Insurance Benefit:

If you are insured under Plan 2 Life Insurance, you may apply for Dependents Life Insurance for your Dependents. You may elect to insure your Spouse, your Child, or both.

For your Spouse: You may apply for Dependents Life Insurance in multiples of

\$5,000 from \$5,000 to \$250,000.

The amount of Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse may not exceed 100% of the amount of your Plan 2  $^{\circ}$ 

Life Insurance.

For your Child: You may apply for Dependents Life Insurance in multiples of

\$2,000 from \$2,000 to \$10,000.

The amount of Dependents Life Insurance for your Child may not exceed 100% of the amount of your Plan 2 Life Insurance.

#### SCHEDULE OF AD&D INSURANCE

For you:

AD&D Insurance Benefit: If you are insured for Plan 1 Life Insurance, you are insured for

AD&D Insurance. The amount of your AD&D Insurance Benefit is equal to the amount of your Plan 1 Life Insurance Benefit. The amount payable for certain Losses is less than 100% of the AD&D

Insurance Benefit. See AD&D Table Of Losses.

Seat Belt Benefit: The amount of the Seat Belt Benefit is the lesser of (1) \$10,000 or

(2) the amount of AD&D Insurance Benefit payable for loss of life.

Air Bag Benefit: The amount of the Air Bag Benefit is the lesser of (1) \$5,000; or (2)

the amount of AD&D Insurance Benefit payable for Loss of your life.

Career Adjustment Benefit: The tuition expenses for training incurred by your Spouse within

36 months after the date of your death, exclusive of board and room, books, fees, supplies and other expenses, but not to exceed \$5,000 per year, or the cumulative total of \$10,000 or 25% of the

AD&D Insurance Benefit, whichever is less.

Child Care Benefit: The total child care expense incurred by your Spouse within 36

months after the date of your death for all Children under age 13, but not to exceed \$5,000 per year, or the cumulative total of \$10,000 or 25% of the AD&D Insurance Benefit, whichever is less.

Higher Education Benefit: The tuition expenses incurred per Child within 4 years after the

date of your death at an accredited institution of higher education, exclusive of board and room, books, fees, supplies and other expenses, but not to exceed \$5,000 per year, or the cumulative total of \$20,000 or 25% of the AD&D Insurance Benefit, whichever is

less.

Occupational Assault Benefit: The lesser of (1) \$25,000; or (2) 50% of the amount of the AD&D

Insurance Benefit otherwise payable for the Loss.

Public Transportation Benefit: The lesser of (1) \$200,000; or (2) 100% of the amount of the AD&D

Insurance Benefit otherwise payable for the Loss of your life.

# AD&D TABLE OF LOSSES

The amount payable is a percentage of the AD&D Insurance Benefit in effect on the date of the accident and is determined by the Loss suffered as shown in the following table:

Loss	:	Percentage Payable:
a.	Life	100%
b.	One hand or one foot	50%
C.	Sight in one eye, speech, or hearing in both ears	50%
d.	Two or more of the Losses lis in b. and c. above	ted 100%
e.	Thumb and index finger of th same hand	e 25%*
f.	Quadriplegia	100%**

g. Hemiplegia 50% \*\*

h. Paraplegia 50% \*\*

i. Coma 1% per month of the

remainder of the AD&D Insurance Benefit payable for Loss of life after reduction by any AD&D Insurance Benefit paid for

any other Loss as a result of the same accident.

Payments for coma will not

exceed a maximum of 12

months.

No more than 100% of your AD&D Insurance will be paid for all Losses resulting from one accident.

\* No AD&D Insurance Benefit will be paid for Loss of thumb and index finger of the same hand if an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for the Loss of that entire hand.

\*\* No AD&D Insurance Benefit will be paid for loss of a hand or foot if an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for Quadriplegia, Hemiplegia, or Paraplegia involving that same hand or foot.

# REDUCTIONS IN INSURANCE

If you or your Spouse reach an age shown below, the amount of insurance will be the amount determined from the Schedule Of Insurance, multiplied by the appropriate percentage below:

# Plan 1 Life and AD&D Insurance:

Age Of Member Percentage

70 through 74 65% 75 or over 50%

Plan 2 Life Insurance:

Age Of Member Percentage

70 through 74 65% 75 or over 50%

Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse:

Age Of Spouse Percentage

70 through 74 65% 75 or over 50%

#### OTHER BENEFITS

Waiver Of Premium: Yes
Accelerated Benefit: Yes

# OTHER PROVISIONS

Limits on Right To Convert if Group Policy terminates or is amended:

Minimum Time Insured: 5 years

Maximum Conversion Amount: \$2,000

Leave Of Absence Period: 60 days

Strike Continuation: Yes. The Strike Continuation premium percentage is 100% of the

Premium Rate.

Annual Earnings based on: Earnings in effect on your last full day of Active Work.

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#### ERISA SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION

Name of Plan: Life, AD&D and Dependents Life Insurance

Name, Address of Plan Sponsor: Seattle Pacific University

330 W. Nickerson St. Seattle, WA 98119

Plan Sponsor Tax ID Number: 91-0565553

Plan Number: 507

Type of Plan: Group Insurance Plan

Type of Administration: Contract Administration

Name, Address, Phone

Number of Plan Administrator: Plan Sponsor

(206) 281-2676

Name, Address of Registered Agent

for Service of Legal Process: Plan Administrator

If Legal Process Involves Claims For Benefits Under The Group Policy, Additional Notification of

Legal Process Must Be Sent To: Standard Insurance Company

1100 SW 6th Ave

Portland OR 97204-1093

Sources of Contributions: Employer/Member

Funding Medium: Standard Insurance Company - Fully Insured

Plan Fiscal Year End: December 31

#### LIFE INSURANCE

# A. Insuring Clause

If you die while insured for Life Insurance, we will pay benefits according to the terms of the Group Policy after we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

#### B. Amount Of Life Insurance

See the **Coverage Features** for the Life Insurance schedule.

#### C. Changes In Life Insurance

#### 1. Increases

You must apply in writing for any elective increase in your Life Insurance.

Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, an increase in your Life Insurance becomes effective as follows:

a. Increases Subject To Evidence Of Insurability

An increase in your Life Insurance subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on the date we approve your Evidence Of Insurability.

b. Increases Not Subject To Evidence Of Insurability

An increase in your Life Insurance not subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on:

- (i) The first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date you apply for an elective increase or the date of change in your classification, age or Annual Earnings.
- (ii) The beginning of the next plan year following the date you apply, if you apply during an Annual Enrollment Period.

#### 2. Decreases

A decrease in your Life Insurance because of a change in your classification, age or Annual Earnings becomes effective on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date of the change.

Any other decrease in your Life Insurance becomes effective on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date the Policyholder or your Employer receives your written request for the decrease.

#### D. Repatriation Benefit

The amount of the Repatriation Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Repatriation Benefit if all of the following requirements are met.

- 1. A Life Insurance Benefit is payable because of your death.
- 2. You die more than 200 miles from your primary place of residence.
- 3. Expenses are incurred to transport your body to a mortuary near your primary place of residence.

#### E. When Life Insurance Becomes Effective

The **Coverage Features** states whether your Life Insurance is Contributory or Noncontributory.

Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, your Life Insurance becomes effective as follows:

1. Life Insurance subject to Evidence Of Insurability

Life Insurance subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on the date we approve your Evidence Of Insurability.

#### 2. Life Insurance not subject to Evidence Of Insurability

a. Noncontributory Life Insurance

Noncontributory Life Insurance not subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on the date you become eligible.

#### b. Contributory Life Insurance

You must apply in writing for Contributory Life Insurance and agree to pay premiums. Contributory Life Insurance not subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on:

- (i) The date you become eligible if you apply on or before that date.
- (ii) The date you apply if you apply within 31 days after you become eligible.
- (iii) The beginning of the next plan year following the date you apply, if you apply during the Annual Enrollment Period.

Late application: Evidence Of Insurability is required if you apply more than 31 days after you become eligible.

#### 3. Takeover Provision

- a. If you were insured under the Prior Plan on the day before the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy, your Eligibility Waiting Period is waived on the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy.
- b. You must submit satisfactory Evidence Of Insurability to become insured for Life Insurance if you were eligible under the Prior Plan for more than 31 days but were not insured.

#### F. When Life Insurance Ends

Life Insurance ends automatically on the earliest of:

- 1. The date the last period ends for which a premium was paid for your Life Insurance;
- 2. The date the Group Policy terminates;
- 3. The date your employment terminates; and
- 4. The date you cease to be a Member. However, if you cease to be a Member because you are working less than the required minimum number of hours, your Life Insurance will be continued with premium payment during the following periods, unless it ends under 1 through 3 above.
  - a. While your Employer is paying you at least the same Annual Earnings paid to you immediately before you ceased to be a Member.
  - b. While your ability to work is limited because of Sickness, Injury, or Pregnancy.
  - c. During the first 60 days of a temporary layoff.
  - d. During a leave of absence if continuation of your insurance under the Group Policy is required by a state-mandated family or medical leave act or law.
  - e. During any other scheduled leave of absence approved by your Employer in advance and in writing and lasting not more than the period shown in the **Coverage Features**.

#### G. Reinstatement Of Life Insurance

If your Life Insurance ends, you may become insured again as a new Member. However, 1 through 4 below will apply.

- 1. If your Life Insurance ends because you cease to be a Member, and if you become a Member again within 90 days, the Eligibility Waiting Period will be waived.
- 2. If your Life Insurance ends because you fail to make a required premium contribution, you must provide

Evidence Of Insurability to become insured again.

- 3. If you exercised your Right To Convert, you must provide Evidence Of Insurability to become insured again.
- 4. If your Life Insurance ends because you are on a federal or state-mandated family or medical leave of absence, and you become a Member again immediately following the period allowed, your insurance will be reinstated pursuant to the federal or state-mandated family or medical leave act or law.

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# **DEPENDENTS LIFE INSURANCE**

#### A. Insuring Clause

If your Dependent dies while insured for Dependents Life Insurance, we will pay benefits according to the terms of the Group Policy after we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

B. Amount Of Dependents Life Insurance

See the **Coverage Features** for the amount of your Dependents Life Insurance.

- C. Changes In Dependents Life Insurance
  - 1. Increases

You must apply in writing for any elective increase in your Dependents Life Insurance.

Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, an increase in your Dependents Life Insurance becomes effective as follows:

a. Increases Subject To Evidence Of Insurability

An increase in your Dependents Life Insurance subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on the date we approve that Dependent's Evidence Of Insurability.

b. Increases Not Subject To Evidence Of Insurability

An increase in your Dependents Life Insurance not subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on:

- (i) The first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date you apply if you apply for an elective increase.
- (ii) The date your Life Insurance increases if your Dependents Life Insurance increases because of an increase in your Life Insurance.
- (iii) The beginning of the next plan year following the date you apply, if you apply during an Annual Enrollment Period.

#### 2. Decreases

A decrease in your Dependents Life Insurance because of a decrease in your Life Insurance becomes effective on the date your Life Insurance decreases.

A decrease in your Dependents Life Insurance because of a change in age becomes effective on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the change in age.

#### D. Definitions For Dependents Life Insurance

Dependent means your Spouse or Child. Dependent does not include a person who is a full-time member of the armed forces of any country.

#### E. Becoming Insured For Dependents Life Insurance

#### 1. Eligibility

You become eligible to insure your Dependents on the later of:

- a. The date you become eligible for Life Insurance; and
- b. The date you first acquire a Dependent.

A Member may not be insured as both a Member and a Dependent. A Child may not be insured by more than one Member.

#### 2. Effective Date

The **Coverage Features** states whether your Dependents Life Insurance is Contributory or Noncontributory. Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, your Dependents Life Insurance becomes effective as follows:

a. Dependents Life Insurance Subject To Evidence Of Insurability

Dependents Life Insurance subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on the later of:

- 1. The date your Life Insurance becomes effective; and
- 2. The first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date we approve the Dependent's Evidence Of Insurability.
- b. Dependents Life Insurance Not Subject To Evidence Of Insurability
  - 1. Noncontributory Dependents Life Insurance

Noncontributory Dependents Life Insurance not subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on the later of:

- i. The date your Life Insurance becomes effective; and
- ii. The date you first acquire a Dependent.
- 2. Contributory Dependents Life Insurance

You must apply in writing for Contributory Dependents Life Insurance and agree to pay premiums. Contributory Dependents Life Insurance not subject to Evidence Of Insurability becomes effective on the latest of:

- i. The date your Life Insurance becomes effective if you apply on or before that date;
- ii. The date you become eligible to insure your Dependents if you apply on or before that date;
- iii. The date you apply if you apply within 31 days after you become eligible; and
- iv. The beginning of the next plan year following the date you apply, if you apply during the Annual Enrollment Period.

Late Application: Evidence Of Insurability is required for each Dependent if you apply more than 31 days after you become eligible.

- c. While your Dependents Life Insurance is in effect, each new Child becomes insured immediately.
- d. Takeover Provision

Each Dependent who was eligible under the Prior Plan for more than 31 days but was not insured must submit satisfactory Evidence Of Insurability to become insured for Dependents Life Insurance.

#### F. When Dependents Life Insurance Ends

Dependents Life Insurance ends automatically on the earliest of:

- 1. Five months after you die (no premiums will be charged for your Dependents Life Insurance during this time);
- 2. The date your Life Insurance ends;
- 3. The date the Group Policy terminates, or the date Dependents Life Insurance terminates under the Group Policy;
- 4. The date the last period ends for which you made a premium contribution, if your Dependents Life Insurance is Contributory;
- 5. For your Spouse, the date of your divorce or termination of your Domestic Partner relationship;
- 6. For any Dependent, the date the Dependent ceases to be a Dependent; and
- 7. For a Child who is Disabled, 90 days after we mail you a request for proof of Disability, if proof is not given.

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#### ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

#### A. Insuring Clause

If you have an accident, including accidental exposure to adverse weather conditions, while insured for AD&D Insurance, and the accident results in a Loss, we will pay benefits according to the terms of the Group Policy after we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

#### B. Definition Of Loss For AD&D Insurance

Loss means loss of life, hand, foot, sight, speech, hearing in both ears, thumb and index finger of the same hand, coma and Quadriplegia, Hemiplegia or Paraplegia which meets all of the following requirements:

- 1. Is caused solely and directly by an accident.
- 2. Occurs independently of all other causes.
- 3. Occurs within 365 days after the accident.
- 4. With respect to Loss of life, is evidenced by a certified copy of the death certificate.
- 5. With respect to all other Losses, is certified by a Physician in the appropriate specialty as determined by us.

With respect to Loss of life, death will be presumed if you disappear and the disappearance:

- 1. Is caused solely and directly by an accident that reasonably could have caused Loss of life;
- 2. Occurs independently of all other causes; and
- 3. Continues for a period of 365 days after the date of the accident, despite reasonable search efforts.

With respect to a hand or foot, Loss means actual and permanent severance from the body at or above the wrist or ankle joint, whether or not surgically reattached.

With respect to sight, Loss means entire, uncorrectable, and irrecoverable loss of sight.

With respect to speech, Loss means entire, uncorrectable, and irrecoverable loss of audible speech.

With respect to hearing, Loss means entire, uncorrectable, and irrecoverable loss of hearing in both ears.

With respect to thumb and index finger of the same hand, Loss means actual and permanent severance from the body at or above the metacarpophalangeal joints.

With respect to coma, Loss means a profound state of mental unconsciousness with no evidence of appropriate responses to stimulation, lasting for at least 21 consecutive days.

With respect to Quadriplegia, Hemiplegia, and Paraplegia, Loss must be permanent, complete, and irreversible.

Quadriplegia means total paralysis of both upper and lower limbs. Hemiplegia means total paralysis of the upper and lower limbs on the same side of the body. Paraplegia means total paralysis of both lower limbs.

#### C. Amount Payable

See **Coverage Features** for the AD&D Insurance schedule. The amount payable is a percentage of the AD&D Insurance Benefit in effect on the date of the accident and is determined by the Loss suffered. See AD&D Table Of Losses in the **Coverage Features**.

#### D. Changes In AD&D Insurance

Changes in your AD&D Insurance will become effective on the date your Life Insurance changes.

#### E. AD&D Insurance Exclusions

No AD&D Insurance benefit is payable if the accident or Loss is caused or contributed to by any of the following:

- 1. War or act of War. War means declared or undeclared war, whether civil or international, and any substantial armed conflict between organized forces of a military nature.
- 2. Suicide or other intentionally self-inflicted Injury, while sane or insane.
- 3. Committing or attempting to commit an assault or felony, or actively participating in a violent disorder or riot. Actively participating does not include being at the scene of a violent disorder or riot while performing your official duties.
- 4. The voluntary use or consumption of any poison, chemical compound, alcohol or drug, unless used or consumed according to the directions of a Physician.
- 5. Sickness or Pregnancy but not including complications of pregnancy, existing at the time of the accident.
- 6. Heart attack or stroke.
- 7. Medical or surgical treatment for any of the above.

#### F. Additional AD&D Benefits

#### Seat Belt Benefit

The amount of the Seat Belt Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Seat Belt Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You die as a result of an Automobile accident for which an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for Loss of your Life; and
- 2. You are wearing and properly utilizing a Seat Belt System at the time of the accident, as evidenced by a police accident report.

Seat Belt System means a properly installed combination lap and shoulder restraint system that meets the Federal Vehicle Safety Standards of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Seat Belt System will include a lap belt alone, but only if the Automobile did not have a combination lap and shoulder restraint system when manufactured. Seat Belt System does not include a shoulder restraint alone.

Automobile means a motor vehicle licensed for use on public highways.

#### Air Bag Benefit

The amount of the Air Bag Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay an Air Bag Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

1. You die as a result of an Automobile accident for which a Seat Belt Benefit is payable for Loss of your life.

- 2. The Automobile is equipped with an Air Bag System that was installed as original equipment by the Automobile manufacturer and has received regular maintenance or scheduled replacement as recommended by the Automobile or Air Bag manufacturer.
- 3. You are seated in the driver's or a passenger's seating position intended to be protected by the Air Bag System and the Air Bag System deploys, as evidenced by a police accident report.

Air Bag System means an automatically inflatable passive restraint system that is designed to provide automatic crash protection in front or side impact Automobile accidents and meets the Federal Vehicle Safety Standards of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Automobile means a motor vehicle licensed for use on public highways.

#### Career Adjustment Benefit

The amount of the Career Adjustment Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Career Adjustment Benefit to your Spouse if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You are insured for AD&D Insurance under the Group Policy.
- 2. You die as a result of an accident for which an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for Loss of your life.
- 3. Your Spouse is, within 36 months after the date of your death, registered and in attendance at an accredited institution of higher education or trades training program for the purpose of obtaining employment or increasing earnings.

No Career Adjustment Benefit will be paid if you have no surviving Spouse.

#### Child Care Benefit

The amount of the Child Care Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Child Care Benefit to your Spouse if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You are insured for AD&D Insurance under the Group Policy.
- 2. You die as a result of an accident for which an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for Loss of your life.
- 3. Your Spouse pays a licensed child care provider who is not a member of your family for child care provided to your Child(ren) under age 13 within 36 months of your death.
- 4. The child care is necessary in order for your Spouse to work or to obtain training for work or to increase earnings.

No Child Care Benefit will be paid if you have no surviving Spouse.

# **Higher Education Benefit**

The amount of the Higher Education Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Higher Education Benefit to your Child if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You are insured for AD&D Insurance under the Group Policy.
- 2. You die as a result of an accident for which an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for Loss of your life.
- 3. Your Child is, within 12 months after the date of your death, registered and in full-time attendance at an accredited institution of higher education beyond high school.

The Higher Education Benefit will be paid to each Child who meets the requirements of item 3 above, for a maximum of 4 consecutive years beginning on the date of your death. No Higher Education Benefit will be paid if there is no Child eligible to receive it.

#### Occupational Assault Benefit

The amount of the Occupational Assault Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay an Occupational Assault Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. While Actively At Work you suffer a Loss for which an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable.
- 2. The Loss is the result of an act of physical violence against you that is punishable by law and is evidenced by a police report.

#### **Public Transportation Benefit**

The amount of the Public Transportation Benefit is shown in the Coverage Features.

We will pay a Public Transportation Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You die as a result of an accident for which an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for Loss of your life.
- 2. The accident occurs while you are riding as a fare-paying passenger on Public Transportation.

Public Transportation means a public passenger conveyance operated by a licensed common carrier for the transportation of the general public for a fare and operating on regular passenger routes with a definite schedule of departures and arrivals.

# G. Becoming Insured For AD&D Insurance

1. Eligibility

You become eligible for AD&D Insurance on the date your Life Insurance is effective.

2. Effective Date

The **Coverage Features** states whether AD&D Insurance is Contributory or Noncontributory. Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, AD&D Insurance becomes effective as follows:

a. Noncontributory AD&D Insurance

Noncontributory AD&D Insurance becomes effective on the date you become eligible.

b. Contributory AD&D Insurance

You must apply in writing for Contributory AD&D Insurance and agree to pay premiums. Contributory AD&D Insurance becomes effective on the later of:

- (i) The date you become eligible if you apply on or before that date.
- (ii) The first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date you apply, if you apply after you become eligible.

#### H. When AD&D Insurance Ends

AD&D Insurance ends automatically on the earlier of:

- 1. The date your Life Insurance ends.
- 2. The date your Waiver Of Premium begins.
- 3. The date AD&D Insurance terminates under the Group Policy.
- 4. The date the last period ends for which a premium was paid for your AD&D Insurance.

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#### **ACTIVE WORK PROVISIONS**

If you are incapable of Active Work because of Sickness, Injury or Pregnancy on the day before the scheduled effective date of your insurance or an increase in your insurance, your insurance or increase will not become effective until the day after you complete one full day of Active Work as an eligible Member.

Active Work and Actively At Work mean performing the material duties of your own occupation at your Employer's usual place of business. You will also meet the Active Work requirement if:

- 1. You were absent from Active Work because of a regularly scheduled day off, holiday, or vacation day;
- 2. You were Actively At Work on your last scheduled work day before the date of your absence; and
- 3. You were capable of Active Work on the day before the scheduled effective date of your insurance or increase in your insurance.

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# STRIKE CONTINUATION

Insurance may be continued for up to 6 months while you are absent from Active Work because of a strike, lockout or other general work stoppage caused by a labor dispute. Rules 1 through 4 below will apply.

- 1. When your compensation is suspended or terminated because of a work stoppage, your Employer will immediately notify you in writing of your rights under this provision. Your Employer will mail the notice to you at your last address on record with the Employer.
- 2. You must pay the entire premium for your insurance, including the Employer's share, if any, to your Employer on or before each Premium Due Date.
- 3. The premiums for your insurance during the work stoppage will equal a percentage of the premium rate in effect on the date the work stoppage began (see **Coverage Features**). We may change premium rates during the work stoppage according to the terms of the Group Policy.
- 4. Insurance continued under this provision will end on the earliest of:
  - a. Any Premium Due Date if you fail to make the required premium contribution to your Employer on or before that date.
  - b. The date you have been absent from Active Work for 6 months.
  - c. On the date you begin full-time employment with another employer.
  - d. At our option, on any Premium Due Date if less than 75% of the Members eligible to continue insurance under this provision make the required premium payment to the Employer.

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#### WAIVER OF PREMIUM

#### A. Waiver Of Premium Benefit

Insurance will be continued without payment of premiums while you are Totally Disabled if:

- 1. You become Totally Disabled while insured under the Group Policy and under age 60;
- 2. You complete your Waiting Period; and
- 3. You give us satisfactory Proof Of Loss.

We may have you examined at our expense at reasonable intervals. Any such examination will be conducted by specialists of our choice.

- B. Definitions For Waiver Of Premium
  - 1. Insurance means all your insurance under the Group Policy, except AD&D Insurance.
  - 2. Totally Disabled means that, as a result of Sickness, accidental Injury, or Pregnancy, you are unable to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of any gainful occupation for which you are reasonably fitted by education, training and experience.

3. Waiting Period means the 180 consecutive day period beginning on the date you become Totally Disabled. Waiver Of Premium begins when you complete the Waiting Period.

#### C. Premium Payment

Premium payment must continue until the later of:

- 1. The date you complete your Waiting Period; and
- 2. The date we approve your claim for Waiver Of Premium.

#### D. Refund Of Premiums

We will refund up to 12 months of the premiums that were paid for Insurance after the date you become Totally Disabled.

#### E. Amount Of Insurance

The amount of Insurance eligible for Waiver Of Premium is the amount in effect on the day before you become Totally Disabled. However, the following will apply:

- 1. Insurance will be reduced or terminated according to the Group Policy provisions in effect on the day before you become Totally Disabled.
- 2. If you become insured under a group life insurance plan that replaces the Group Policy while you are eligible for Waiver Of Premium, any death benefit payable under the Group Policy will be reduced by the amount payable under the replacement group life insurance plan.
- 3. If you receive an Accelerated Benefit, Insurance will be reduced according to the **Accelerated Benefit** provision.

# F. Effect Of Death During The Waiting Period

If you die during the Waiting Period and are otherwise eligible for Waiver Of Premium, the Waiting Period will be waived.

G. Termination Or Amendment Of The Group Policy

Insurance will not be affected by termination or amendment of the Group Policy after you become Totally Disabled.

#### H. When Waiver Of Premium Ends

Waiver Of Premium ends on the earliest of:

- 1. The date you cease to be Totally Disabled;
- 2. 90 days after the date we mail you a request for additional Proof Of Loss, if it is not given;
- 3. The date you fail to attend an examination or cooperate with the examiner;
- 4. With respect to the amount of Insurance which an insured has converted, the effective date of the individual life insurance policy issued to the insured; and
- 5. The date you reach age 65.

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# **ACCELERATED BENEFIT**

#### A. Accelerated Benefit

If you qualify for Waiver Of Premium and give us satisfactory proof of having a Qualifying Medical Condition while you are insured under the Group Policy, you may have the right to receive during your lifetime a portion of your Insurance as an Accelerated Benefit. You must have at least \$10,000 of Insurance in effect to be eligible.

If your Insurance is scheduled to end within 24 months following the date you apply for the Accelerated Benefit, you will not be eligible for the Accelerated Benefit.

Qualifying Medical Condition means you are terminally ill as a result of an illness or physical condition which is reasonably expected to result in death within 24 months.

We may have you examined at our expense in connection with your claim for an Accelerated Benefit. Any such examination will be conducted by one or more Physicians of our choice.

#### B. Application For Accelerated Benefit

You must apply for an Accelerated Benefit. To apply you must give us satisfactory Proof Of Loss on our forms. Proof Of Loss must include a statement from a Physician that you have a Qualifying Medical Condition.

#### C. Amount Of Accelerated Benefit

You may receive an Accelerated Benefit of up to 75% of your Insurance. The maximum Accelerated Benefit is \$500,000. The minimum Accelerated Benefit is \$5,000 or 10% of your Insurance, whichever is greater.

If the amount of your Insurance is scheduled to reduce within 24 months following the date you apply for the Accelerated Benefit, your Accelerated Benefit will be based on the reduced amount.

The Accelerated Benefit will be paid to you once in your lifetime in a lump sum. If you recover from your Oualifying Medical Condition after receiving an Accelerated Benefit, we will not ask you for a refund.

#### D. Effect On Insurance And Other Benefits

For any purpose other than premium payment, the amount of your Insurance after payment of the Accelerated Benefit will be the greater of the amounts in (1) and (2) below; however, if you assign your rights under the Group Policy, the amount of your Insurance will be the amount in (2) below.

- (1) 10% of the amount of your Insurance as if no Accelerated Benefit had been paid; or
- (2) The amount of your Insurance as if no Accelerated Benefit had been paid; minus

The amount of the Accelerated Benefit; minus

An interest charge calculated as follows:

A times B times C divided by 365 = interest charge.

- A = The amount of the Accelerated Benefit.
- B = The monthly average of our variable policy loan interest rate.
- C = The number of days from payment of the Accelerated Benefit to the earlier of (1) the date you die, and (2) the date you have a Right To Convert.

The amount of your AD&D Insurance, if any, is not affected by payment of the Accelerated Benefit. AD&D is not continued under Waiver Of Premium.

Note: If you assign your rights under the Group Policy, the amount of your Insurance after payment of the Accelerated Benefit will be the amount in (2) above.

#### E. Exclusions

No Accelerated Benefit will be paid if:

- 1. All or part of your Insurance must be paid to your Child(ren), or your Spouse or former Spouse as part of a court approved divorce decree, separate maintenance agreement, or property settlement agreement.
- 2. You are married and live in a community property state unless you give us a signed written consent from your Spouse.
- 3. You have made an assignment of all or part of your Insurance unless you give us a signed written consent from the assignee.

- 4. You have filed for bankruptcy, unless you give us written approval from the Bankruptcy Court for payment of the Accelerated Benefit.
- 5. You are required by a government agency to use the Accelerated Benefit to apply for, receive, or continue a government benefit or entitlement.
- 6. You have previously received an Accelerated Benefit under the Group Policy.
- F. Definitions For Accelerated Benefit

Insurance means your Life Insurance Benefit under the Group Policy.

G. Resolution Of Disputes Over A Qualifying Medical Condition

Pursuant to "The Washington Regulation on Accelerated Life Insurance Benefits" (WAC 284-26-600 through WAC 284-23-730), you may have the right to mediation or binding arbitration of any dispute over whether you have incurred a Qualifying Medical Condition.

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#### RIGHT TO CONVERT

# A. Right To Convert

You may buy an individual policy of life insurance without Evidence Of Insurability if:

- 1. Your Insurance ends or is reduced due to a Qualifying Event; and
- 2. You apply in writing and pay us the first premium during the Conversion Period.

Except as limited under C. Limits On Right To Convert, the maximum amount you have a Right To Convert is the amount of your Insurance which ended.

- B. Definitions For Right To Convert
  - 1. Conversion Period means the 31-day period after the date of any Qualifying Event.
  - 2. Insurance means all your insurance under the Group Policy, including insurance continued under Waiver Of Premium, but excluding AD&D Insurance.
  - 3. Qualifying Event means termination or reduction of your Insurance for any reason except:
    - a. The Member's failure to make a required premium contribution.
    - b. Payment of an Accelerated Benefit.
  - 4. You and your mean any person insured under the Group Policy.
- C. Limits On Right To Convert

If your Insurance ends or is reduced because of termination or amendment of the Group Policy, 1 and 2 below will apply.

- 1. You may not convert Insurance which has been in effect for less than the Minimum Time Insured. See **Coverage Features**.
- 2. The maximum amount you have a Right To Convert is the lesser of:
  - a. The amount of your Insurance which ended, minus any other group life insurance for which you become eligible during the Conversion Period; and
  - b. The Maximum Conversion Amount. See Coverage Features.
- D. The Individual Policy

You may select any form of individual life insurance policy we issue to persons of your age, except:

- 1. A term insurance policy;
- 2. A universal life policy;
- 3. A policy with disability, accidental death, or other additional benefits; or
- 4. A policy in an amount less than the minimum amount we issue for the form of life insurance you select.

The individual policy of life insurance will become effective on the day after the end of the Conversion Period. We will use our published rates for standard risks to determine the premium.

The time periods contained in the incontestability provision of the individual policy of life insurance will be credited with the last continuous period you were insured under the Group Policy.

# E. Death During The Conversion Period

If you die during the Conversion Period, we will pay a death benefit equal to the maximum amount you had a Right To Convert, whether or not you applied for an individual policy. The benefit will be paid according to the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions**.

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#### **CLAIMS**

#### A. Filing A Claim

Claims should be filed on our forms. If we do not provide our forms within 15 days after they are requested, the claim may be submitted in a letter to us.

#### B. Time Limits On Filing Proof Of Loss

Proof Of Loss must be provided within 90 days after the date of the loss. If that is not possible, it must be provided as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year after that 90-day period.

Proof Of Loss for Waiver Of Premium must be provided within 12 months after the end of the Waiting Period. We will require further Proof Of Loss at reasonable intervals, but not more often than once a year after you have been continuously Totally Disabled for two years.

If Proof Of Loss is filed outside these time limits, the claim will be denied. These limits will not apply while the Member or Beneficiary lacks legal capacity.

With respect to coma, we will require Proof Of Loss of the comatose condition at reasonable intervals. If proof is not given within 90 days, benefits payable for coma will end.

#### C. Proof Of Loss

**Proof Of Loss** means written proof that a loss occurred:

- 1. For which the Group Policy provides benefits;
- 2. Which is not subject to any exclusions; and
- 3. Which meets all other conditions for benefits.

Proof Of Loss includes any other information we may reasonably require in support of a claim. Proof Of Loss must be in writing and must be provided at the expense of the claimant. No benefits will be provided until we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

#### D. Investigation Of Claim

We may have you examined at our expense at reasonable intervals. Any such examination will be conducted by specialists of our choice.

We may have an autopsy performed at our expense, except where prohibited by law.

#### E. Time Of Payment

We will pay benefits within 60 days after Proof Of Loss is satisfied.

#### F. Notice Of Decision On Claim

We will evaluate a claim for benefits promptly after we receive it. With respect to all claims except Waiver Of Premium claims (or other benefits based on disability), within 90 days after we receive the claim we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on the claim; or (b) a notice that we are extending the period to decide the claim for an additional 90 days.

With respect to Waiver Of Premium claims (or other benefits based on disability), within 45 days after we receive the claim we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on the claim; or (b) a notice that we are extending the period to decide the claim for 30 days. Before the end of this extension period we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on the Waiver Of Premium claim (or other benefits based on disability); or (b) a notice that we are extending the period to decide the claim for an additional 30 days. If an extension is due to the claimant's failure to provide information necessary to decide the Waiver Of Premium claim (or other benefits based on disability), the extended time period for deciding the claim will not begin until the claimant provides the information or otherwise responds.

If we extend the period to decide the claim, we will notify the claimant of the following: (a) the reasons for the extension; (b) when we expect to decide the claim; (c) an explanation of the standards on which entitlement to benefits is based; (d) the unresolved issues preventing a decision; and (e) any additional information we need to resolve those issues.

If we request additional information, the claimant will have 45 days to provide the information. If the claimant does not provide the requested information within 45 days, we may decide the claim based on the information we have received.

If we deny any part of the claim, we will send the claimant a written notice of denial containing:

- 1. The reasons for our decision.
- 2. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- 3. Reference to any internal rule or guideline relied upon in deciding a Waiver Of Premium claim (or other benefits based on disability).
- 4. A description of any additional information needed to support the claim.
- 5. Information concerning the claimant's right to a review of our decision.
- 6. Information concerning the right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA if the claim is denied on review.

#### G. Review Procedure

If all or part of a claim is denied, the claimant may request a review. The claimant must request a review in writing:

- 1. Within 180 days after receiving notice of the denial of a claim for Waiver Of Premium (or other benefits based on disability);
- 2. Within 60 days after receiving notice of the denial of any other claim.

The claimant may send us written comments or other items to support the claim. The claimant may review and receive copies of any non-privileged information that is relevant to the request for review. There will be no charge for such copies. Our review will include any written comments or other items the claimant submits to support the claim.

We will review the claim promptly after we receive the request. With respect to all claims except Waiver Of Premium claims (or other benefits based on disability), within 60 days after we receive the request for review we

will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on review; or (b) a notice that we are extending the review period for 60 days.

With respect to Waiver Of Premium claims (or other benefits based on disability), within 45 days after we receive the request for review we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on review; or (b) a notice that we are extending the review period for 45 days.

If an extension is due to the claimant's failure to provide information necessary to decide the claim on review, the extended time period for review of the claim will not begin until the claimant provides the information or otherwise responds.

If we extend the review period, we will notify the claimant of the following: (a) the reasons for the extension; (b) when we expect to decide the claim on review; and (c) any additional information we need to decide the claim.

If we request additional information, the claimant will have 45 days to provide the information. If the claimant does not provide the requested information within 45 days, we may conclude our review of the claim based on the information we have received.

With respect to Waiver Of Premium claims (or other benefits based on disability), the person conducting the review will be someone other than the person who denied the claim and will not be subordinate to that person. The person conducting the review will not give deference to the initial denial decision. If the denial was based on a medical judgement, the person conducting the review will consult with a qualified health care professional. This health care professional will be someone other than the person who made the original medical judgement and will not be subordinate to that person. The claimant may request the names of medical or vocational experts who provided advice to us about a claim for Waiver Of Premium (or other benefits based on disability).

If we deny any part of the claim on review, the claimant will receive a written notice of denial containing:

- 1. The reasons for our decision.
- 2. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- 3. Reference to any internal rule or guideline relied upon in deciding a Waiver Of Premium claim (or other benefits based on disability).
- 4. Information concerning the claimant's right to receive, free of charge, copies of non-privileged documents and records relevant to the claim.
- 5. Information concerning the right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA.

The Group Policy does not provide voluntary alternative dispute resolution options. However, you may contact your local U.S. Department of Labor Office and your State insurance regulatory agency for assistance.

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#### ASSIGNMENT

The rights and benefits under the Group Policy cannot be assigned.

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#### BENEFIT PAYMENT AND BENEFICIARY PROVISIONS

# A. Payment Of Benefits

- 1. Except as provided in item 5 below, benefits payable because of your death or coma will be paid to the Beneficiary you name. Benefits for coma will cease after the comatose condition has ceased, whether by death, recovery, or any other change in condition. See B through E of this section.
- 2. AD&D Insurance benefits payable for Losses other than Loss of Life or coma will be paid to the person who suffers the Loss for which benefits are payable. Any such benefits remaining unpaid at that person's death will be paid according to the provisions for payment of a death benefit.

- 3. The benefits below will be paid to you if you are living.
  - a. AD&D Insurance benefits payable because of the death or coma of your Dependent.
  - b. Dependents Life Insurance benefits.
  - c. Accelerated Benefits.
- 4. Dependents Life Insurance benefits and AD&D Insurance benefits payable because of the death of your Dependent which are unpaid at your death will be paid in equal shares to the first surviving class of the classes below.
  - a. The children of the Dependent.
  - b. The parents of the Dependent.
  - c. The brothers and sisters of the Dependent.
  - d. Your estate.
- 5. Additional Benefits will be paid as follows:

The Child Care Benefit will be paid to your surviving Spouse. No Child Care Benefit will be paid if you have no Spouse.

The Career Adjustment Benefit will be paid to your Spouse. No Career Adjustment Benefit will be paid if you have no Spouse.

The Higher Education Benefit will be paid to each eligible Child. No Higher Education Benefit will be paid if there is no Child eligible to receive it.

The Repatriation Benefit will be paid to the person who incurs the transportation expenses.

#### B. Naming A Beneficiary

Beneficiary means a person you name to receive death benefits. You may name one or more Beneficiaries.

If you name two or more Beneficiaries in a class:

- 1. Two or more surviving Beneficiaries will share equally, unless you provide for unequal shares.
- 2. If you provide for unequal shares in a class, and two or more Beneficiaries in that class survive, we will pay each surviving Beneficiary his or her designated share. Unless you provide otherwise, we will then pay the share(s) otherwise due to any deceased Beneficiary(ies) to the surviving Beneficiaries pro rata based on the relationship that the designated percentage or fractional share of each surviving Beneficiary bears to the total shares of all surviving Beneficiaries.
- 3. If only one Beneficiary in a class survives, we will pay the total death benefits to that Beneficiary.

You may name or change Beneficiaries at any time without the consent of a Beneficiary.

Your Beneficiary designation must be the same for Life Insurance and AD&D Insurance death benefits.

You may name or change Beneficiaries in writing. Writing includes a form signed by you; or a verification from us, or our designated agent, the Policyholder, the Policyholder's designated agent, the Employer, or the Employer's designated agent of an electronic or telephonic designation made by you.

Your designation:

- 1. Must be dated:
- 2. Must be delivered to us, our designated agent, the Policyholder, the Policyholder's designated agent, the Employer, or the Employer's designated agent; during your lifetime.

- 3. Must relate to the insurance provided under the Group Policy; and
- 4. Will take effect on the date it is delivered or, if a telephonic or electronic designation, verified by us, our designated agent, the Policyholder, the Policyholder's designated agent, the Employer, or the Employer's designated agent.

If we approve it, a designation, which meets the requirements of a Prior Plan, will be accepted as your Beneficiary designation under the Group Policy.

#### C. Simultaneous Death Provision

If a Beneficiary or a person in one of the classes listed in item D. No Surviving Beneficiary dies on the same day you die, or within 15 days thereafter, benefits will be paid as if that Beneficiary or person had died before you, unless Proof Of Loss with respect to your death is delivered to us before the date of the Beneficiary's death.

#### D. No Surviving Beneficiary

If you do not name a Beneficiary, or if you are not survived by one, benefits will be paid in equal shares to the first surviving class of the classes below.

- 1. Your Spouse. (See **Definitions**)
- 2. Your children.
- 3. Your parents.
- 4. Your brothers and sisters.
- 5. Your estate.

# E. Methods Of Payment

Recipient means a person who is entitled to benefits under this **Benefit Payment and Beneficiary Provisions** section.

#### 1. Lump Sum

If the amount payable to a Recipient is less than \$25,000, we will pay it in a lump sum.

#### 2. Standard Secure Access Checking Account

If the amount payable to a Recipient is \$25,000, or more, we will deposit it into a Standard Secure Access checking account which:

- a. Bears interest at a rate equal to the 13-week Treasury Bill (T-Bill) auction rate, but not to exceed 5%;
- b. Is owned by the Recipient;
- c. Is subject to the terms and conditions of a confirmation certificate which will be given to the Recipient; and
- d. Is fully guaranteed by us.

#### 3. Installments

Payment to a Recipient may be made in installments if:

- a. The amount payable is \$25,000 or more;
- b. The Recipient chooses; and
- c. We agree.

To the extent permitted by law, the amount payable to the Recipient will not be subject to any legal process or to the claims of any creditor or creditor's representative.

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#### ALLOCATION OF AUTHORITY

Except for those functions which the Group Policy specifically reserves to the Policyholder, we have full and exclusive authority to control and manage the Group Policy, to administer claims, and to interpret the Group Policy and resolve all questions arising in the administration, interpretation, and application of the Group Policy.

Our authority includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. The right to resolve all matters when a review has been requested;
- 2. The right to establish and enforce rules and procedures for the administration of the Group Policy and any claim under it:
- 3. The right to determine:
  - a. Eligibility for insurance;
  - b. Entitlement to benefits;
  - c. Amount of benefits payable;
  - d. Sufficiency and the amount of information we may reasonably require to determine a., b., or c., above.

Subject to the review procedures of the Group Policy any decision we make in the exercise of our authority is conclusive and binding.

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#### TIME LIMITS ON LEGAL ACTIONS

No action at law or in equity may be brought until 60 days after we have been given Proof Of Loss. No such action may be brought more than three years after the earlier of:

- 1. The date we receive Proof Of Loss; and
- 2. The time within which Proof Of Loss is required to be given.

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#### INCONTESTABILITY PROVISIONS

#### A. Incontestability Of Insurance

Any statement made to obtain or to increase insurance is a representation and not a warranty.

No misrepresentation will be used to reduce or deny a claim unless:

- 1. The insurance would not have been approved if we had known the truth; and
- 2. We have given you or any other person claiming benefits a copy of the signed written instrument which contains the misrepresentation.

We will not use a misrepresentation to reduce or deny a claim after the insured's insurance has been in effect for two years during the lifetime of the insured.

# B. Incontestability Of Group Policy

Any statement made by the Policyholder or Employer to obtain the Group Policy is a representation and not a warranty.

No misrepresentation by the Policyholder or Employer will be used to deny a claim or to deny the validity of the Group Policy unless:

1. The Group Policy would not have been issued if we had known the truth; and

2. We have given the Policyholder or Employer a copy of a written instrument signed by the Policyholder or Employer which contains the misrepresentation.

The validity of the Group Policy will not be contested after it has been in force for two years, except for nonpayment of premiums.

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#### CLERICAL ERROR AND MISSTATEMENT

#### A. Clerical Error

Clerical error by the Policyholder, your Employer, or their respective employees or representatives will not:

- 1. Cause a person to become insured;
- 2. Invalidate insurance under the Group Policy otherwise validly in force; or
- 3. Continue insurance under the Group Policy otherwise validly terminated.
- B. The Policyholder and your Employer act on their own behalf as your agent, and not as our agent.
- C. Misstatement Of Age

If a person's age has been misstated, we will make an equitable adjustment of premiums, benefits, or both. The adjustment will be based on:

- 1. The amount of insurance based on the correct age; and
- 2. The difference between the premiums paid and the premiums which would have been paid if the age had been correctly stated.

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# TERMINATION OR AMENDMENT OF THE GROUP POLICY

The Group Policy may be terminated by us or the Policyholder according to its terms. It will terminate automatically for nonpayment of premium. The Policyholder may terminate the Group Policy in whole, and may terminate insurance for any class or group of Members, at any time by giving us written notice.

Benefits under the Group Policy are limited to its terms, including any valid amendment. No change or amendment will be valid unless it is approved in writing by one of our executive officers and given to the Policyholder for attachment to the Group Policy. If the terms of the Certificate differ from the Group Policy, the terms stated in the Group Policy will govern. The Policyholder, your Employer, and their respective employees or representatives have no right or authority to change or amend the Group Policy or to waive any of its terms or provisions without our signed written approval.

We may change the Group Policy in whole or in part when any change or clarification in law or governmental regulation affects our obligations under the Group Policy, or with the Policyholder's consent.

Any such change or amendment of the Group Policy may apply to current or future Members or to any separate classes or groups thereof.

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# **DEFINITIONS**

AD&D Insurance means accidental death and dismemberment insurance, if any, under the Group Policy.

Annual Earnings means your annual rate of earnings from your Employer. Your Annual Earnings will be based on your earnings in effect on your last full day of Active Work unless a different date applies (see the **Coverage Features**). Annual Earnings includes:

- 1. Contributions you make through a salary reduction agreement with your Employer to:
  - a. An Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 401(k), 403(b), 408(k), or 457 deferred compensation arrangement; or
  - b. An executive nonqualified deferred compensation arrangement.
- 2. Amounts contributed to your fringe benefits according to a salary reduction agreement under an IRC Section 125 plan.

# Annual Earnings does not include:

- 1. Bonuses.
- 2. Commissions.
- 3. Overtime pay.
- 4. Shift differential pay.
- 5. Stock options or stock bonuses.
- 6. Your Employer's contributions on your behalf to any deferred compensation arrangement or pension plan.
- 7. Any other extra compensation.

#### Child means:

- 1. Your child from live birth through age 25; or
- 2. Your Disabled child who is continuously incapable of self-sustaining employment because of mental or physical handicap; and chiefly dependent upon you for support and maintenance or institutionalized because of mental retardation or physical handicap.

Child includes any of the following, if they otherwise meet the definition of Child:

- i. Your adopted child; or
- ii. Your stepchild and the child of your Spouse, if living in your home.

Contributory means you pay all or part of the premium for insurance.

Dependents Life Insurance means dependents life insurance, if any, under the Group Policy.

Eligibility Waiting Period means the period you must be a Member before you become eligible for insurance. See **Coverage Features**.

Evidence Of Insurability means an applicant must:

- 1. Complete and sign our medical history statement;
- 2. Sign our form authorizing us to obtain information about the applicant's health;
- 3. Undergo a physical examination, if required by us, which may include blood testing; and
- 4. Provide any additional information about the applicant's insurability that we may reasonably require.

Group Policy means the group life insurance policy issued by us to the Policyholder and identified by the Group Policy Number.

Injury means an injury to your body.

Life Insurance means life insurance under the Group Policy.

L.L.C. Owner-Employee means an individual who owns an equity interest in an Employer and is actively employed in the conduct of the Employer's business.

Noncontributory means the Policyholder or Employer pays the entire premium for insurance.

P.C. Partner means the sole active employee and majority shareholder of a professional corporation in partnership with the Policyholder.

Physician means a licensed M.D. or D.O., acting within the scope of the license. Physician does not include you or your Spouse, or the brother, sister, parent or child of either you or your Spouse.

Pregnancy means your pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions, including complications of pregnancy.

Prior Plan means your Employer's group life insurance plan in effect on the day before the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy and which is replaced by the Group Policy.

Sickness means your sickness, illness, or disease.

#### Spouse means:

- 1. A person to whom you are legally married; or
- 2. Your Domestic Partner. Your Domestic Partner means an individual recognized as such under applicable law.

For purposes of insurance under the Group Policy, Spouse does not include a person who is a full-time member of the armed forces of any country or a person from whom you are divorced or from whom you have terminated a Domestic Partner relationship.

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#### ERISA INFORMATION AND NOTICE OF RIGHTS

The following information and notice of rights and protections is furnished by the Plan Administrator as required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA)

A. General Plan Information

The General Plan Information required by ERISA is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

- B. Statement Of Your Rights Under ERISA
  - 1. Right To Examine Plan Documents

You have the right to examine all Plan documents, including any insurance contracts or collective bargaining agreements, and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration. These documents may be examined free of charge at the Plan Administrator's office.

2. Right To Obtain Copies Of Plan Documents

You have the right to obtain copies of all Plan documents, including any insurance contracts or collective bargaining agreements, a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series), and updated summary plan description upon written request to the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for these copies.

3. Right To Receive A Copy Of Annual Report

The Plan Administrator must give you a copy of the Plan's summary annual financial report, if the Plan was required to file an annual report. There will be no charge for the report.

4. Right To Review Of Denied Claims

If your claim for a Plan benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you have the right: a) to know why this was done; b) to obtain copies of documents relating to the decision, without charge; and c) to have your claim reviewed and reconsidered, all within certain time schedules.

#### C. Obligations Of Fiduciaries

In addition to creating rights for plan participants, ERISA imposes duties upon the people who are responsible for the operation of the Plan. The people who operate the Plan, called "fiduciaries" of the Plan, have a duty to do so prudently and in the interest of all Plan participants and beneficiaries. No one, including your employer, your union, or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from obtaining a Plan benefit or exercising your rights under ERISA.

#### D. Enforcing ERISA Rights

Under ERISA, there are steps you can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request Plan documents or the latest annual report from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, you may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay you up to \$110 a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Plan Administrator.

If you have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state or Federal court. If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or you may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If you are successful the court may order the person you have sued to pay these costs and fees. If you lose, the court may order you to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds your claim is frivolous.

# E. Additional Procedures For Claims Based on Disability Determinations Filed on or after April 1, 2018

If we deny any part of your claim for a benefit that relies on a disability determination, you will receive a written notice of denial containing a copy of any internal rule or guideline relied upon in making the decision, or a statement that no such rules or guidelines exist. The notice of denial will also include information concerning your right to receive, free of charge, copies of non-privileged documents and records relevant to your claim.

If all or part of a claim is denied, you may request a review. Before we issue a decision on review for a benefit that relies on a disability decision, we will provide you, free of charge, with any new evidence or rationale considered, relied upon, or generated by us in connection with the claim, and we will provide such new evidence or rationale sufficiently in advance of the decision deadline date to give you a reasonable opportunity to respond prior to that date.

If our review results in a denial of any part of your claim for a benefit that relies on a disability decision, your written notice of denial will contain a copy of any internal rule or guideline relied upon in making the decision, or a statement that no such rules or guidelines exist. The notice of denial will also include information concerning your right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA and a description of any applicable contractual limitations period that applies to your right to bring such an action, including the calendar date on which the contractual limitations period expires for the claim.

# F. Plan And ERISA Questions

If you have any questions about the Plan, you should contact the Plan Administrator. If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, or if you need assistance in obtaining documents from the Plan Administrator, you should contact the nearest office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, DC 20210. You may also obtain certain publications about your rights and responsibilities under ERISA by calling the publications hotline of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.

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# PROTECTION FOR YOU AND YOUR INSURANCE POLICY THE WASHINGTON LIFE AND DISABILITY INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION

#### PREFACE

This brochure briefly describes the coverage provided through the Washington Life & Disability Insurance Guaranty Association ("Association").

The Association is a nonprofit unincorporated legal entity created by the Washington Life and Disability Insurance Guaranty Association Act, Chapter 48.32A RCW ("Act"). Every life and disability insurance company authorized to do business in Washington is a member of the Association. A Board of Directors ("Board"), composed of representatives from member insurers, and the Insurance Commissioner, ex officio, oversee the operation of the Association.

The expenses of the Association are paid by assessments made against each member insurer. Persons covered by the Act are not charged for the expenses of the Association or the protection provided under the Act.

Coverage is provided for certain life and disability insurance. However, the Association does not cover all such insurance. Coverage that is provided is subject to the limitations and exclusions provided by the Act.

The purpose of this brochure is to help you understand the general nature and the conditions of the protection provided under the Act. It is only a summary, however, and if you have specific questions that are not discussed here you may contact either the Association or the Office of the Insurance Commissioner.

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#### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

# 1. WHAT INSURANCE POLICIES ARE COVERED UNDER THE ACT?

The Act applies to life insurance policies, disability insurance policies, and annuity contracts issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in Washington. The term "disability insurance," as used in the Act, includes not only disability income insurance, but also policies commonly referred to as "health insurance" (which includes long term care policies). Together, all of these policies and contracts are sometimes referred to as "covered policies," a term used in this brochure.

#### 2. ARE THERE POLICIES OR INSURERS NOT COVERED BY THE ACT?

The Act specifically excludes certain types of policies or portions of policies, including, but not limited to: The portion of a policy not guaranteed by the insurer; the portion of a policy to the extent the interest rate or crediting rate exceeds the limits in the Act; policies of reinsurance, unless assumption certificates have been issued; policies issued in Washington by an insurer at a time when the insurer was not licensed or did not have a certificate of authority; policies issued to a self-insured plan or program; certain unallocated employee benefit plan annuities protected by federal law; and unallocated annuity contracts not issued to or in connection with a benefit plan or a government lottery.

The Act also does not apply to policies or contracts issued by health care service contractors, health maintenance organizations, fraternal benefit societies, self funded multiple employer welfare arrangements, mandatory state pooling plans, mutual assessment companies, insurance exchanges, or an organization that has a certificate or license limited to issuance of certain charitable gift annuities.

#### 3. WHO IS PROTECTED UNDER THE ACT?

You are covered by the Act if you are an owner of or certificate holder under a policy or contract (other than an unallocated annuity contract or structured settlement annuity), and:

You are a Washington resident; or

You are not a Washington resident, but only if: the insurer is domiciled in Washington; there is an association similar to the Washington Association in your state of residency; and you are not covered in your state of residency, because the insurer was not licensed in that state; or

You are a beneficiary, assignee, or payee of one of the above, regardless of where you reside (except for nonresident certificate holders under group policies).

Owners of unallocated annuity contracts are covered if the contract was issued to or in connection with a specific benefit plan whose plan sponsor has its principal place of business in Washington, or the contract was issued to or in connection with a government lottery and the owner is a Washington resident.

#### 4. HOW DOES THE ASSOCIATION PROTECT COVERED PERSONS AGAINST LOSS?

After an order of liquidation is entered against a company, the Association begins its work of carrying out the purpose of the Act, which is to assure the performance of insurance obligations of that company. The Association is authorized to carry out its duties by working with insurance companies in good standing to assume or take over the covered policies. The association may also directly provide benefits and coverage as authorized by the Act. The Association has the authority to collect the funds necessary to provide protection to covered persons against losses on their covered policies.

#### 5. WHERE DOES THE ASSOCIATION GET THE MONEY TO PROVIDE THIS PROTECTION?

The Association is authorized to collect money from all life and disability insurance companies doing business in Washington. The funds collected from an assessment are used to pay claims to covered persons and/or to fund the assumption of covered policies by another insurer.

# 6. DOES THE ASSOCIATION PAY OUT THE MONEY IT COLLECTS RIGHT AWAY OR DO COVERED PERSONS HAVE TO WAIT?

The Association generally cannot make an assessment for covered policies issued by a company until after an order of liquidation has been entered against the company, and a reasonable estimate can be made of the amount of money needed. Insurance companies receiving an assessment notice must make their payments within thirty days.

Because it takes time for an action to be commenced against a financially impaired insurer, for a Court to issue an order, and for funds to be collected to satisfy the obligations of that insurer, some delay, hopefully short, is unavoidable before payments can be made. Although it is impossible to predict how long this process will take in any given case, an average time period of twelve to eighteen months is not unusual.

When necessary, the Association may borrow money to make payments more promptly, particularly in cases that will take an unusual amount of time to be resolved.

#### 7. WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF PROTECTION PROVIDED BY THE ACT?

The Act provides the following maximum amounts of protection:

Life Insurance Death Benefits	\$500,000
Disability Benefits and Health Benefits	
(including Long Term Care Benefits)	\$500,000
Present Value of Individual Annuities	\$500,000

Unallocated Annuity Contracts, other than certain government retirement plans (limit is per contract owner or plansponsor)	\$5,000,000
Government Retirement Plans in	
Unallocated Annuities established	
under Internal Revenue Code § § 401, 403(b), or 457	
(limit is per participant)	\$100,000

This protection becomes effective at the time of entry of a Court order of liquidation against the insurer. Of course, if the amount owed under the contract or policy is less than the maximum benefit under the Act, the covered person will be entitled to protection only up to the actual amount owed.

Furthermore, the maximum protection available to each covered person remains the same, regardless of the number of contracts through which he or she has a claim.

8. IF A HUSBAND AND WIFE EACH INDIVIDUALLY OWN A COVERED POLICY, IS THE PROTECTION UNDER THE ACT PROVIDED TO EACH OF THEM?

Yes. As long as the residency requirements are met, both would be entitled to the protection provided by the Act, up to the maximum amount.

9. WHY DOESN'T MY INSURANCE COMPANY ADVERTISE THE FACT THAT ITS POLICIES AND CONTRACTS ARE PROTECTED UNDER THE ACT?

Under Washington law, insurance companies are prohibited from advertising that their policies or contracts may be covered under the Act.

10. WHY HASN'T MY AGENT TOLD ME ABOUT THE GUARANTY ACT?

Your insurance agent is subject to the same prohibitions as your insurance company. As a representative of the company, an agent must exercise great care when soliciting business and consequently, will generally not discuss the subject of a guaranty act with clients.

11. WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I BELIEVE THERE HAS BEEN A VIOLATION OF THE ACT?

You should contact the Association if you believe your rights have been violated under the Act. If you are dissatisfied with the actions of the Association, you may also contact the Office of the Insurance Commissioner.

# **CONCLUSION**

This brochure has been prepared by the Washington Life and Disability Insurance Guaranty Association. Its purpose is to inform the public in a general way of the protections that are available in this state on insurance policies and annuity contracts issued by companies authorized to do business in Washington. The Association does not, by this brochure, endorse any company or its products, but rather seeks to address some of the concerns that you may have regarding the security of insurance policies and annuity contracts.

For more information or answers to specific questions you may contact the Washington Life and Disability Insurance Guaranty Association or the Office of the Insurance Commissioner, whose addresses and telephone numbers are shown in the Preface.



# STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY

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# CERTIFICATE AND SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION GROUP ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

Policyholder: Seattle Pacific University
Policy Number: 166506-B
Effective Date: January 1, 2020

A Group Policy has been issued to the Policyholder. We certify that you will be insured as provided by the terms of the Group Policy. If your coverage is changed by an amendment to the Group Policy, we will provide the Policyholder with a revised Certificate and Summary Plan Description or other notice to be given to you.

Possession of this Certificate and Summary Plan Description does not necessarily mean you are insured. You are insured only if you meet the requirements set out in this Certificate and Summary Plan Description.

"We", "us" and "our" mean Standard Insurance Company. "You" and "your" mean the Member. All other defined terms appear with the initial letters capitalized. Section headings, and references to them, appear in boldface type.

Chairman, President and CEO

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# **COVERAGE FEATURES**

This section contains many of the features of your group accidental death and dismemberment insurance (AD&D Insurance). Other provisions, including exclusions and limitations appear in other sections. Please refer to the text of each section for full details. The Table of Contents and the Index of Defined Terms help locate sections and definitions.

#### GENERAL POLICY INFORMATION

Group Policy Number: 166506-B

Policyholder: Seattle Pacific University
Employer(s): Seattle Pacific University

Group Policy Effective Date: January 1, 2020

Policy Issued in: Washington

#### BECOMING INSURED

To become insured for AD&D Insurance you must: (a) Be a Member; (b) Complete your Eligibility Waiting Period; and (c) Meet the requirements in **When AD&D Insurance Becomes Effective** and **Active Work Provisions**.

Definition of Member: You are a Member if you are:

1. An active employee of the Employer; and

2. Regularly working at least 20 hours each week.

You are not a Member if you are:

1. A temporary or seasonal employee.

2. A leased employee.

3. An independent contractor.

4. A full time member of the armed forces of any country.

Class Definition: None

Eligibility Waiting Period: You are eligible on one of the following dates, but not

before the Group Policy Effective Date:

If you are a Member on the Group Policy Effective Date, you are eligible on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following 30 consecutive days as a

Member.

If you become a Member after the Group Policy Effective Date, you are eligible on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following 30 consecutive

days as a Member.

#### PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Members: Contributory

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Spouse: Contributory
Children: Contributory

#### SCHEDULE OF AD&D INSURANCE

Member: You may apply for AD&D Insurance Benefits in multiples

of \$10,000, from \$10,000 to \$500,000. The maximum benefit for your AD&D Insurance Benefit may not exceed 8 times your Annual Earnings. The amount payable for certain Losses is less than 100% of the AD&D Insurance

Benefit. See AD&D Table Of Losses.

For Your Spouse: You may apply for AD&D Insurance Benefits in multiples

of \$5,000, from \$5,000 to \$250,000. The amount payable for certain Losses is less than 100% of the AD&D

Insurance Benefit. See AD&D Table Of Losses.

For Your Children: You may apply for AD&D Insurance Benefits in multiples

of \$2,000, from \$2,000 to \$10,000. The amount payable for certain Losses is less than 100% of the AD&D

Insurance Benefit. See AD&D Table Of Losses.

SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONAL AD&D INSURANCE

Seat Belt Benefit: The amount of the Seat Belt Benefit is the lesser of (1)

\$10,000 or (2) the amount of AD&D Insurance Benefit

payable for that Loss of life.

Air Bag Benefit: The amount of the Air Bag Benefit is the lesser of (1)

\$5,000; or (2) the amount of AD&D Insurance Benefit

payable for that Loss of life.

Repatriation Benefit: The expenses incurred to transport your body to a

mortuary near your primary place of residence, reduced by the amount of the Repatriation Benefit paid under any Group Life Insurance Policy issued by us, but not to exceed \$5,000 or 10% of the AD&D Insurance Benefit,

whichever is less.

Career Adjustment Benefit: The tuition expenses for training incurred by your Spouse

within 36 months after the date of your death, exclusive of board and room, books, fees, supplies and other expenses, reduced by the amount of the Career Adjust Benefit paid under any Group Life Insurance Policy issued by us, but not to exceed \$5,000 per year, or the cumulative total of \$10,000 or 25% of the AD&D Insurance Benefit,

whichever is less.

Child Care Benefit: The total child care expense incurred by your Spouse

within 36 months after the date of your death for all Children under age 13, reduced by the amount of the Child Care Benefit paid under any Group Life Insurance Policy issued by us, but not to exceed \$5,000 per year, or the cumulative total of \$10,000 or 25% of the AD&D

Insurance Benefit, whichever is less.

Higher Education Benefit:

The tuition expenses incurred per Child within 4 years after the date of your death at an accredited institution of higher education, exclusive of board and room, books, fees, supplies and other expenses, reduced by the amount of the Higher Education Benefit paid under any Group Life Insurance Policy issued by us, but not to exceed \$5,000 per year, or the cumulative total of \$20,000 or 25% of the AD&D Insurance Benefit, whichever is less.

#### AD&D TABLE OF LOSSES

Loss:

The amount payable is a percentage of the AD&D Insurance Benefits or the Dependents AD&D Insurance Benefits in effect on the date of the accident and is determined by the Loss suffered as shown in the following table:

Percentage Payable:

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a.	Life	100%
b.	One hand or one foot	50%
c.	Sight in one eye, speech, or hearing in both ears	50%
d.	Two or more of the Losses listed in b. and c. above	100%
e.	Thumb and index finger of the same hand	25%*
f.	Quadriplegia	100%**
g.	Hemiplegia	50%**
h.	Paraplegia	50%**
i.	Coma	1% per month of the remainder of the AD&D Insurance Benefit payable for Loss of life after reduction by any AD&D Insurance Benefit paid for any other Loss as a result of the same accident. Payments for coma will not exceed a maximum of 12 months.

No more than 100% of your AD&D Insurance Benefit will be paid for all Losses resulting from one accident.

- \* No AD&D Insurance Benefits will be paid for Loss of thumb and index finger of the same hand if an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for the Loss of that entire hand.
- \*\* No AD&D Insurance Benefit will be paid for loss of function of a hand or foot if an AD&D Insurance Benefit is payable for Quadriplegia, Hemiplegia or Paraplegia involving that same hand or foot.

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# REDUCTIONS IN INSURANCE

If you reach an age shown below, the amount of insurance will be the amount determined from the Schedule Of Insurance, multiplied by the appropriate percentage below:

AD&D Insurance:

Age of Member Percentage

70 through 74 65% 75 or over 50%

AD&D Insurance For Your Spouse:

Age of Member Percentage

70 through 74 65% 75 or over 50%

# OTHER PROVISIONS

Annual Earnings based on: Earnings in effect on your last full day of Active Work.

# ERISA SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION

Name of Plan: AD&D Insurance

Name, Address of Plan Sponsor: Seattle Pacific University

330 W. Nickerson St. SEATTLE WA 98119

Plan Sponsor Tax ID Number: 91-0565553

Plan Number: 507

Type of Plan: Group Insurance Plan

Type of Administration: Contract Administration

Name, Address, Phone

Number of Plan Administrator: Plan Sponsor

(206) 281-2676

Name, Address of Registered Agent

for Service of Legal Process: Plan Administrator

If Legal Process Involves Claims For Benefits Under The Group Policy, Additional Notification of

Legal Process Must Be Sent To: Standard Insurance Company

1100 SW 6th Ave

Portland OR 97204-1093

Sources of Contributions: Member

Funding Medium: Standard Insurance Company - Fully Insured

Plan Fiscal Year End: December 31

#### ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

#### A. Insuring Clause

If you or your Dependent have an accident, including accidental exposure to adverse weather conditions, while insured under the Group Policy and the accident results in a Loss, we will pay benefits according to the terms of the Group Policy after we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

#### B. Definition Of Loss

Loss means loss of life, hand, foot, sight, speech, hearing in both ears, thumb and index finger of the same hand, coma and Quadriplegia, Hemiplegia or Paraplegia which meets all of the following requirements:

- 1. Is caused solely and directly by an accident.
- 2. Occurs independently of all other causes.
- 3. Occurs within 365 days after the accident.

With respect to Loss of life, death will be presumed if you or your Dependent disappear and the disappearance:

- 1. Is caused solely and directly by an accident that reasonably could have caused Loss of life;
- 2. Occurs independently of all other causes; and
- 3. Continued for a period of 365 days after the date of the accident, despite reasonable search efforts.

With respect to a hand or foot, Loss means actual and permanent severance from the body at or above the wrist or ankle joints, whether or not surgically reattached.

With respect to sight, Loss means entire, uncorrectable, and irrecoverable loss of sight, as certified by a Diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology.

With respect to speech, Loss means entire and irrecoverable loss of audible speech, as certified by a Diplomate of the American Board of Otolaryngology.

With respect to hearing, Loss means entire, uncorrectable, and irrecoverable loss of hearing in both ears, as certified by a Diplomate of the American Board of Otolaryngology.

With respect to thumb and index finger of the same hand, Loss means actual and permanent severance from the body at or above the metacarpophalangeal joints.

With respect to coma, Loss means a profound state of mental unconsciousness with no evidence of appropriate responses to stimulation, lasting for at least 21 consecutive days.

With respect to Quadriplegia, Hemiplegia or Paraplegia, Loss must be certified by a licensed medical professional to be permanent, complete, and irreversible.

Quadriplegia means total paralysis of both upper and lower limbs. Hemiplegia means total paralysis of the upper and lower limbs on the same side of the body. Paraplegia means total paralysis of both lower limbs.

# C. Amount Payable

The amount of AD&D Insurance Benefits is shown in the **Coverage Features**. The amount payable for certain Losses will differ.

#### D. Changes In AD&D Insurance Benefits

#### 1. Increases

You must apply in writing for any increase in AD&D Insurance Benefits. Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, an increase in AD&D Insurance Benefits becomes effective as follows:

An increase in AD&D Insurance Benefits becomes effective on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date you apply for the increase.

#### 2. Decreases

A decrease in AD&D Insurance Benefits because of a change in your age becomes effective on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date of the change in your age.

Any other decrease in AD&D Insurance Benefits becomes effective on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date the Policyholder receives your written request for the decrease.

#### E. AD&D Insurance Exclusions

No AD&D Insurance Benefits are payable if the accident or Loss is caused or contributed to by any of the following:

- 1. War or act of War. War means declared or undeclared war, whether civil or international, and any substantial armed conflict between organized forces of a military nature
- 2. Suicide or other intentionally self-inflicted Injury, while sane or insane.
- 3. Committing or attempting to commit an assault or felony, or actively participating in a violent disorder or riot. Actively participating does not include being at the scene of a violent disorder or riot while performing official duties.
- 4. The voluntary use or consumption of any poison, chemical compound, alcohol or drug, unless used or consumed according to the directions of a Physician.
- 5. Sickness or Pregnancy existing at the time of the accident or exposure.
- 6. Heart attack or stroke.
- 7. Medical or surgical treatment or diagnostic procedure for any of the above.
- 8. Boarding, leaving, or being in or on any kind of aircraft. However, this exclusion will not apply if the person who suffers the Loss is a fare paying passenger on a commercial aircraft.

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#### ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

# Seat Belt Benefit

The amount of the Seat Belt Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Seat Belt Benefit if you or your Dependent meet all of the following requirements:

- 1. You or your Dependent die as a result of an Automobile accident for which AD&D Insurance Benefits are payable for Loss of life; and
- 2. You or your Dependent were wearing and properly utilizing a Seat Belt System at the time of the accident, as evidenced by a police accident report.

The Seat Belt Benefit will be paid according to the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions** in the same manner as the AD&D Insurance Benefits.

Seat Belt System means a properly installed combination lap and shoulder restraint system that meets the Federal Vehicle Safety Standards of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Seat Belt System will include a lap belt alone, but only if the Automobile did not have a combination lap and shoulder restraint system when manufactured. Seat Belt System does not include a shoulder restraint alone.

Automobile means a motor vehicle licensed for use on public highways.

# Air Bag Benefit

The amount of the Air Bag Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay an Air Bag Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You or your Dependent die as a result of an Automobile accident for which a Seat Belt Benefit is payable for Loss of life.
- 2. The Automobile is equipped with an Air Bag System that was installed as original equipment by the Automobile manufacturer and has received regular maintenance or scheduled replacement as recommended by the Automobile or Air Bag manufacturer.
- 3. You or your Dependent were seated in the driver's or a passenger's seating position intended to be protected by the Air Bag System and the respective Air Bag System deployed in the crash as evidenced by a police accident report.

The Air Bag Benefit will be paid according to the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions** in the same manner as the AD&D Insurance Benefits

Air Bag System means an automatically inflatable passive restraint system that is designed to provide automatic crash protection in front or side impact Automobile accidents and meets the Federal Vehicle Safety Standards of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Automobile means a motor vehicle licensed for use on public highways.

#### Repatriation Benefit

The amount of the Repatriation Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Repatriation Benefit if all of the following requirements are met.

- 1. You die as a result of an accident for which AD&D Insurance Benefits are payable for Loss of life.
- 2. You are on the date of death, more than 200 miles from the deceased's primary place of residence.
- 3. Expenses are incurred to transport the body to a mortuary near the deceased's primary place of residence.

The Repatriation Benefit will be paid to the person who incurred the transportation expenses.

#### Career Adjustment Benefit

The amount of the Career Adjustment Benefit is shown in the Coverage Features.

We will pay a Career Adjustment Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You are insured under the Group Policy.
- 2. You die as a result of an accident for which AD&D Insurance Benefits are payable for Loss of your life.
- 3. Your Spouse is, within 36 months after the date of your death, registered and in attendance at an accredited institution of higher education or trades training program for the purpose of obtaining employment or increasing earnings.

The Career Adjustment Benefit will be paid to your surviving Spouse. If you have no surviving Spouse, no Career Adjustment Benefit will be paid.

#### Child Care Benefit

The amount of the Child Care Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Child Care Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You are insured under the Group Policy.
- 2. You die as a result of an accident for which AD&D Insurance Benefits are payable for Loss of your life.
- 3. Your Spouse pays a licensed child care provider who is not a member of your family for child care provided to your Child(ren) under age 13 within 36 months of your death.
- 4. The child care is necessary in order for your Spouse to work or to obtain training for work or to increase earnings.

The Child Care Benefit will be paid to your surviving Spouse. If you have no surviving Spouse, no Child Care Benefit will be paid.

# Higher Education Benefit

The amount of the Higher Education Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Higher Education Benefit if all of the following requirements are met:

- 1. You are insured under the Group Policy.
- 2. You die as a result of an accident for which AD&D Insurance Benefits are payable for Loss of your life.
- 3. On the date of your death the Child meets one of the following requirements:
  - a. Is registered and in full-time attendance at an accredited institution of higher education beyond high school.
  - b. The Child is in the last year of high school before graduation and within one year is registered and in full-time attendance at an accredited institution of higher education beyond high school.

The Higher Education Benefit will be paid annually to each Child who meets the requirements of item 3.a above, for a maximum of 4 consecutive years beginning on the date of your death. No Higher Education Benefit will be paid if there is no Child eligible to receive it.

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# WHEN AD&D INSURANCE BECOMES EFFECTIVE

#### A. Becoming Insured For AD&D Insurance

The **Coverage Features** states whether your AD&D Insurance is Contributory or Noncontributory. Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, your AD&D Insurance becomes effective as follows:

1. Noncontributory AD&D Insurance

Noncontributory AD&D Insurance becomes effective on the date you become eligible.

2. Contributory AD&D Insurance

You must apply in writing for Contributory AD&D Insurance and agree to pay premiums. Contributory AD&D Insurance becomes effective on the later of:

- a. The date you become eligible if you apply on or before that date.
- b. The date you apply, if you apply after you become eligible.

#### 3. Takeover Provision

If you were insured under the Prior Plan on the day before the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy, your Eligibility Waiting Period is waived on the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy.

# B. Becoming Insured For AD&D Insurance for your Dependents

# 1. Eligibility

You become eligible to insure your Dependents on the later of:

- a. The date you become eligible for AD&D Insurance.
- b. The date you first acquire a Dependent.

#### 2. Effective Date

The **Coverage Features** states whether AD&D Insurance for your Dependents is Contributory or Noncontributory. Subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, AD&D Insurance for your Dependents becomes effective as follows:

a. Noncontributory AD&D Insurance

Noncontributory AD&D Insurance becomes effective on the later of:

- (i) The date your AD&D Insurance becomes effective.
- (ii) The date you first acquire a Dependent.
- b. Contributory AD&D Insurance

Contributory AD&D Insurance becomes effective on the latest of:

- (i) The date your AD&D Insurance becomes effective.
- (ii) The date you become eligible to insure your Dependents if you apply on or before that date.
- (iii) The date you apply to insure your Dependents if you apply after you become eligible.

While AD&D Insurance for your Dependents is in effect, each new Dependent becomes insured immediately.

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# **ACTIVE WORK PROVISIONS**

If you are incapable of Active Work because of Sickness, Injury or Pregnancy on the day before the scheduled effective date of your insurance or an increase in your insurance under the Group Policy, your insurance or increase in your insurance will not become effective until the day after you complete one full day of Active Work as an eligible Member.

Active Work and Actively At Work mean performing the material duties of your own occupation at your Employer's usual place of business.

You will also meet the Active Work requirement if:

- 1. You were absent from Active Work because of a regularly scheduled day off, holiday, or vacation day;
- 2. You were Actively At Work on your last scheduled work day before the date of your absence; and

3. You were capable of Active Work on the day before the scheduled effective date of your insurance or increase in your insurance.

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#### WHEN AD&D INSURANCE ENDS

AD&D Insurance ends automatically on the earliest of the following:

- 1. The date the last period ends for which a premium was paid for your AD&D Insurance.
- 2. The date the Group Policy terminates.
- 3. The date your employment terminates.
- 4. The date you cease to be a Member. However, if you cease to be a Member because you are not working the required minimum number of hours, your AD&D Insurance will be continued with payment of premium, during a leave of absence which is required by the federal or a statemandated family or medical leave act or law, unless it ends under 1 through 3 above.

# For your Spouse:

- 1. The date your AD&D Insurance ends.
- 2. The date of your divorce or termination of your Domestic Partner relationship.

#### For your Child:

- 1. The date your AD&D Insurance ends.
- 2. The date your Child ceases to be a Child.

However, if your Child is Disabled on the day before AD&D Insurance would otherwise end because of the Child's age, AD&D Insurance will be continued with payment of premium, provided, you give us satisfactory proof of Disability on our forms within 31 days after the date on which AD&D Insurance would otherwise end because of the Child's age.

At reasonable intervals thereafter, we may require further proof of Disability and have your Child examined at our expense.

For your Child who is Disabled:

- 1. The date your AD&D Insurance ends, or
- 2. The date your Child ceases to be Disabled, or
- 3. 90 days after the date we mail you a request for proof of continued Disability, if proof is not given.

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#### REINSTATEMENT OF AD&D INSURANCE

If your AD&D Insurance ends, you may become insured again as a new Member. However, the following will apply:

- 1. If your AD&D Insurance ends because you cease to be a Member, and if you become a Member again within 90 days, the Eligibility Waiting Period will be waived.
- 2. If your AD&D Insurance ends because you are on a federal or state-mandated family or medical leave of absence, and you become a Member again immediately following the period allowed, AD&D Insurance will be reinstated pursuant to the federal or state-mandated family or medical leave act or law.

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# CONTINUATION OF AD&D INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS

AD&D Insurance for your Dependents will continue without payment of premium for 5 months after the date of your death, unless it ends for any reason other than your death.

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#### **CLAIMS**

#### A. Filing A Claim

Claims should be filed on our forms. If we do not provide our forms within 15 days after they are requested, the claim may be submitted in a letter to us.

# B. Time Limits On Filing Proof Of Loss

Proof Of Loss must be provided within 90 days after the date of the Loss. If that is not possible, it must be provided as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year after that 90-day period.

If Proof Of Loss is filed outside these time limits, the claim will be denied. These limits will not apply while the Member or Beneficiary lacks legal capacity.

With respect to coma, we will require Proof Of Loss of the comatose condition at reasonable intervals. If proof is not given within 90 days, benefits payable for coma will end.

#### C. Proof Of Loss

Proof Of Loss means written proof that a Loss occurred:

- 1. For which the Group Policy provides benefits;
- 2. Which is not subject to any exclusions; and
- 3. Which meets all other conditions for benefits.

Proof Of Loss includes any other information we may reasonably require in support of a claim. Proof Of Loss must be in writing and must be provided at the expense of the claimant. No benefits will be paid until we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

#### D. Investigation Of Claim

We may have you or your Dependent examined at our expense at reasonable intervals. Any such examination will be conducted by specialists of our choice.

We may have an autopsy performed at our expense, except where prohibited by law.

#### E. Time Of Payment

We will pay benefits within 60 days after Proof Of Loss is satisfied.

#### F. Notice Of Decision On Claim

We will evaluate a claim for benefits promptly after we receive it. Within 90 days after we receive the claim we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on the claim; or (b) a notice that we are extending the period to decide the claim for an additional 90 days.

If we extend the period to decide the claim, we will notify the claimant of the following: (a) the reasons for the extension; (b) when we expect to decide the claim; (c) an explanation of the standards on which entitlement to benefits is based; (d) the unresolved issues preventing a decision; and (e) any additional information we need to resolve those issues.

If we request additional information, the claimant will have 45 days to provide the information. If the claimant does not provide the requested information within 45 days, we may decide the claim based on the information we have received.

If we deny any part of the claim, we will send the claimant a written notice of denial containing:

- 1. The reasons for our decision.
- 2. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- 3. A description of any additional information needed to support the claim.
- 4. Information concerning the claimant's right to a review of our decision.
- 5. Information concerning the right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA if the claim is denied on review.

#### G. Review Procedure

If all or part of a claim is denied, the claimant may request a review. The claimant must request a review in writing within 60 days after receiving notice of the denial of the claim.

The claimant may send us written comments or other items to support the claim. The claimant may review and receive copies of any non-privileged information that is relevant to the request for review. There will be no charge for such copies. Our review will include any written comments or other items the claimant submits to support the claim.

We will review the claim promptly after we receive the request. With respect to all claims, within 60 days after we receive the request for review we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on review; or (b) a notice that we are extending the review period for 60 days.

If an extension is due to the claimant's failure to provide information necessary to decide the claim on review, the extended time period for review of the claim will not begin until the claimant provides the information or otherwise responds.

If we extend the review period, we will notify the claimant of the following: (a) the reasons for the extension; (b) when we expect to decide the claim on review; and (c) any additional information we need to decide the claim.

If we request additional information, the claimant will have 45 days to provide the information. If the claimant does not provide the requested information within 45 days, we may conclude our review of the claim based on the information we have received.

If we deny any part of the claim on review, the claimant will receive a written notice of denial containing:

- 1. The reasons for our decision.
- 2. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- 3. Information concerning the claimant's right to receive, free of charge, copies of non-privileged documents and records relevant to the claim.
- 4. Information concerning the right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA.

The Group Policy does not provide voluntary alternative dispute resolution options. However, you may contact your local U.S. Department of Labor Office and your State insurance regulatory agency for assistance.

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#### ASSIGNMENT

The rights and benefits under the Group Policy cannot be assigned.

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# BENEFIT PAYMENT AND BENEFICIARY PROVISIONS

#### A. Payment Of Benefits

- 1. Except as provided in item 5 below, benefits payable because of your death or coma will be paid to the Beneficiary you name. Benefits for coma will cease after the comatose condition has ceased, whether by death, recovery, or any other change in condition. See B through E of this section.
- 2. AD&D Insurance benefits payable for Losses other than Loss of Life or coma will be paid to the person who suffers the Loss for which benefits are payable. Any such benefits remaining unpaid at that person's death will be paid according to the provisions for payment of a death benefit.
- 3. The benefits below will be paid to you if you are living.
  - a. AD&D Insurance benefits payable because of the death or coma of your Dependent.
  - b. Dependents Life Insurance benefits.
  - c. Accelerated Benefits.
- 4. Dependents Life Insurance benefits and AD&D Insurance benefits payable because of the death of your Dependent which are unpaid at your death will be paid in equal shares to the first surviving class of the classes below.
  - a. The children of the Dependent.
  - b. The parents of the Dependent.
  - c. The brothers and sisters of the Dependent.
  - d. Your estate.
- 5. Additional Benefits will be paid as follows:

The Child Care Benefit will be paid to your surviving Spouse. No Child Care Benefit will be paid if you have no Spouse.

The Career Adjustment Benefit will be paid to your Spouse. No Career Adjustment Benefit will be paid if you have no Spouse.

The Higher Education Benefit will be paid to each eligible Child. No Higher Education Benefit will be paid if there is no Child eligible to receive it.

The Repatriation Benefit will be paid to the person who incurs the transportation expenses.

#### B. Naming A Beneficiary

Beneficiary means a person you name to receive death benefits. You may name one or more Beneficiaries.

If you name two or more Beneficiaries in a class:

- 1. Two or more surviving Beneficiaries will share equally, unless you provide for unequal shares.
- 2. If you provide for unequal shares in a class, and two or more Beneficiaries in that class survive, we will pay each surviving Beneficiary his or her designated share. Unless you provide otherwise, we will then pay the share(s) otherwise due to any deceased Beneficiary(ies) to the

surviving Beneficiaries pro rata based on the relationship that the designated percentage or fractional share of each surviving Beneficiary bears to the total shares of all surviving Beneficiaries.

3. If only one Beneficiary in a class survives, we will pay the total death benefits to that Beneficiary.

You may name or change Beneficiaries at any time without the consent of a Beneficiary.

You must name or change Beneficiaries in writing. Writing includes a form signed by you, or a verification from us or our designated agent, the Policyholder or the Policyholder's designated agent, or the Employer or the Employer's designated agent of an electronic or telephonic designation made by you.

# Your designation:

- 1. Must be dated;
- 2. Must be delivered to us or our designated agent, the Policyholder or the Policyholder's designated agent, or the Employer or the Employer's designated agent, during your lifetime;
- 3. Must relate to the AD&D Insurance provided under the Group Policy; and
- 4. Will take effect on the date it is delivered to or, if a telephonic or electronic designation, verified by us or our designated agent, the Policyholder or the Policyholder's designated agent, or the Employer or the Employer's designated agent.

If we approve it, a designation, which meets the requirements of a Prior Plan will be accepted as your Beneficiary designation under the Group Policy.

#### C. Simultaneous Death Provision

If a Beneficiary or a person in one of the classes listed in item D. No Surviving Beneficiary dies on the same day you die, or within 15 days thereafter, benefits will be paid as if that Beneficiary or person had died before you, unless Proof Of Loss with respect to your death is delivered to us before the date of the Beneficiary's death.

# D. No Surviving Beneficiary

If you do not name a Beneficiary, or if you are not survived by one, benefits will be paid in equal shares to the first surviving class of the classes below.

- 1. Your Spouse. (See **Definitions**)
- 2. Your children.
- 3. Your parents.
- 4. Your brothers and sisters.
- 5. Your estate.

# E. Methods Of Payment

Recipient means a person who is entitled to benefits under this **Benefit Payment and Beneficiary Provisions** section.

# 1. Lump Sum

If the amount payable to a Recipient is less than \$25,000, we will pay it in a lump sum.

#### 2. Standard Secure Access Checking Account

If the amount payable to a Recipient is \$25,000, or more, we will deposit it into a Standard Secure Access checking account which:

- a. Bears interest at a rate equal to the 13-week Treasury Bill (T-Bill) auction rate, but not to exceed 5%;
- b. Is owned by the Recipient;
- c. Is subject to the terms and conditions of a confirmation certificate which will be given to the Recipient; and
- d. Is fully guaranteed by us.

#### 3. Installments

Payment to a Recipient may be made in installments if:

- a. The amount payable is \$25,000 or more;
- b. The Recipient chooses; and
- c. We agree.

To the extent permitted by law, the amount payable to the Recipient will not be subject to any legal process or to the claims of any creditor or creditor's representative.

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#### TIME LIMITS ON LEGAL ACTIONS

No action at law or in equity may be brought until 60 days after we have been given Proof Of Loss. No such action may be brought more than three years after the earlier of:

- 1. The date we receive Proof Of Loss; and
- 2. The time within which Proof Of Loss is required to be given.

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# **INCONTESTABILITY PROVISIONS**

#### A. Incontestability Of Insurance

Any statement made to obtain or to increase insurance under the Group Policy is a representation and not a warranty.

No misrepresentation will be used to reduce or deny a claim unless:

- 1. The insurance would not have been approved if we had known the truth; and
- 2. We have given you or any other person claiming benefits a copy of the signed written instrument which contains the misrepresentation.

We will not use a misrepresentation to reduce or deny a claim after the insurance under the Group Policy, for which such representation was made, has been in effect for two years, unless it was a fraudulent misrepresentation.

#### B. Incontestability Of Group Policy

Any statement made by the Policyholder to obtain the Group Policy is a representation and not a warranty.

No misrepresentation by the Policyholder will be used to deny a claim or to deny the validity of the Group Policy unless:

- 1. The Group Policy would not have been issued if we had known the truth; and
- 2. We have given the Policyholder a copy of a written instrument signed by the Policyholder which contains the misrepresentation.

The validity of the Group Policy will not be contested after it has been in force for two years, except for:

- 1. Nonpayment of premiums; or
- 2. Fraudulent misrepresentations.

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# CLERICAL ERROR, AGENCY, AND MISSTATEMENT

#### A. Clerical Error

Clerical error by the Policyholder, your Employer, or their respective employees or representatives will not:

- 1. Cause a person to become insured;
- 2. Invalidate insurance under the Group Policy otherwise validly in force; or
- 3. Continue insurance under the Group Policy otherwise validly terminated.

# B. Agency

The Policyholder and your Employer act on their own behalf as your agent, and not as our agent. The Policyholder and your Employer have no authority to alter, expand or extend our liability or to waive, modify or compromise any defense or right we may have under the Group Policy.

#### C. Misstatement Of Age

If a person's age has been misstated, we will make an equitable adjustment of premiums, benefits, or both. The adjustment will be based on:

- 1. The amount of insurance based on the correct age; and
- 2. The difference between the premiums paid and the premiums which would have been paid if the age had been correctly stated.

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#### TERMINATION OR AMENDMENT OF THE GROUP POLICY

The Group Policy may be terminated by us or the Policyholder according to its terms. It will terminate automatically for nonpayment of premium. The Policyholder may terminate the Group Policy in whole, and may terminate insurance for any class or group of Members, at any time by giving us written notice.

Benefits under the Group Policy are limited to its terms, including any valid amendment. No change or amendment will be valid unless it is approved in writing by one of our executive officers and given to the Policyholder for attachment to the Group Policy. The Policyholder, your Employer, and their respective employees or representatives have no right or authority to change or amend the Group Policy or to waive any of its terms or provisions without our signed written approval.

We may change the Group Policy in whole or in part when any change or clarification in law or governmental regulation affects our obligations under the Group Policy, or with the Policyholder's consent.

Any such change or amendment of the Group Policy may apply to current or future Members or to any separate classes or groups thereof.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

Annual Earnings means your annual rate of earnings from your Employer. Your Annual Earnings will be based on your earnings in effect on your last full day of Active Work unless a different date applies (see the **Coverage Features**). Annual Earnings includes:

- 1. Contributions you make through a salary reduction agreement with your Employer to:
  - a. An Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 401(k), 403(b), 408(k), or 457 deferred compensation arrangement; or
  - b. An executive nonqualified deferred compensation arrangement.
- 2. Amounts contributed to your fringe benefits according to a salary reduction agreement under an IRC Section 125 plan.

Annual Earnings does not include:

- 1. Bonuses.
- 2. Commissions.
- 3. Overtime pay.
- 4. Shift differential pay.
- 5. Stock options or stock bonuses.
- 6. Your Employer's contributions on your behalf to any deferred compensation arrangement or pension plan.
- 7. Any other extra compensation.

#### Child means:

- 1. Your child from live birth through age 25; or
- 2. Your Disabled child who is continuously incapable of self-sustaining employment because of mental or physical handicap; and chiefly dependent upon you for support and maintenance or institutionalized because of mental or physical handicap.

Child includes any of the following, if they otherwise meet the definition of Child:

- i. Your adopted child; or
- ii. Your stepchild or child of your Spouse, if living in your home.

Contributory means you pay all or part of the premium for insurance.

Dependent means your Spouse or Child. Dependent does not include a full-time member of the armed forces of any country. A Member may not be insured as both a Member and a Dependent. A Child may not be insured by more than one Member.

Eligibility Waiting Period means the period you must be a Member before you become eligible for AD&D Insurance. See **Coverage Features**.

Group Policy means the group accidental death and dismemberment insurance policy issued by us to the Policyholder and identified by the Group Policy Number.

Injury means an injury to your body.

L.L.C. Owner-Employee means an individual who owns an equity interest in an Employer and is actively employed in the conduct of the Employer's business.

Noncontributory means the Policyholder pays the entire premium for insurance.

P.C. Partner means the sole active employee and majority shareholder of a professional corporation in partnership with the Policyholder.

Physician means a licensed M.D. or D.O. acting within the scope of the license. Physician does not include you or your Spouse, or the brother, sister, parent or child of either you or your Spouse.

Pregnancy means the pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions, including complications of pregnancy.

Prior Plan means your Employer's group accidental death and dismemberment insurance plan in effect on the day before the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy and which is replaced by the Group Policy.

Sickness means your sickness, illness, or disease.

# Spouse means:

- 1. A person to whom you are legally married; or
- 2. A person who is your Domestic Partner. Your Domestic Partner means an individual recognized as such under applicable law.

For purposes of insurance under the Group Policy, Spouse does not include a person who is eligible for AD&D Insurance as a Member or a person who is a full-time member of the armed forces of any country or a person from whom you are divorced or from whom you have terminated a Domestic Partner relationship.

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# ERISA INFORMATION AND NOTICE OF RIGHTS

The following information and notice of rights and protections is furnished by the Plan Administrator as required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA)

A. General Plan Information

The General Plan Information required by ERISA is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

- B. Statement Of Your Rights Under ERISA
  - 1. Right To Examine Plan Documents

You have the right to examine all Plan documents, including any insurance contracts or collective bargaining agreements, and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration. These documents may be examined free of charge at the Plan Administrator's office.

2. Right To Obtain Copies Of Plan Documents

You have the right to obtain copies of all Plan documents, including any insurance contracts or collective bargaining agreements, a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series), and updated summary plan description upon written request to the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for these copies.

#### 3. Right To Receive A Copy Of Annual Report

The Plan Administrator must give you a copy of the Plan's summary annual financial report, if the Plan was required to file an annual report. There will be no charge for the report.

# 4. Right To Review Of Denied Claims

If your claim for a Plan benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you have the right: a) to know why this was done; b) to obtain copies of documents relating to the decision, without charge; and c) to have your claim reviewed and reconsidered, all within certain time schedules.

# C. Obligations Of Fiduciaries

In addition to creating rights for plan participants, ERISA imposes duties upon the people who are responsible for the operation of the Plan. The people who operate the Plan, called "fiduciaries" of the Plan, have a duty to do so prudently and in the interest of all Plan participants and beneficiaries. No one, including your employer, your union, or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from obtaining a Plan benefit or exercising your rights under ERISA.

# D. Enforcing ERISA Rights

Under ERISA, there are steps you can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request Plan documents or the latest annual report from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, you may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay you up to \$110 a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Plan Administrator.

If you have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state or Federal court. If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or you may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If you are successful the court may order the person you have sued to pay these costs and fees. If you lose, the court may order you to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds your claim is frivolous.

# E. Additional Procedures For Claims Based on Disability Determinations Filed on or after April 1, 2018

If we deny any part of your claim for a benefit that relies on a disability determination, you will receive a written notice of denial containing a copy of any internal rule or guideline relied upon in making the decision, or a statement that no such rules or guidelines exist. The notice of denial will also include information concerning your right to receive, free of charge, copies of non-privileged documents and records relevant to your claim.

If all or part of a claim is denied, you may request a review. Before we issue a decision on review for a benefit that relies on a disability decision, we will provide you, free of charge, with any new evidence or rationale considered, relied upon, or generated by us in connection with the claim, and we will provide such new evidence or rationale sufficiently in advance of the decision deadline date to give you a reasonable opportunity to respond prior to that date.

If our review results in a denial of any part of your claim for a benefit that relies on a disability decision, your written notice of denial will contain a copy of any internal rule or guideline relied upon in making the decision, or a statement that no such rules or guidelines exist. The notice of denial will also include information concerning your right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA and a description of any applicable contractual limitations period that applies to your right to bring such an action, including the calendar date on which the contractual limitations period expires for the claim.

# F. Plan And ERISA Questions

If you have any questions about the Plan, you should contact the Plan Administrator. If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, or if you need assistance in obtaining documents from the Plan Administrator, you should contact the nearest office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, DC 20210. You may also obtain certain publications about your rights and responsibilities under ERISA by calling the publications hotline of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.

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