

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
GROUP LIFE INSURANCE CERTIFICATE



Administered by the Joint Labor-Management Benefits Committee

CALIFORNIA LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTEE ASSOCIATION ACT

SUMMARY DOCUMENT AND DISCLAIMER

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

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

Coverage is NOT provided for your policy or any portion of it that is not guaranteed by the insurer or for which you have assumed the risk, such as a variable contract sold by prospectus.

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

Policyholders with additional questions should first contact their insurer or agent or may then contact:

The California Life and Health Insurance Guarantee Association

PO Box 17319

Beverly Hills CA 90209-3319

OR

Consumer Services Division

California Department of Insurance

300 South Spring St, South Tower

Los Angeles CA 90013

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

COVERAGE

Generally, individuals will be protected by the California Life and Health Insurance Guarantee Association if they live in this state and hold a life or health insurance contract, or an annuity, or if they are insured under a group insurance contract, issued by a member insurer. The beneficiaries, payees or assignees of insured persons are protected as well, even if they live in another state.

EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE

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

Their insurer was not authorized to do business in this state when it issued the policy or contract;

Their policy was issued by a health care service plan (HMO, Blue Cross, Blue Shield), a charitable organization, a fraternal benefit society, a mandatory state pooling plan, a mutual assessment company, an insurance exchange, or a grants and annuities society;

They are eligible for protection under the laws of another state. This may occur when the insolvent insurer was incorporated in another state whose guaranty association protects insureds who live outside that state.

The Guarantee Association also does not provide coverage for:

Unallocated annuity contracts; that is, contracts which are not issued to and owned by an individual and which guarantee rights to group contract holders, not individuals;

Employer or association plans, to the extent they are self-funded or uninsured;

Any policy or portion of a policy which is not guaranteed by the insurer or for which the individual has assumed the risk, such as a variable contract sold by prospectus;

Any policy of reinsurance unless an assumption certificate was issued;

Interest rate yields that exceed an average rate;

Any portion of a contract that provides dividends or experience rating credits.

LIMITS ON AMOUNT OF COVERAGE

The Act limits the Association to pay benefits as follows:

LIFE AND ANNUITY BENEFITS

80% of what the insurance company would owe under a policy or contract up to \$100,000 in cash surrender values,

\$100,000 in present value of annuities, or

\$250,000 in life insurance death benefits.

A maximum of \$250,000 for any one insured life no matter how many policies and contracts there were with the same company, even if the policies provided different types of coverages.

HEALTH BENEFITS

A maximum of \$200,000 of the contractual obligations that the health insurance company would owe were it not insolvent. The maximum may increase or decrease annually based upon changes in the health care cost component of the consumer price index.

PREMIUM SURCHARGE

Member insurers are required to recoup assessments paid to the Association by way of a surcharge on premiums charged for health insurance policies to which the Act applies.

CALIFORNIA NOTICE OF COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

Should any dispute arise about your premium or about a claim that you have filed, write to the company that issued the group policy at:

**Standard Insurance Company
PO Box 711
Portland, OR 97207
(503) 321-7000**

If the problem is not resolved, you may also write to the State of California at:

**Department of Insurance
Consumer Services Division
300 S. Spring Street, 11th FL
Los Angeles, CA 90013
1-800-927-HELP (4357)**

This notice of complaint procedure is for information only and does not become a part or condition of this group policy/certificate.

STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY

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

CERTIFICATE GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

Policyholder:	City of Los Angeles
Policy Number:	630363-G
Effective Date:	January 1, 2011

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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IMPORTANT NOTICE

To

Members insured under Group Policy 630363-G
issued to City of Los Angeles as Policyholder.

Effective July 1, 2011, and subject to the **Active Work Provisions**, the Group Policy is amended as follows:

1. The Definition of Member in the Becoming Insured portion of the **Coverage Features** is amended to provide that an employee will not cease to be a Member solely due to a reduction in work hours under the Employer's mandated furlough program.
2. The definition of Annual Earnings in the **Definitions** section is amended to provide the following:
 - a. If the number of hours you work each biweekly pay period is reduced under Section 4.117 (Reduced Work Schedule) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, your Annual Earnings will be based on the earnings you would be receiving from the Employer if your work hours had not been reduced, including any cost of living increases.
 - b. If the number of hours you work is reduced under the Employer's mandated furlough program, your Annual Earnings for the period of that furlough program will be based on your Annual Earnings that would have been in effect if your work hours had not been reduced, including any cost of living increases.

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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:	630363-G
Type of Insurance Provided:	
Life Insurance:	Yes
Dependents Life Insurance:	Yes
Accidental Death And Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance:	Not applicable
Policyholder:	City of Los Angeles
Employer:	City of Los Angeles
Group Policy Effective Date:	January 1, 2011
Policy Issued in:	California

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 (a) an active civilian employee of the Employer regularly working at least 40 hours each pay period, or (b) an active half-time civilian employee of the Employer regularly working at least 20 hours each pay period, and (c) one of the following:

1. A contributing member of the City Employees' Retirement System, and not represented by an employee representation unit; or
2. Eligible for membership in one of the employee representation units for which an Employer-sponsored term life insurance plan has been negotiated in a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU); or
3. An active elected official or member of the Board of Public Works of the Employer.

You are not a Member if you are:

1. An employee classified by the Employer as a fire or police sworn employee who is not a LACERS member,

other than a fire or police chief who is eligible under Class 3;

2. An employee of the Department of Water and Power;
3. A part-time, intermittent, temporary or seasonal employee, or employee in a similar position; or
4. A full-time member of the armed forces of any country.

Class Definitions:

Class 1: All full-time employees (regardless of representation by an employee representation unit), elected officials, and members of the Board of Public Works; and all regular half-time employees hired on or before July 24, 1989 (regardless of representation by an employee representation unit).

Class 2: All regular half-time employees hired after July 24, 1989 (regardless of representation by an employee representation unit).

Class 3: All full-time employees represented by an employee representation (collective bargaining) unit for which an Employer-sponsored term life insurance plan has been negotiated in Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) 00, 29, 31 or 32; General Managers; and non-represented Assistant General Managers.

Eligibility Waiting Period:

You are eligible on one of the following dates:

If you are a Member on the Group Policy Effective Date, you are eligible on that date.

If you become a Member after the Group Policy Effective Date, you are eligible on the date you become a Member.

Evidence Of Insurability:

Required:

- a. For late application for Plan 2 Life Insurance and Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse.
- b. For reinstatements if required.
- c. For Members and Spouses eligible but not insured for Contributory insurance under the Prior Plan.
- d. For Class 3: For a Plan 1 Life Insurance Benefit in excess of the Guarantee Issue Amount of \$500,000.
- e. For any Plan 2 Life Insurance Benefit in excess of the Guarantee Issue Amount. The Guarantee Issue Amount is equal to the lesser of (a) \$750,000 and (b) 3 times your Annual Earnings, rounded to the next higher multiple of \$1,000 if not already a multiple of \$1,000.
- f. For any elective increase in Plan 2 Life Insurance and Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse.

Evidence Of Insurability is not required for an eligible Child.

Exceptions To Evidence Of Insurability Requirements:

Evidence Of Insurability will be waived as follows, unless (a) Evidence Of Insurability was submitted previously under the Prior Plan or any preceding plan and was not approved, or (b) Evidence of Insurability is required for reinstatement of coverage.

On The Group Policy Effective Date:

Evidence Of Insurability will not be required to become insured on January 1, 2011, for an amount of contributory insurance equal to or less than the amount for which you or your Spouse were insured on December 31, 2010, under the Prior Plan.

If you were eligible but not enrolled for contributory life insurance under the Prior Plan on December 31, 2010, and you applied for contributory life insurance during your Employer’s Annual Enrollment Period immediately preceding January 1, 2011, Evidence Of Insurability will not be required to become insured for Option 1 of Plan 2 Life Insurance (not to exceed the Guarantee Issue Amount) on January 1, 2011.

If you were insured for contributory life insurance under the Prior Plan on December 31, 2010, and you applied for an increase in contributory life insurance during your Employer’s Annual Enrollment Period immediately preceding January 1, 2011, Evidence Of Insurability will not be required to increase your benefit amount to the next higher option of Plan 2 Life Insurance (not to exceed the Guarantee Issue Amount) on January 1, 2011.

If your Spouse was insured for dependents life insurance under the Prior Plan on December 31, 2010, Evidence Of Insurability will not be required for your Spouse to increase coverage on January 1, 2011.

After The Group Policy Effective Date:

If you are insured for Plan 2 Life Insurance and you apply for an increase in Plan 2 Life Insurance during an Annual Enrollment Period, Evidence Of Insurability will not be required to increase your Plan 2 Life Insurance to the next higher option (not to exceed the Guarantee Issue Amount).

If you are eligible but not enrolled for Plan 2 Life Insurance and you apply for Plan 2 Life Insurance during an Annual Enrollment Period, Evidence Of Insurability will not be required to become insured for an amount of Plan 2 Life Insurance not to exceed the Guarantee Issue Amount.

If you are insured for Plan 2 Life Insurance and you apply for an increase in Plan 2 Life Insurance within 30 days of a Family Status Change, Evidence Of Insurability will not be required to increase your Plan 2 Life Insurance to the next higher option (not to exceed the Guarantee Issue Amount).

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

Family Status Change means a Change of Status as defined under your Employer’s IRC Section 125 Cafeteria Plan. The change must be allowed by your Employer’s IRC Section 125 Cafeteria Plan.

PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Life Insurance:

Plan 1: Noncontributory

Plan 2: Contributory

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 Life Insurance 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 any one option of Plan 2 Life Insurance provided you meet the requirements to become insured under Plan 2 Life Insurance. Plan 2 is a Contributory plan requiring premium contributions from Members.

You may be insured under Plan 1 and any one option of Plan 2 at any one time.

Plan 1 (basic):

Class 1: \$10,000

Class 2: \$5,000

Class 3:

General Managers appointed on or after July 1, 2014:
\$10,000

All other Class 3 Members: 1 times your Annual Earnings, rounded to the next higher multiple of \$1,000 if not already a multiple of \$1,000, plus \$10,000. The maximum amount is \$750,000.

Plan 2 (additional):

Your choice of one of the following options:

Option 1: 1 times your Annual Earnings to a maximum of \$1,000,000.

Option 2: 2 times your Annual Earnings to a maximum of \$1,000,000.

Option 3: 3 times your Annual Earnings to a maximum of \$1,000,000.

Option 4: 4 times your Annual Earnings to a maximum of \$1,000,000.

Option 5: 5 times your Annual Earnings to a maximum of \$1,000,000.

Your Plan 2 Life Insurance Benefit is rounded to the next higher multiple of \$1,000, if not already a multiple of \$1,000.

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.

For your Spouse:

If you are insured for Plan 2 Life Insurance, you may apply for Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse. Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse is a Contributory plan requiring premium contributions from Members.

Dependents Life Insurance Benefit
for your Spouse:

Your choice of one of the following options:

- Option 1: \$10,000
- Option 2: \$25,000
- Option 3: \$50,000
- Option 4: \$75,000
- Option 5: \$100,000

The amount of Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse may not exceed 100% of the amount of your Life Insurance.

For your Child:

If you are insured for Plan 2 Life Insurance, you may apply for Dependents Life Insurance for your eligible Child(ren). Dependents Life Insurance for your Child is a Contributory plan requiring premium contributions from Members.

Dependents Life Insurance Benefit
for your Child: \$5,000

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

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:

Plan 1 and Plan 2 Life Insurance for Classes 1 and 2:

Your Age:	Percentage:
65 through 69	65%
70 or over	35%

Plan 1 Life Insurance for Class 3:

For the \$10,000 benefit amount:

Your Age:	Percentage:
65 through 69	65%
70 or over	35%

For the 1 times your Annual Earnings benefit amount:

Your Age:	Percentage:
70 or over	50%

For the additional \$10,000 benefit amount:

Your Age:	Percentage:
65 through 69	65%
70 or over	35%

Plan 2 Life Insurance for Class 3:

Your Age:	Percentage:
65 through 69	65%
70 or over	35%

Dependents Life Insurance for your Spouse:

Your Age:	Percentage:
65 through 69	65%
70 or over	35%

OTHER BENEFITS

Waiver Of Premium:	Yes, for Class 3, Plan 1 Life Insurance only
Accelerated Benefit:	Yes

OTHER PROVISIONS

Suicide Exclusion:	Applies to Plan 2 Life Insurance
Leave Of Absence Period:	60 days
Strike Continuation:	Yes. The Strike Continuation premium percentage is 120% of the Premium Rate.

Insurance Eligible For Portability:

For you:

Life Insurance:	Yes
Minimum combined amount:	\$10,000
Maximum combined amount:	\$1,000,000

For your Spouse:

Dependents Life Insurance:	Yes
Minimum combined amount:	\$5,000
Maximum combined amount:	\$100,000

For your Child:

Dependents Life Insurance:	Yes
Minimum combined amount:	\$1,000
Maximum combined amount:	\$5,000

Annual Earnings, for purposes of determining benefit only, will be based on the Member's Annual Earnings in effect on the last full day of Active Work.

Annual Earnings, for purposes of determining premium payment only, will be based on the last September 1st. The adjusted premium will be paid the following January 1st.

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 later of a) the beginning of the next plan year following the date you apply; and b) 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 date of a change in your classification, pay grade, or Annual Earnings.
- (ii) The first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date you apply for an elective increase.
- (iii) The later of the date you apply or the date of the Family Status Change, if you apply within 30 days of a Family Status Change.
- (iv) 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, pay grade, or Annual Earnings becomes effective on the date of the change.

A decrease in your Life Insurance because of a change in your age becomes effective on 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. Suicide Exclusion: Life Insurance

The **Coverage Features** states which Life Insurance plan is subject to this suicide exclusion.

If your death results from suicide or other intentionally self-inflicted Injury, while sane or insane, 1 and 2 below apply.

1. The amount payable will exclude the amount of your Life Insurance which is subject to this suicide exclusion and which has not been continuously in effect for at least 2 years on the date of your death. In computing the 2-year period, we will include time you were insured under the Prior Plan.
2. We will refund all premiums paid for that portion of your Life Insurance which is excluded from payment under this suicide exclusion.

F. 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 60 days after you become eligible.
- (iii) The later of the date you apply or the date of the Family Status Change, if you apply within 30 days of a Family Status Change.
- (iv) The beginning of the next plan year following the date you apply, if you apply during an Annual Enrollment Period.

Late application: Evidence Of Insurability is required if you apply more than 60 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 Contributory Life Insurance if you were eligible under the Prior Plan for more than 60 days but were not insured for Contributory life insurance.

G. 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, and for up to two years while disability benefits are continuously payable and you are eligible under the Employer's Benefit Protection Plan.
 - 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**.

H. 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. For Contributory Life Insurance, 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 later of the date you apply or the date of the Family Status Change, if you apply within 30 days of a Family Status Change.
- (iv) 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.

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.

Plan 1 (basic) Life Insurance: A Member may be insured as both a Member and a Dependent.

Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance: 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 60 days after you become eligible;
- iv. The later of the date you apply or the date of the Family Status Change, if you apply within 30 days of a Family Status Change; and
- v. The beginning of the next plan year following the date you apply, if you apply during an Annual Enrollment Period.

Late Application: Evidence Of Insurability is required for each Dependent if you apply more than 60 days after you become eligible.

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

d. Takeover Provision

Each Spouse who was eligible under the Prior Plan for more than 60 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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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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CONTINUITY OF COVERAGE

A. Waiver Of Active Work Requirement

If you were insured under the Prior Plan on the day before the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy, you can become insured on the effective date of your Employer's coverage without meeting the Active Work requirement. See **Active Work Provisions**.

B. Payment Of Benefit

The benefits payable before you meet the Active Work requirement will be:

1. The benefits which would have been payable under the terms of the Prior Plan if it had remained in force; reduced by
2. Any benefits payable under the Prior Plan.

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PORTABILITY OF INSURANCE

A. Portability Of Insurance

If your insurance under the Group Policy ends because your employment with your Employer terminates, you may be eligible to buy portable group insurance coverage as shown in the **Coverage Features** for yourself and your Dependents without submitting Evidence Of Insurability. To be eligible you must satisfy the following requirements:

1. On the date your employment terminates, you must be able to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of at least one gainful occupation for which you are reasonably fitted by education, training and experience.

(If you are unable to meet this requirement, see the **Right To Convert** and **Waiver Of Premium** provisions for other options that may be available to you under the Group Policy.)

2. On the date your employment terminates, you are under age 80.

3. On the date your employment terminates, you must have been continuously insured under the Group Policy for at least 12 consecutive months. In computing the 12 consecutive month period, we will include time insured under the Prior Plan.
4. You must apply in writing and pay the first premium directly to us at our Home Office within 60 days after the date your employment terminates. You must purchase portable group life insurance coverage for yourself in order to purchase any other insurance eligible for portability.

This portable group insurance will be provided under a master Group Life Portability Insurance Policy we have issued to the Standard Insurance Company Group Insurance Trust. If approved, the certificate you will receive will be governed under the terms of the Group Life Portability Insurance Policy and will contain provisions that differ from your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy.

B. Amount Of Portable Insurance

The minimum and maximum amounts that you are eligible to buy under the Group Life Portability Insurance Policy are shown in the **Coverage Features**. You may buy less than the maximum amounts in increments of \$1,000.

The combined amounts of insurance purchased under this **Portability Of Insurance** provision and the **Right To Convert** provision cannot exceed the amount in effect under the Group Policy on the day before your employment terminates.

C. When Portable Insurance Becomes Effective

Portable group insurance will become effective the day after your employment with your Employer terminates, if you apply within 60 days after the date your employment terminates.

If death occurs within 60 days after the date insurance ends under the Group Policy, life insurance benefits, if any, will be paid according to the terms of the Group Policy in effect on the date your employment terminates and not the terms of the Group Life Portability Insurance Policy.

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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

Waiver Of Premium is provided to Class 3 Members only.

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; and
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.

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ACCELERATED BENEFIT

A. Accelerated Benefit

If you 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 12 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 Qualifying 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 under the Group Policy.

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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.

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 60-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, the maximum amount you have a Right To Convert is the amount of your Insurance which ended, minus any other group life insurance for which you become eligible during the Conversion Period.

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.

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.

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. A description of any additional information needed to support the claim.
4. Information concerning the claimant's right to a review of our decision.

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. Information concerning the claimant's right to receive, free of charge, copies of non-privileged documents and records relevant to the claim.

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ASSIGNMENT

If the amount of your Life Insurance is less than \$25,000, you may not make an assignment.

If the amount of your Life Insurance is \$25,000 or more, you may make an absolute assignment of all your Life and AD&D Insurance, subject to 1 through 8 below.

1. All insurance under the Group Policy, including AD&D Insurance, is assignable. Dependents Life Insurance is not assignable.
2. You may not make a collateral assignment.
3. The assignment must be absolute and irrevocable. It must transfer all rights, including:
 - a. The right to change the Beneficiary;

- b. The right to buy an individual life insurance policy on your life under **Right To Convert**; and
 - c. The right to receive accidental dismemberment benefits.
 - d. The right to apply for and receive an Accelerated Benefit.
- 4. The assignment will apply to all of your Life and AD&D Insurance in effect on the date of the assignment or becoming effective after that date.
 - 5. The assignment may be to any person permitted by law.
 - 6. The assignment will have no effect unless it is: made in writing, signed by you, and delivered to the Policyholder or Employer in your lifetime. Neither we, the Policyholder, nor the Employer are responsible for the validity, sufficiency or effect of the assignment.
 - 7. All accidental dismemberment benefits will be paid to the assignee. All death benefits will be paid according to the beneficiary designation on file with the Policyholder or Employer, and the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions**.
 - 8. The assignment will not change the Beneficiary, unless the assignee later changes the Beneficiary. Any payment we make according to the beneficiary designation on file with the Policyholder or Employer, and the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions** will fully discharge us to the extent of the payment.

You may not make an assignment which is contrary to the rules in 1 through 8 above.

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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 will be paid to the Beneficiary you name. See B through E of this section.
- 2. AD&D Insurance benefits payable for Losses other than Loss of Life 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 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 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 Plan 1 (basic) and Plan 2 (additional) Life Insurance.

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;
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. Shift differential pay.
3. Amounts contributed to your fringe benefits according to a salary reduction agreement under an IRC Section 125 plan.
4. Bonuses as defined by the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System.

Annual Earnings does not include:

1. Commissions.

2. Overtime pay.
3. Stock options or stock bonuses.
4. Your Employer's contributions on your behalf to any deferred compensation arrangement or pension plan.
5. Any other extra compensation.

Child means:

1. Your child from live birth through the last day of the calendar month next following the date on which your child reaches age 26; or
2. Your Disabled child. Your child is Disabled if your child 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 impairment or physical handicap.

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

- i. Your adopted child;
- ii. A child placed with you for adoption;
- iii. A child over whom you are a legal guardian; or
- iv. The child of your unmarried, dependent child provided that your child is under age 19 (under age 26 if a registered student in full time attendance at an accredited educational institution); or
- iv. Your stepchild, the child of your Spouse or Domestic Partner, or your foster child.

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.

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

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. Domestic Partner means an individual with whom you have completed and submitted an affidavit of declaration of domestic partnership and the affidavit has been accepted by the City of Los Angeles Personnel Department; or an individual recognized as your domestic partner under California state law (or proof of a similar legal union validly formed in another state).

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.

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.

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