



American United Life Insurance Company®  
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Conroe Independent School District  
(Hereinafter called the Group Policyholder)

Group Policy Number: 00609027-0000-000

Class: 001

Change Effective Date: Does Not Apply

This certificate replaces any and all certificates previously issued to You under the Group Policy indicated above.

American United Life Insurance Company® (AUL) certifies that the Employee whose enrollment form is on file with the Group Policyholder as being eligible for insurance and for whom the required premium has been paid is insured under the above numbered Group Policy for group insurance benefits as designated in the Schedule of Benefits. Benefits are subject to change as described on the Schedule of Benefits page.

This certificate describes the coverage provided in the Group Policy. The Group Policy determines all rights and benefits in this certificate and may be amended, cancelled or discontinued at any time by agreement between AUL and the Group Policyholder without notice to You. The Group Policy may be examined at the main office of the Group Policyholder during the regular office hours.

Thomas M. Zurek  
Secretary

Dayton H. Molendorp  
President and Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE  
GROUP TERM LIFE INSURANCE  
WITH AN ACCELERATED LIFE BENEFIT**

**Death benefits will be reduced if an Accelerated Life Benefit is paid. TAX TREATMENT:** The Accelerated Life Benefit offered under this certificate is intended to qualify for favorable tax treatment under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. If the Accelerated Life Benefit qualifies for such favorable tax treatment, the benefit will be excludable from Your income and not subject to federal taxation. Tax laws relating to Accelerated Life Benefits are complex. You are advised to consult with a qualified tax advisor about circumstances under which You could receive an Accelerated Life Benefit excludable under federal law. **ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:** Receipt of an Accelerated Life Benefit may affect Your, Your Dependent spouse's, or Your family's eligibility for public assistance programs such as medical assistance (Medicaid). Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), supplementary social security income (SSI), and drug assistance programs. You are advised to consult with a qualified tax advisor and with social service agencies concerning how receipt of such a payment will affect Your, Your Dependent spouse's, and Your family's eligibility for public assistance.

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(Class 001)  
(Basic)  
(Dependent Coverage: Not Included)  
(ALB)

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

To obtain information or make a complaint:

You may call AUL's toll-free telephone number for information or to make a complaint at

**1-800-553-5318**

You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies coverages, rights, or complaints at:

**1-800-252-3439**

You may write the Texas Department of Insurance  
P.O. Box 149104  
Austin, TX 78714-9104  
FAX # (512) 475-1771  
Web: <http://www.tdi.state.tx.us>  
E-mail: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us)

### **PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:**

Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim you should contact AUL first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Department of Insurance.

### **ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY:**

This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

## AVISO IMPORTANTE

Para obtener informacion o para someter una queja:

Usted puede llamar al numero de telefono gratis de AUL's para informacion o para someter una queja al

**1-800-553-5318**

Puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener informacion acerca de companias, coberturas, derechos o quejas al

**1-800-252-3439**

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### **DISPUTAS SOBRE PRIMAS O RECLAMOS:**

Si tiene una disputa concerniente a su prima o a un reclamo, debe comunicarse con el AUL primero, Si no Settlor resuelve la disputa, puede entonces comunicarse con el departamento Texas (TDI).

### **UNA ESTE AVISO A SU POLIZA:**

Este aviso es solo para proposito de informacion y no Settlor convierte en parte o condicion del documento adjunto.

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**SECTION 1 - SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS  
BASIC INSURANCE**

This benefit applies to You only if premiums are paid and if:

- 1) the benefit was agreed to on the application by the Policyholder and AUL;
- 2) You elected the benefit on an enrollment form approved by AUL; or
- 3) the benefit was included in the information reported, in a format acceptable to AUL, by You or the Policyholder and agreed to by AUL.

CLASS 001

**CLASSIFICATION:**

All Eligible Full-Time Employees

**LIFE AMOUNT:**

\$10,000

**AD&D PRINCIPAL SUM:**

\$15,000

**ACCELERATED LIFE BENEFIT (ALB):** You may request payment of 25%, 50% or 75% of the Life Amount shown above. This benefit is available on a Life Amount of \$10,000 or more. The maximum payment is limited to 25%, 50% or 75% of the Life Amount shown above or \$7,500, whichever is less. See Section 13.

**ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFIT:** This benefit is included in this certificate. See Section 12.

**ADDITIONAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH BENEFITS:**

**REPATRIATION BENEFIT:** This benefit is included in this certificate. See Section 12C.

**CHILD HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSE BENEFIT:** This benefit is included in this certificate. See Section 12D.

**CHILD CARE BENEFIT:** This benefit is included in this certificate. See Section 12E.

**ANNUAL BASE SALARY:** Annual Base Salary with no Commissions or Bonuses. Annual Base excludes overtime.

**CHANGES IN INSURANCE COVERAGE:** Anniversary. See Section 6.

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** Employee premium contributions are required. See Section 4.

**ELIGIBILITY:** First of the Month. See Section 3.

**FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE REQUIREMENT:** 30 hours or more per week. See Section 2, Definitions - Employee, and Section 3, Eligibility.

**SECTION 1 - SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS  
BASIC INSURANCE**

CLASS 001

**GUARANTEED ISSUE AMOUNT:** \$10,000. Any amount of coverage for which You request greater than the Guaranteed Issue Amount will only be available following written approval by AUL. Approval will be based on Evidence of Insurability and information satisfactory to AUL. If coverage for amounts greater than the Guaranteed Issue Amount is approved, coverage will begin on the date identified in writing by AUL. See Section 4, Individual Effective Date.

**INDIVIDUAL EFFECTIVE DATE:** First of the Month. See Section 4.

**INDIVIDUAL REINSTATEMENTS:** First of the Month. See Section 11.

**INDIVIDUAL TERMINATIONS:** End of the Month. See Section 9.

**REDUCTIONS:** The Life Amount and AD&D Principal Sum will begin reducing to percentages shown below when the Employee reaches age 65. The percentage of coverage remaining once the Employee attains various ages will be as follows:

<u>EMPLOYEE'S AGE</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE OF LIFE AMOUNT REMAINING</u>
65 - 69	65%
70 - 74	45%
75 - 79	30%
80 - 84	20%
85 - 89	15%
90 +	10%

Reductions will be based upon the Life Amount prior to the payment of any Accelerated Life Benefit.

**TERMINATIONS:** Terminations are governed by the Individual Terminations Section. See Section 9.

**TOTAL DISABILITY:** The definition for Total Disability and Totally Disabled included in this certificate is the standard any occupation definition. See Section 2.

**WAITING PERIOD** for Present Employees hired before the policy effective date: First of the Month following 0 days. See Eligibility Section 3.

**WAITING PERIOD** for New Employees hired on or after the policy effective date: First of the Month following 0 days. See Eligibility Section 3.

**WAIVER OF PREMIUM FOR TOTAL DISABILITY:** This benefit is included in this certificate. Reductions are applicable to this benefit. See Section 8.

## SECTION 2 – DEFINITIONS

**ACCIDENTAL BODILY INJURY** means an injury occurring, either directly or indirectly, as a result of an accident along with all other related conditions, sustained by You while insured under the policy.

**ACTIVE WORK** and **ACTIVELY AT WORK** mean the use of time, services, and energy by You for the Group Policyholder at the Group Policyholder's regular place of business, an alternate location approved by the Group Policyholder, or an alternate location to which the Group Policyholder requires You to travel. You must be physically and mentally capable of performing each of the material and substantial duties of Your regular position with the Group Policyholder for at least the minimum number of hours listed in the Eligibility Section of the policy. Active Work will include time off for vacation, jury duty, paid holidays, and funeral leave approved by the Group Policyholder when You could have been Actively at Work. Active Work does not include periods of time when You are not Actively at Work following an injury, Accidental Bodily Injury, Sickness, strike, lock-out, layoff, after Your employment has ended voluntarily or involuntarily, or periods of time during which You are entitled or are receiving accrued employment related benefits including but not limited to vacation time.

**Annual Base Salary with no commission or bonuses**

**ANNUAL BASE SALARY** means Your yearly gross wages received from the Group Policyholder based on a maximum forty (40) hour workweek. Annual Base Salary is based on the amount last reported in writing to AUL by the Group Policyholder and approved for coverage under this Policy by AUL before the date of death or the events shown in the AD&D provisions if AD&D coverage is included. Annual Base Salary does not include amounts received from commissions, bonuses, overtime or reimbursement for expenses.

**BASIC LIVING EXPENSES** include the cost of food, shelter, clothing and any other basic living expenses of the average American household. Each household member need not contribute equally or jointly to the payment of these expenses as long as each agrees both are responsible for the basic living expenses.

**BI-WEEKLY** means every two weeks or 26 times a year.

**CHILD** means any minor related by blood, marriage or court order that can be claimed as a dependent for federal income tax purposes, and may include:

- 1) any of Your natural born child(ren);
- 2) any of Your legally adopted child(ren) from the time of placement in Your home with the intent to adopt;
- 3) any stepchild(ren) who live with You;
- 4) any child(ren) for whom You have legal guardianship; or
- 5) any child(ren) for whom coverage must be provided in accordance with state law or court order.

**CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE** means insurance for which You pay part or all of the premium.

## SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS

### Continued

COVERAGE MONTH means that period of time beginning on the first day that the Group Policyholder's coverage is in force and ending on the day before that date of the next month.

DATE OF DISABILITY means the first day You are not Actively at Work due to an Accidental Bodily Injury or Sickness and results in Total Disability.

DEPENDENT means:

- 1) Your legal spouse under age 70;
- 2) an Employee's Domestic Partner under age 70 whose relationship with the Employee is recognized by and allowed under applicable state law provided both the Domestic Partner and the Employee:
  - a) share the same regular and permanent residence;
  - b) have a close personal relationship status other than marriage that is intended as an alternative to marriage;
  - c) have agreed to be jointly responsible for Basic Living Expenses, incurred during the domestic partnership;
  - d) are not married to anyone;
  - e) are 18 years of age and older;
  - f) are not so closely related by blood to be prohibited under applicable state laws;
  - g) were mentally competent to consent to a contract when the domestic partnership began;
  - h) are each other's sole domestic partner; and
  - i) are responsible for each other's welfare;
- 3) an Employee's unmarried Child from live birth and under the age of 25, if the Child:
  - a) is not eligible under the policy for Personal Insurance;
  - b) is not in the military of any country; and
  - c) is dependent upon You for principal support and is claimed as a dependent on Your federal income tax return;
- 4) Your unmarried Child who is disabled and incapable of self-sustaining employment as a result of mental or physical disability. The Child must have been disabled prior to age 25. If the Child is at least age 25 on Your effective date, coverage is subject to AUL's receiving written proof of the disability on that date including but not limited to receipt of Social Security Administration disability benefits. If the Child is not at least age 25, extension of coverage is subject to AUL's receiving written proof of the disability not later than 120 days after the Child attains age 25. Proof of continued disability shall be required not more than once each year thereafter; and
- 5) any natural or adopted unmarried grandchild of You if the child is under age 25 and is Your dependent for federal income tax purposes at the time the application for coverage of the child is made; if the child:
  - a) is not eligible under this policy for Personal Insurance, and
  - b) is not in the armed forces of any country

If Dependent Insurance is not included in the policy, then references to Dependents and Dependent Insurance are null and void.

DEPENDENT INSURANCE means the insurance provided under the policy covering Your Dependents, Section 20, if included in the policy.

ELIMINATION PERIOD see Waiver of Premium, Section 8, if included in the policy.

## SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS

### Continued

EMPLOYEE means any individual who is a full-time, permanent Employee (including owner, member, partner, or shareholder) of the Group Policyholder:

- 1) who is legally authorized to work and reside in the United States under applicable state and federal laws; and
- 2) whose employment with the Group Policyholder constitutes his principal occupation; and
- 3) who regularly works at that occupation at the Group Policyholder's regular place of business a minimum of 30 hours or more per week; and
- 4) who is not temporarily or seasonally employed by the Group Policyholder; and
- 5) who is an employee, participant, person, or any member of any employee organization, who is or may become eligible to receive a benefit of any type from the Policyholder's employee welfare benefit plan; and
- 6) who is not an independent contractor.

EMPLOYER see GROUP POLICYHOLDER. Any references to Employer used in the policy shall include Insured Units.

EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY means a signed statement of proof acceptable to AUL of an Employee's or Dependent's medical history, and, if requested by AUL, medical records, tests, and/or examinations. Satisfactory Evidence of Insurability must include information and documentation which can be used by AUL to determine if the individual is an acceptable underwriting risk and can be approved for coverage under AUL's guidelines.

GRANDFATHERED RETIREE, see Eligibility, Section 3A, if included in the policy.

GUARANTEED ISSUE AMOUNT means the amount of coverage that does not require Evidence of Insurability. This amount is selected by the Group Policyholder on the Application and later approved in writing by AUL.

GROUP POLICYHOLDER means the entity which applied for and was approved by AUL for coverage. Any references to Group Policyholder used in the policy shall include Insured Units. The Group Policyholder must have at least two (2) Employees insured on the date the policy is issued.

MENTAL ILLNESS means a psychiatric or psychological condition classified in the most recent version of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Health Disorders (DSM), published by the American Psychiatric Association as of the date of Total Disability and has been diagnosed by a Physician. Such disorders include, but are not limited to, psychotic, emotional, behavioral disorders, or disorders related to stress or to substance abuse or dependency. If the DSM is discontinued or replaced, Mental Illness will be determined based on the diagnostic manual then published by the American Psychiatric Association on the date of Total Disability.

NON-CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE means insurance for which You pay no portion of the premium. When the Group Policyholder pays 100% of the premium, all eligible employees must be covered except any employees as to whom Evidence of Insurability is not satisfactory to AUL.

PERMANENT AND TOTAL DISABILITY/PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED means Your inability as determined by a Physician to engage, due to Accidental Bodily Injury or Sickness in any occupation for which You are fitted by training, education or experience. Permanent and Total Disability/Permanently and Totally Disabled must occur after You become insured under the Policy and it must be conclusively determined the Permanent And Total Disability will continue for Your lifetime.



## **SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS**

### **Continued**

**PERSONAL INSURANCE** means the insurance provided under the policy for You.

**PHYSICIAN** means a qualified, licensed doctor of medicine or osteopathy, and any other licensed health care provider that state law requires to be licensed prior to engaging in the practice of medicine and who is, practicing within the scope of his specialty, license, and applicable law. Physician does not include any medical provider affiliated with the Group Policyholder, or anyone related by blood, marriage, or domestic partnership to an Employee.

**REGULAR ATTENDANCE** means that You or Your Dependent:

- 1) are receiving periodic medical treatment and services from a Physician when medically required and according to standard medical protocol to effectively manage and treat Your or Your Dependent's Disability;
- 2) are receiving the most appropriate treatment and care that will maximize Your medical improvement and aid in Your return to work; and
- 3) are receiving medical care and services from a Physician whose specialty or practice is related to the Disability.

**RETIREE** means an individual who, on his last day of Active Work prior to retirement, was an Actively at Work Employee and who is receiving benefits under the Group Policyholder's retirement plan. Retiree does not include an Employee who is receiving benefits under his retirement plan solely due to being Totally Disabled and who otherwise does not meet the Group Policyholder's retirement plan's criteria for receipt of benefits.

**SICKNESS** means illness, bodily disorder or disease, Mental Illness, normal pregnancy and complications of pregnancy. Complication of Pregnancy is defined as concurrent disease or abnormal conditions significantly affecting the usual medical management of pregnancy.

**TEMPORARY LAY-OFF** means a period of time during which You are not Actively at Work due to lack of work and are not terminated from employment with the Group Policyholder.

**TOTAL DISABILITY AND TOTALLY DISABLED** mean that because of Accidental Bodily Injury or Sickness You cannot engage in any occupation for which You are reasonably fitted by training, education, or experience. If You accept any type of employment, other than in a state-approved rehabilitation program or sheltered workshop, You will be considered fitted to that occupation.

**WE, OUR, US, and AUL** mean American United Life Insurance Company.<sup>®</sup>

**YOU and YOUR** means an Employee who meets the requirements of the Eligibility and Individual Effective Date Sections.

## SECTION 3 - ELIGIBILITY

### DEFINITIONS

NEW EMPLOYEE means an Employee who is employed by the Group Policyholder on or after the Group Policyholder's Effective Date.

PRESENT EMPLOYEE means an Employee who is employed by the Group Policyholder before the Group Policyholder's Effective Date.

WAITING PERIOD means the period of days beginning on the Employee's hire date that an Employee must be continuously Actively at Work prior to becoming eligible for Personal Insurance. Present Employees will be given credit for time insured under the Group Policyholder's prior group life insurance contract if the policy replaces the same coverage available under the prior group life insurance contract. The Waiting Period is stated in the Schedule of Benefits.

On the effective date of the policy, an Employee becomes eligible for Personal Insurance if:

- 1) the Employee has fulfilled the Waiting Period, if any, and is Actively at Work; or
- 2) the Employee has fulfilled the Waiting Period, if any, and is not Actively at Work due to being on an Employer-approved leave of absence other than for injury or Sickness; or
- 3) the Employee has fulfilled the Waiting Period, if any, and is not Actively at Work due to being on Temporary Lay-off.

After the effective date of the policy and while the policy is in force, an Actively at Work Employee becomes eligible for Personal Insurance on:

- 1) the date the Employee fulfills the Waiting Period, if any, if that date is the first day of the Coverage Month; or
- 2) the first day of the Coverage Month next following the date the Employee fulfills the Waiting Period, if any, if that date is not the first day of the Coverage Month.

TO REMAIN ELIGIBLE FOR PERSONAL INSURANCE AND DEPENDENT INSURANCE, IF ANY, EMPLOYEES MUST CONTINUOUSLY MEET THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS.

*Refer to Your Basic Schedule of Benefits to determine to which coverage this page applies. When applicable, the Schedule of Benefits will indicate employee premium CONTRIBUTIONS are not required and INDIVIDUAL EFFECTIVE DATE is First of the Month.*

#### **SECTION 4 - INDIVIDUAL EFFECTIVE DATE CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE**

The eligible Employee, prior to receiving coverage under the policy, must make written election to AUL on a form approved by AUL and must make timely contributions of the required amount of premium to AUL. The effective date of insurance for an eligible Employee, subject to the further provisions of this Section, is the first day of the Coverage Month following:

- 1) the date the Employee becomes eligible for coverage if the election is made on or before the first date of the Coverage Month and the amount requested does not exceed the Guaranteed Issue Amount;
- 2) the date of the election if the election is made within 31 days after the date the Employee becomes eligible and the coverage amount requested does not exceed the Guaranteed Issue Amount; or
- 3) the date determined by AUL when Evidence of Insurability is required. Satisfactory Evidence of Insurability must be provided if:
  - a) election is made more than 31 days after the date the Employee becomes eligible for coverage;
  - b) the amount requested exceeds the Guaranteed Issue Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits; or
  - c) election is made after a termination of insurance due to failure to make contributions.

Any eligible Employee who converted his insurance under the policy to an individual life insurance policy and if that individual life insurance policy is still in force, the employee is required prior to becoming insured again under the policy to undergo medical underwriting and submit satisfactory Evidence of Insurability. If the Employee does not wish to undergo medical underwriting and submit satisfactory Evidence of Insurability, the Life Amount under the policy will be reduced by the amount of coverage under the individual life insurance policy. No coverage shall begin until the date AUL has approved the request for coverage in writing and the required amount of premium is received from the Employer.

If an Employee is not Actively at Work on the date coverage would otherwise become effective, the effective date will be:

- 1) the first day of the Coverage Month, if the Eligible Employee returns to Active Work on the first day of the Coverage Month; or
- 2) the first day of the Coverage Month following the date the eligible Employee returns to Active Work, if Active Work begins after the first day of the Coverage Month.

Contributions for Basic insurance are required from Employees for Personal Insurance.

Also see Continuity of Coverage, Section 5, if included in the policy.

## SECTION 5 - CONTINUITY OF COVERAGE

This Section applies when coverage under the policy replaces prior group term life insurance issued to the Group Policyholder and the coverage under that policy terminated on the day before the effective date of AUL's policy.

Coverage will be extended under this Section to an Employee who:

- 1) was insured under the prior carrier's group term life insurance on its termination date; but
- 2) was not eligible for coverage on the effective date of the policy because:
  - a) in the case of an Employee, he was not Actively at Work.

Coverage may be extended if such Employee:

- 1) applies to AUL for coverage on or before the effective date of the policy;
- 2) pays the required amount of premium; and
- 3) is not eligible to continue coverage under the prior carrier's group term life insurance.

The amount of coverage extended will be the lesser of:

- 1) the coverage for which the Employee would have been eligible to receive under the policy; or
- 2) the coverage the Employee received under the prior carrier's group term life insurance policy minus the amount payable under that group term life policy.

The coverage under this Section will terminate on the earliest of the following dates:

- 1) the date for which any required premium was not received by AUL;
- 2) the date the Personal Insurance becomes effective under the policy;
- 3) the date the coverage would have terminated under the Individual Termination Section of the policy if the Personal Insurance had become effective; or
- 4) the date the Employee becomes eligible for coverage under the prior carrier's group term life insurance policy.

This coverage only includes the Life Amount.

## SECTION 6 - CHANGES IN INSURANCE COVERAGE

The amount of coverage for which You are eligible is shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

A change in coverage that does not increase the amount of coverage becomes effective the earlier of:

- 1) the date of any scheduled reduction;
- 2) the policy anniversary date following AUL's written approval of the change, if the date of AUL's approval is the policy anniversary date; or
- 3) the policy anniversary date next following AUL's written approval of the change, if the date of AUL's approval is after the policy anniversary date.

Prior to a change in coverage that increases the amount of coverage, You must be Actively at Work and the required amount of premium must be paid.

A change increasing the amount of coverage equal to or less than Your Guaranteed Issue Amount takes effect on:

- 1) the policy anniversary date, if the date You become eligible for insurance is the policy anniversary date; or
- 2) the policy anniversary date next following the date You become eligible for the change in coverage, if You become eligible for the change after the policy anniversary date.

A change in coverage increasing the amount of coverage above Your Guaranteed Issue Amount is subject to:

- 1) satisfactory Evidence of Insurability; and
- 2) upon AUL's written approval, takes effect on:
  - a) the policy anniversary date following AUL's written approval of a request for change, if the date of AUL's approval is the policy anniversary date; or
  - b) the policy anniversary date next following AUL's written approval of a request for change, if the date of AUL's approval is after the policy anniversary date.

If You are not Actively at Work on the policy anniversary that is the approved change date, any increase in the amount of coverage takes effect on the first day of the Coverage Month following Your return to Active Work.

## SECTION 7 - CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE

### CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE

While the policy is in force and if You have ceased Active Work due to:

- 1) Sickness or injury, Personal Insurance may be continued until 9 months following cessation of Active Work;
- 2) Temporary Lay-off, Personal Insurance may be continued until the 90th day following cessation of Active Work;
- 3) an Employer-approved leave of absence, Personal Insurance may be continued until the 90th day following cessation of Active Work; or
- 4) an Employer-approved leave of absence allowed under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or state law. Personal Insurance may then be continued until the end of the period allowed under FMLA or state law, whichever is longer.

In all the above Continuation of Insurance situations, Personal Insurance will terminate on the earliest of the following:

- 1) the date You return to Active Work;
- 2) the date the required premium payments are not received by AUL;
- 3) the date You die;
- 4) the date You begin full or part-time employment;
- 5) the date the policy, or the Group Policyholder's coverage under the policy, terminates;
- 6) the date You notify the Group Policyholder that You will not be returning to Active Work;
- 7) the date Your class is no longer offered under the policy;
- 8) the date You are no longer a member in an eligible class;
- 9) the date You make written request for termination of coverage but not prior to the date of the request; or
- 10) the date You enter military service for any country, except for temporary duty not scheduled for more than 30 days.

If the Group Policyholder has approved more than one type of leave of absence during any one period, AUL will consider such leaves to be concurrent for the purpose of determining how long Your coverage may continue under the policy.

If You do not return to Active Work, Personal Insurance terminates at the end of Continuation of Insurance period. At the end of Continuation of Insurance period, You may apply, if eligible, for Waiver of Premium for Total Disability, see Section 8, if available; or may be eligible to apply to convert the Life Amount to an individual life insurance policy pursuant to Section 10.

## SECTION 8 - WAIVER OF PREMIUM FOR TOTAL DISABILITY

This Section applies to Basic Life Insurance.

### DEFINITIONS

**ELIMINATION PERIOD** means a 9 month period of consecutive days of Total Disability. The Elimination Period begins on the 1st day of Total Disability and ends on the last day of the 9month period. You may not have more than three (3) days of Active Work during the Elimination Period.

### WAIVER OF PREMIUM BENEFIT FOR TOTAL DISABILITY

AUL will waive further premium payments for Your Life Amount if You:

- 1) become Totally Disabled before age 60 and while insured under the policy;
- 2) remain continuously Totally Disabled during the 9 month Elimination Period;
- 3) submit and AUL receives proof of Total Disability within the three (3) months prior to the end of the Elimination Period;
- 4) submit and AUL receives acceptable proof of continuous Total Disability at least annually and as requested by AUL; but not more often than once every three (3) months; and
- 5) are under the Regular Attendance of a Physician.

**Claim Forms for Proof of Loss:** Upon receipt of the initial notice of Total Disability, AUL will furnish the Group Policyholder with any necessary claim forms to be given to You. These forms must be properly, accurately and truthfully completed and returned to AUL. If, for any reason, You do not receive a claim form within 15 days of request, You should submit written proof of Total Disability. The initial claim form or proof of Total Disability must show:

- 1) claimant's name;
- 2) Your name and address;
- 3) Group number;
- 4) the date Total Disability started;
- 5) the cause of Total Disability; and
- 6) the nature and extent of the Total Disability.

The initial claim form or proof of Total Disability must be signed by a Physician and sent to AUL within 90 calendar days following the Elimination Period. If it is not possible to give proof within these limits, it must be given as soon as reasonably possible. Proof of claim may not be given later than one year after the time proof is otherwise required.

AUL also may require that You be examined:

- 1) at AUL's expense;
- 2) by a Physician of AUL's choice.

The required amount of premium must continue to be received by AUL until AUL approves the request for Waiver of Premium Benefit for Total Disability and the Elimination Period has been fulfilled.

## **SECTION 8 - WAIVER OF PREMIUM FOR TOTAL DISABILITY**

### **Continued**

While You meet the conditions set forth above and are approved by AUL for the benefit, You will retain coverage without the need to make further premium payments until the first of the following occurs:

- 1) proof of Total Disability is not received by AUL;
- 2) You become employed, or are found able to be employed in an occupation for which You are reasonably fitted by training, education or experience;
- 3) You refuse to undergo a medical examination requested by AUL;
- 4) the date You are not under the Regular Attendance of a Physician;
- 5) proof of continuous Total Disability is not submitted within the twelfth month of any benefit period unless it was not possible to do so;
- 6) You attain age 65; or
- 7) Your class terminates; or
- 8) You are no longer Totally Disabled.

When You are approved for benefits under this Waiver of Premium Benefit for Total Disability, the coverage in force under the policy will be the Life Amount and:

- 1) will not include any Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage You may have had; and
- 2) will reduce if:
  - a) the coverage for Your class is reduced; or
  - b) the Schedule of Benefits includes an automatic reduction for all Employees in Your class at a certain age.



## **SECTION 8 - WAIVER OF PREMIUM FOR TOTAL DISABILITY**

### **Continued**

Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance premiums must be paid to and received by AUL during the Waiver of Premium Benefit for Total Disability Elimination Period. If the benefit request is approved, any unearned premium beyond the Elimination Period will be refunded.

If You are not approved for this benefit, You may apply to convert Your Life Amount to an individual life insurance policy pursuant to Section 10, Conversion Privilege within 31 days from notice of the adverse benefit determination. If You did not pay premiums during the Elimination Period, You are not eligible to convert Your coverage to an individual life insurance policy upon notice of an adverse benefit determination.

If You die during the Elimination Period and the required amount of premiums were not received by AUL, no benefit will be due under the policy.

If coverage under the Waiver of Premium Benefit for Total Disability terminates, You are entitled to apply to convert Your Life Amount to an individual life insurance policy within 31 days of cessation of such coverage pursuant to Section 10, Conversion Privilege.

If coverage under the Waiver of Premium Benefit for Total Disability terminates because You return to Active Work with the Group Policyholder and the policy is still in force, You are eligible to apply for all coverages available to Your class.

If benefits are payable under the policy after You are approved for Waiver of Premium and You have applied and been issued an individual life insurance policy under Section 10, Conversion Privilege, any amount payable under the policy will be reduced by the amount payable under the individual life insurance policy. **IN NO EVENT WILL A BENEFIT BE PAYABLE UNDER BOTH THE INDIVIDUAL LIFE INSURANCE POLICY AND THE POLICY GREATER THAN THE LIFE AMOUNT, NOR WILL ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFITS, IF ANY, BE PAYABLE BEYOND THE WAIVER OF PREMIUM BENEFIT FOR TOTAL DISABILITY ELIMINATION PERIOD.**

## SECTION 9 - INDIVIDUAL TERMINATIONS

Personal Insurance terminates on the earliest of the following dates:

- 1) the date the policy is terminated;
- 2) the last day of the Coverage Month in which You request termination but not prior to the date of the request;
- 3) the last day of the Coverage Month for which any required premium payment was not received by AUL;
- 4) the last day of the Coverage Month during which You cease to be eligible, see Eligibility, Section 3 and Section 3A, if any;
- 5) the last day of the Coverage Month during which You become a Retiree, unless the Schedule of Benefits includes a specific classification for Retirees;
- 6) the last day of the Coverage Month during which You enter active military service for any country except for temporary duty of 30 days or less;
- 7) the last day of the Coverage Month during which You cease Active Work, except for an event listed in the policy in Continuation of Insurance, Section 7; or
- 8) the date of an adverse benefit determination under the Waiver of Premium provisions, if applicable.

Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage terminates when Personal Insurance terminates. Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage also terminates on the earliest of the following dates:

- 1) the date of an adverse or positive benefit determination under the Waiver of Premium Benefit provisions;
- 2) the last day of the Coverage Month during which You become a Retiree, unless the Schedule of Benefits includes a specific classification for Retirees that includes AD&D Principal Sum Amounts;
- 3) the date Your Life Amount reduces to zero; or
- 4) the end of the Elimination Period.

## SECTION 10 - CONVERSION PRIVILEGE

If any portion of the insurance of an insured Employee under the policy terminates because the Employee's employment or membership in the class or classes eligible for coverage under the policy terminates, You may apply for an individual life insurance conversion policy without evidence of insurability. The coverage amount of the individual life insurance conversion policy shall not exceed the amount of life insurance that ceases because of loss of eligibility for coverage under the policy minus the amount of any group life coverage for which You become eligible within 31 days of termination.

If Your coverage ceases due to termination of the policy or is amended as to terminate the insurance of a class of insured Employees, You may apply for and receive an individual life insurance conversion policy if Your group life insurance has been in force with AUL for five (5) continuous years before the termination date. The coverage amount of the individual life insurance conversion policy may not exceed the LESSER of:

- 1) the amount of life insurance that ceases because of termination minus the amount of any group life coverage for which You become eligible within 31 days of termination; or
- 2) \$2,000.

The conversion privilege is subject to the following:

- 1) Written application must be made and the first premium must be paid within 31 days after the date of termination of insurance.
- 2) An individual life insurance policy, other than term life insurance, offered by AUL at the time of conversion, may be selected.
- 3) The premium on the individual policy must be at AUL's then customary rate applicable to the form and amount of the individual policy, to the class of risk to which You or Your dependent then belong, and to the individual age attained by You or Your dependent on the effective date of the individual policy.
- 4) The individual life insurance conversion policy takes effect on the last day of the application period and is in lieu of all benefits under the Policy.

If notice of the existence of the conversion right is not given at least 15 days before the expiration of the period during which the conversion application and payment of the first premium must be made under the terms of the policy, You have an additional period within which to exercise the conversion right. The additional conversion application period created to exercise a right of conversion expires 15 days after You are given notice of the conversion right. However, irrespective of the date on which notice is given or of the absence of any notice, the additional conversion application period may not extend beyond 60 days after the expiration date of the period within which conversion application period and payment of the first premium were to be made under the terms of the policy. For purposes of this section, notice of the right of conversion may be given to You in writing, presented to You; mailed by the Group Policyholder to Your last known address; or mailed by the insurer to Your last known address as furnished by the Group Policyholder.

If death occurs during the conversion application period, AUL will pay the Life Amount available for conversion whether or not the application or the first premium payment has been made. After the 31-day period, no conversion application will be accepted unless it is proven that it was not possible for You to apply in a timely fashion. The individual life insurance conversion policy will not include Accidental Death benefits or any other benefits currently in force under the policy.

Premium must be paid to and received by AUL for coverage during the conversion application period.

**IF DEATH OCCURS DURING THE CONVERSION APPLICATION PERIOD, IN NO EVENT WILL BENEFITS BE PAYABLE UNDER BOTH THE INDIVIDUAL CONVERSION POLICY AND THE POLICY. ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFITS, IF ANY, ARE NOT PAYABLE BEYOND THE DATES OUTLINED IN SECTION 9, INDIVIDUAL TERMINATIONS.**

## **SECTION 11 - INDIVIDUAL REINSTATEMENTS**

If Personal Insurance and Dependent Insurance, if any, terminate due to termination of Your employment, You can apply to reinstate that coverage following return to Active Work. The following conditions apply:

- 1) When return to Active Work occurs within 30 days of the termination of coverage, coverage becomes effective on the first day of the next Coverage Month following the date of return to Active Work. Evidence of Insurability will not be required for any amount of coverage less than the Guaranteed Issue Amount.
- 2) When return to Active Work occurs after the period specified in paragraph 1 above, You will be considered a new employee and the requirements found in the Eligibility and Individual Effective Date Sections will apply.
- 3) When the Life Amount has been converted under the Conversion Privilege, Section 10, the Life Amount available for reinstatement under the policy will be reduced by the amount of coverage under the individual life insurance policy. In no event will the amount of coverage reinstated under this Section and the amount of coverage under the individual life insurance policy be greater than the Life Amount existing on Your termination of employment.
- 4) Prior to applying for reinstatement, AUL must have received the required amount of premium timely.
- 5) The maximum amount of coverage reinstated will not exceed the maximum amount of coverage which would have been available had Your coverage not terminated.

If reinstatement is requested for any reason other than returning to Active Work, medical underwriting and satisfactory Evidence of Insurability will be required prior to AUL's approval of coverage. The effective date of reinstatement will be the date determined by AUL in writing. Dependent Insurance cannot be reinstated without reinstatement of Personal Insurance.

## **SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**

This Section applies to Basic Accidental Death Insurance.

### **DEFINITIONS**

**ACCIDENTAL DEATH** means death due to an accident, directly and independently of all other causes.

**ADDITIONAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH BENEFITS** mean the Repatriation Benefit, the Child Higher Education Benefit and the Child Care Benefit. The total of the Additional Accidental Death Benefits payable will not exceed 100% of Your AD&D Principal Sum shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

**ACCIDENTAL DISMEMBERMENT** means loss of sight, speech or hearing or severance of a body member, Loss of Use of a limb of the body, or Severe Burn due to an accident, directly and independently of all other causes.

**AIR BAG** means an inflatable restraint device that is activated in an Automobile accident and

- 1) was installed by the Automobile manufacturer;
- 2) is not altered after the original installation by the Automobile manufacturer;
- 3) is functioning properly; and
- 4) complies with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Number 208 (49 C.F.R. Section 571.208) for the make, model and year of the Automobile.

**AUTOMOBILE** means a motor vehicle properly registered with local authorities and permitted under applicable laws for use on highways.

**CHILD** - see SECTION 2, DEFINITIONS.

**LOSS OF SIGHT** means total, permanent blindness.

**LOSS OF SPEECH** means total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of vocal communication.

**LOSS OF HEARING** means total, permanent deafness in both ears which cannot be restored by any means.

**LOSS OF HAND** means complete severance of the hand through or above the wrist.

**LOSS OF THUMB AND INDEX FINGER** means complete severance of both the thumb and index finger at or above the metacarpophalangeal joints on the same hand.

**LOSS OF FOOT** means complete severance of the foot through or above the ankle.

**LOSS OF USE OF UPPER AND LOWER LIMBS OF THE BODY** means a total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of voluntary movement of the upper and lower limbs of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

**LOSS OF USE OF BOTH LOWER LIMBS OF THE BODY** means a total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of voluntary movement of both lower limbs of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

**LOSS OF USE OF UPPER AND LOWER LIMBS ON ONE SIDE OF THE BODY** means a total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of voluntary movement of the upper and lower limbs on one side of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

## **SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**

### **Continued**

**LOSS OF USE OF ONE LIMB OF THE BODY** means a total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of voluntary movement of one limb of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

**HEMIPLEGIA** means the total, permanent and irrecoverable paralysis of the upper and lower limbs on the same side of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

**MONOPLÉGIA** means the total, permanent and irrecoverable paralysis of one limb of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

**PARAPLEGIA** means the total, permanent and irrecoverable paralysis of both lower limbs of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

**QUADRIPLEGIA** means the total, permanent and irrecoverable paralysis of both upper and lower limbs of the body which has continued for 12 continuous months.

**SEAT BELT** means a properly installed safety belt meeting the standards stated in the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Number 208 (49 C.F.R. Section 571.208) for the make, model, and year of the Automobile.

**SEVERE BURNS** means third-degree burns on at least fifty percent of the body.

## SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT

### Continued

#### ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFIT

If You have an accident while insured under the policy which results in a loss or condition shown below, AUL will pay the amount shown opposite the loss or condition if:

- 1) the loss or condition occurs within 365 days from the date of the accident; and
- 2) AUL receives acceptable proof of loss or condition.

FOR ACCIDENTAL LOSS OF	AMOUNT PAYABLE
Life	AD&D Principal Sum
Both Hands or Both Feet or Sight of Both Eyes	AD&D Principal Sum
Speech and Hearing	AD&D Principal Sum
One Hand and One Foot	AD&D Principal Sum
One Hand and Sight of One Eye	AD&D Principal Sum
One Foot and Sight of One Eye	AD&D Principal Sum
Sight of One Eye	One-half of the AD&D Principal Sum
One Hand or One Foot	One-half of the AD&D Principal Sum
Speech or Hearing	One-half of the AD&D Principal Sum
Thumb and Index Finger	One-quarter of the AD&D Principal Sum
FOR CONDITIONS OF	
Quadriplegia or Loss of Use of Upper and Lower Limbs of the Body	AD&D Principal Sum
Paraplegia or Loss of Use of Both Lower Limbs of the Body	One-half of the AD&D Principal Sum
Hemiplegia or Loss of Use of Upper and Lower Limbs on the Same Side of the Body	One-half of the AD&D Principal Sum
Monoplegia or Loss of Use of One Limb of the Body	One-quarter of the AD&D Principal Sum
Severe Burns	AD&D Principal Sum

The AD&D Principal Sum is shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

AUL will only pay a benefit for either paralysis or loss of a limb, but not a benefit for both

The total amount payable will never exceed the AD&D Principal Sum for all losses or conditions sustained by You. The amount payable for loss of life is paid according to Payment of Death Benefits, Section 15. Amounts payable for other losses are paid to You.

## SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT

### Continued

#### LIMITATIONS

Benefits are not payable for loss due directly or indirectly to:

- 1) suicide or attempted suicide, whether sane or insane;
- 2) air travel as a crew member;
- 3) participation in a riot or from war or an act of war in the performance of military service, whether declared or undeclared;
- 4) caused or contributed to by the insured's commission of or attempt to commit a criminal act under relevant state law;
- 5) the voluntary taking of:
  - a) a prescription drug in a manner other than as prescribed by a Physician;
  - b) any other federally- or state-regulated substance in an unlawful manner;
  - c) non-prescription medicine, in a manner other than as indicated in the printed instructions; or
  - d) poison;
- 6) the voluntary inhaling of gas (unless due to occupational accident);
- 7) Sickness other than infection occurring as a result of accidental injury;
- 8) voluntary use of alcohol resulting in intoxication above the legal limit;
- 9) voluntary use of a hallucinogen or substance causing intoxication;
- 10) operating a vehicle while intoxicated above the legal limit or while under the influence of hallucinogen or substance causing intoxication;
- 11) violation of traffic laws other than an infraction, racing, stunt-driving, or engaging in other similar activity during the accident; or
- 12) participation in hang-gliding, bungee jumping, skydiving, rock climbing or mountain climbing.

Notice and Proof of Injury/Accidental Death: AUL's Home Office must receive written notice of the injury/Accidental Death on which the claim is based within 31 days of the date of the accident. AUL's Home Office must receive acceptable proof of loss within 90 days after the date of the loss. Acceptable proof of loss must be furnished as follows:

- 1) A certified death certificate;
- 2) A complete and accurate AUL death claim form and if available, a copy of the police, autopsy, and medical reports related to the death;
- 3) A statement by the Group Policyholder certifying the amount of coverage existing on the date of loss; and
- 4) At AUL's option, other documents or information as needed to investigate the loss and determine whether or not benefits are payable under the policy.

The employer has been provided with claim forms for filing notice of injury, however, within fifteen (15) days of request AUL will provide claim forms to You. If, for any reason, these forms are not furnished within fifteen (15) days, You should submit a written statement covering the occurrence, the character and the extent of the loss for which the claim is made.

AUL has the right to examine You:

- 1) as often as necessary;
- 2) at AUL's expense; and
- 3) by a medical professional of AUL's choice.



## **SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**

### **Continued**

#### **TERMINATION OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH and DISMEMBERMENT BENEFIT**

Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage for You will terminate as outlined in Section 9, Individual Terminations.

The Group Policyholder may terminate the insurance under this Section at the end of any Coverage Month by giving AUL 31 days prior written notice.

AUL may terminate the insurance under this Section at the end of any Coverage Month by giving 31 days prior notice to the Group Policyholder.

**AUL WILL STILL BE LIABLE FOR PAYMENT OF VALID CLAIMS INCURRED BEFORE THE TERMINATION DATE.**

**THIS COVERAGE AND ANY BENEFITS UNDER THIS SECTION ARE NOT AVAILABLE DURING THE CONVERSION APPLICATION PERIOD, DURING THE ELIMINATION PERIOD, OR WHILE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE WAIVER OF PREMIUM PROVISIONS.**

## **SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**

### **EXPOSURE**

If You are unavoidably exposed to heat or cold as a direct result of a covered accident, and as a direct result of the exposure, You suffer a loss for which benefits would be payable under this Section, an AD&D benefit will be paid. Any loss associated with exposure to heat or cold must occur within 365 days of the accident.

The total amount payable will never exceed the AD&D Principal Sum for all losses sustained by You.

This provision is subject to the further limitations and provisions of this Section 12.

### **DISAPPEARANCE**

If You are an occupant in a vessel, vehicle, or plane at the time of accidental destruction, sinking, or disappearance of the vessel, vehicle, or plane and Your body cannot be found within one year of the date of the accidental destruction, sinking, or disappearance, You will be presumed to have died. AUL will only presume Accidental Death if:

- 1) there is no evidence to the contrary;
- 2) there is a determination by the appropriate governmental authorities or court issuing a valid and legally binding determination that You have died;
- 3) a certified copy of the governmental authority findings or court order is provided to AUL; and
- 4) benefits would have been paid assuming a death certificate could have been issued if the body was recovered.

If You are later determined not to have died following AUL's payment of any benefits under the policy, the individuals and entities which received any portion of the amounts paid by AUL will immediately return all amounts received upon receiving information indicating You are alive.

If You are later located after AUL has paid an Accidental Death benefit, any other benefit that may be payable under the policy will be reduced by the amount of any benefit already paid.

Coverage under the policy must exist with AUL at the time of Accidental Death. The total amount payable will not exceed the AD&D Principal Sum. This provision is subject to further limitations and provisions of Section 12.

**SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**  
**SECTION 12C - REPATRIATION BENEFIT**

This Section applies to Basic Accidental Death Insurance.

**DEFINITIONS**

**REASONABLE EXPENSES** means usual and customary fees or charges assessed in the marketplace for the services performed.

**REPATRIATION BENEFIT**

AUL will pay an Additional Accidental Death Benefit if You die either greater than 200 miles away from Your principal place of residence or are outside of the country at the time of Accidental Death. The following rules apply:

- 1) The Repatriation Benefit equals the lesser of:
  - a) Reasonable Expenses for transportation of Your body to a funeral home or mortuary near Your principal place of residence;
  - b) \$5,000; or
  - c) 10% of Your AD&D Principal Sum shown in the Schedule of Benefits.
- 2) AUL must receive satisfactory written proof documenting the location of Your Accidental Death. Any Repatriation Benefit will be paid following receipt that reasonable transportation expenses were paid.
- 3) Only one Repatriation Benefit will be paid to the beneficiary who has paid the cost for any covered expenses, regardless of any additional coverages for which You may be insured with AUL.
- 4) Acceptable written proof and documentation of the reasonable transportation expenses paid must be received by AUL within 12 months of Accidental Death.

In no event will the total of the Additional Accidental Death Benefits payable exceed 100% of Your AD&D Principal Sum.

In addition to the above limitations, this benefit is subject to the further limitations and provisions of this Section 12.

**SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**  
**SECTION 12D - CHILD HIGHER EDUCATION BENEFIT**

This Section applies to Basic Accidental Death Insurance.

**DEFINITIONS**

**ACADEMIC YEAR** means the annual period of educational sessions of an accredited post-secondary educational institution.

**ELIGIBLE STUDENT** under this Section means Your unmarried Child under age 25, who on the date of Your Accidental Death:

- 1) is enrolled in and is attending an accredited post-secondary educational institution on a full-time basis; or
- 2) is at the 12th grade level and enrolls and attends an accredited post-secondary educational institution within 16 months from the date of Your death; and
- 3) is dependent upon You for principal support and is claimed as a dependent on Your federal income tax return.

**EDUCATION EXPENSES** means tuition that is assessed by the accredited post secondary educational institution and is required to be paid in order for the Child to be classified as a full time student.

**CHILD HIGHER EDUCATION BENEFIT**

AUL will pay an Additional Accidental Death Benefit subject to the following rules:

- 1) The Child Higher Education Benefit payment will be no more than \$4,000 for each Eligible Student per Academic Year for Education Expenses. The cumulative benefit payments for all eligible students will not exceed the lesser of:
  - a) \$20,000; or
  - b) 10% of Your AD&D Principal Sum Insurance shown in the Schedule of Benefits.
- 2) The Child Higher Education Benefit will be paid:
  - a) for Education Expenses that are incurred and paid after Your Accidental Death;
  - b) once annually at the conclusion of the Academic Year;
  - c) not for more than 5 consecutive years after the date of Your Accidental Death;
  - d) until such date that the Child no longer satisfies eligibility requirements under the policy or the accredited post-secondary educational institution;
  - e) following AUL's receipt of documentation showing proof of paying Education Expenses, the Child Higher Education Benefit will be paid to any named beneficiary who paid Education Expenses; and
  - f) in direct proportion to the amount of Education Expenses paid by each named beneficiary.
- 3) If there is no Eligible Student, no Child Higher Education Benefit will be paid.
- 4) Child Higher Education Benefits will only be paid based on enrollment in one accredited post-secondary educational institution.
- 5) No annual Child Higher Education Benefits will be paid beyond the date the policy terminates. If the policy terminates within 60 days of the end of the current Academic Year, a final Child Higher Education Benefit will be paid when eligible.

In no event will the total of the Additional Accidental Death Benefits payable exceed 100% of Your AD&D Principal Sum.

In addition to the above limitations, this benefit is subject to the further limitations and provisions of this Section.

**SECTION 12 - ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**  
**SECTION 12E - CHILD CARE BENEFIT**

This Section applies to Basic Accidental Death Insurance.

**DEFINITIONS**

**CHILD CARE EXPENSES** mean any reasonable and customary weekly or monthly child-care fees assessed by a Child Care Facility.

**CHILD CARE FACILITY** means a properly state-licensed child-care center not owned or operated by a member of the Child's Family.

**ELIGIBLE CHILD(REN)** means Your Child(ren) under age 13.

**FAMILY** means any parent, step-parent, grandparent, brother, sister, uncle or aunt.

**CHILD CARE BENEFIT**

AUL will pay an Additional Accidental Death Benefit subject to the following rules:

- 1) The Child Care Benefit applies to each Eligible Child enrolled in a Child Care Facility on the date of Your Accidental Death or subsequently enrolls in a Child Care Facility within 12 months of Your Accidental Death.
- 2) Only Child Care Expenses incurred and paid after Your Accidental Death will be paid.
- 3) No more than \$4,000 will be paid for each Eligible Child per calendar year for Child Care expenses. The cumulative benefit payments for all Eligible Children will not exceed the lesser of:
  - a) \$20,000, or
  - b) 10% of Your AD&D Principal Sum shown in the Schedule of Benefits.
- 4) The Child Care Benefit will be paid once per year at the completion of the calendar year to the earlier of the following:
  - a) the date the Child no longer satisfies eligibility requirements;
  - b) the date the Child attains age 13; or
  - c) 5 consecutive years after the date of Your Accidental Death.
- 5) If there is no Eligible Child, no Child Care Benefit will be paid.
- 6) Following AUL's receipt of documentation showing proof of paying Child Care Expenses, the Child Care Benefit will be paid to any named beneficiary who paid Child Care Expenses, and in proportion to the amount of Child Care Expenses paid by each named beneficiary.
- 7) No Child Care Benefit will be paid beyond the date the policy terminates. If the policy terminates within 60 days of the end of the calendar year, a final Child Care Benefit will be paid when eligible.

In no event will the total of all Additional Accidental Death Benefits payable exceed 100% of Your AD&D Principal Sum.

In addition to the above limitations, this benefit is subject to the further limitations and provisions of this Section 12.

## **SECTION 13 - ACCELERATED LIFE BENEFIT**

This Section applies to Basic Life Insurance.

### **DEFINITION**

**TERMINAL CONDITION** means an injury or Sickness that, despite appropriate medical care, is conclusively established to AUL will result in Your death within 24 months from the date of claim.

### **ACCELERATED LIFE BENEFIT**

If You are Permanently and Totally Disabled and are diagnosed with a Terminal Condition and are eligible for benefits under this Section, You may apply for payment of the Accelerated Life Benefit. AUL may require that You be examined at AUL's expense by AUL's choice of Physician. The amount of Accelerated Life Benefit available is shown in the Schedule of Benefits, unless any portion of Your Life Amount has already been paid. The amount of Accelerated Life Benefit available will then be based on the amount remaining after payment of any portion of the Life Amount. Benefits will be paid in one lump sum to You.

At the time of payment AUL will send a statement to the Employee specifying:

- 1) the amount of benefits paid;
- 2) the effect of the Accelerated Life Benefit payment on the death benefit, on the face amount, and on the future premiums.

### **CONDITIONS**

To be eligible to apply for the Accelerated Life Benefit:

- 1) You must have Personal Insurance;
- 2) You must be determined by AUL to be Permanently and Totally Disabled from any occupation;
- 3) You must be under age 60;
- 4) You must be diagnosed by a Physician with a Terminal Condition while eligible for benefits under this Section;
- 5) If You are subject to laws of a community property state, you must obtain Your spouse's written consent for payment to You of the Accelerated Life Benefit; and
- 6) You can receive an Accelerated Life Benefit only once.

### **PROOF REQUIRED FOR THE ACCELERATED BENEFIT**

Proof is a completed claim form and other information AUL requires in order to determine whether benefits are owed under this Section. AUL may require that You be examined by a Physician selected by AUL and at AUL's expense. If AUL requires that You be examined and AUL's Physician and Your Physician disagree on the diagnosis of a Terminal Condition, AUL shall obtain a third opinion at AUL's expense from a Physician mutually agreed upon by AUL and You, and accept that Physician's diagnosis of a Terminal Condition.

### **LIMITATIONS**

An Accelerated Life Benefit will not be paid if:

- 1) You have named an irrevocable Beneficiary or made an assignment of Your Life Amount;
- 2) all or a portion of Your Life Amount is to be paid to another person or entity pursuant to a valid court order;
- 3) Your coverage terminates; or
- 4) the policy terminates.

## SECTION 13 - ACCELERATED LIFE BENEFIT

### Continued

After payment of an Accelerated Life Benefit, Your Life Amount payable at death to Your Beneficiary equals:

- 1) Your Life Amount as if an Accelerated Life Benefit payment had not been made, minus
- 2) the amount of the Accelerated Life Benefit paid, minus
- 3) the interest charge.

The interest charge equals the Accelerated Life Benefit amount, times the number of days from the date of payment to Your date of death divided by 365, times the interest rate. The interest rate will be based on the current 90-day Treasury bill rate existing on the date of payment of the Accelerated Life Benefit.

NOTE: Your Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance, if any, terminated upon approval of the Waiver of Premium benefit.

The required amount of premiums must continue to be received by AUL on the original Life Amount, unless premiums have ceased due to coverage under the Waiver of Premium benefit of the policy.

The AD&D Principal Sum, if any, will not be reduced by payment of the Accelerated Life Benefit.

The following information is used for illustrative purposes only:

Example: Life insurance in force = \$100,000\*  
Date of receipt of proof of terminal condition = 10/31/05  
Date of payment of Accelerated Life Benefit = 11/1/05  
Date of death = 2/15/06  
Interest rate\*\* = 3.5%

- 1) Amount of Accelerated Life Benefit =  $.50 \times \$100,000 = \$50,000$
- 2) Interest Charge =  $\$50,000 \times (106 \text{ days} / 365 \text{ days}) \times .035 = \$508.22$
- 3) Death Benefit Payable =  $\$100,000 - \$50,000 - \$508.22 = \$49,491.78$

\*Your Life Insurance amount is shown in the Schedule of Benefits in Your insurance certificate.

\*\*The interest rate is equal to the 90-day Treasury bill rate on the date of the Accelerated Life Benefit payment.

NOTE: The Accelerated Life Benefit offered under the policy is intended to qualify for favorable tax treatment under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. If the Accelerated Life Benefit qualifies for such favorable tax treatment, the benefit will be excludable from the Employee's income and not subject to federal taxation. The laws relating to Accelerated Life Benefits are complex. Employees are advised to consult with a qualified tax advisor about circumstances under which they could receive an Accelerated Life Benefit excludable under federal law. Eligibility for Public Assistance: Receipt of an Accelerated Life Benefit may affect the Employee's, their Dependent spouse's, or their family's eligibility for public assistance programs such as medical assistance (Medicaid), Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), supplementary social security income (SSI), and drug assistance programs. Employees are advised to consult with a qualified tax advisor and with social service agencies concerning how receipt of such a payment will affect the Employee's, their Dependent spouse's, and their family's eligibility for public assistance.

## **SECTION 15 - PAYMENT OF DEATH BENEFITS**

If You die while insured under the policy, AUL will pay the benefits owed under the policy to the Beneficiary:

- 1) no later than two (2) months upon timely receipt of acceptable proof of death and proof of the right of the claimant to the proceeds; and
- 2) subject to all other provisions of the policy and to Your dated and signed designation.

The following Sections describe the manner in which death benefits are paid.

## **SECTION 16 - NAMING OF BENEFICIARY**

**BENEFICIARY** means the individual, individuals or entity named by You to receive Your Life Amount.

Unless the policy provides otherwise, AUL will pay benefits according to Your Beneficiary designation.

When You apply for coverage on an AUL-approved form, You should:

- 1) designate the name of one or more Beneficiaries;
- 2) classify the Beneficiaries by order of preference, either primary or contingent; and
- 3) indicate distribution of the proceeds among members of the class of Beneficiaries.

If more than one primary Beneficiary is listed and no distributive share is indicated, then all primary Beneficiaries will share equally. If no primary Beneficiaries outlive You and there is no distributive share indicated among the contingent Beneficiaries, then all contingent Beneficiaries will share equally.

If the policy replaces insurance coverage of another carrier, AUL may, upon written request of the Group Policyholder, recognize Beneficiary designations in effect under the prior coverage as effective until a new designation is made with AUL, provided that prior designations are in a form acceptable to AUL and the Group Policyholder receives AUL's written approval of the form.

### **CHANGING A BENEFICIARY**

You may change a Beneficiary at any time by written request. The request must be completed, signed, dated and filed through the Group Policyholder.

AUL may recognize a beneficiary change as of the date the form was signed by You even if You are not alive when AUL receives it. However, AUL is not liable if benefits are paid according to the previous designation before AUL receives the change. If You apply for an individual life insurance conversion policy under Section 10, Conversion Privilege and name a new Beneficiary, AUL will use any beneficiary designated in that application when determining which beneficiary to pay.

AUL reserves the right to require that any Beneficiary designation be acceptable to it and be made pursuant to applicable laws.



## **SECTION 17 - THE DEATH CLAIM**

If You die while insured under the policy, proof of death should be furnished as soon as possible. The claim may still be considered if it can be shown that timely submission of the claim was not possible due to events beyond the control of the beneficiary, but will not be considered after the applicable statute of limitations has passed.

Proof of death must include:

- 1) a certified death certificate; and
- 2) a completed claim form.

AUL, at its option, may also require:

- 1) return of Your insurance certificate;
- 2) submission of pertinent medical records, including an autopsy report;
- 3) police reports; or
- 4) any other documents AUL may deem reasonably necessary to determine what benefits and to whom benefits are owed.

If the cause of death cannot be clearly established by other means, AUL reserves the right to have a medical examination performed. The examination will be performed:

- 1) at AUL's expense; and
- 2) by a Physician of AUL's choice.

If the policy is no longer in force, proof furnished more than two (2) years from the date of loss must also include:

- 1) proof of employment at death; and
- 2) proof of coverage under the policy at death.

## **SECTION 18 - DETERMINATION OF BENEFICIARY**

Once acceptable proof of death is received, AUL will determine the Beneficiaries or payees in the following order:

- 1) If more than one primary Beneficiary is listed and no distributive share is indicated, then all primary Beneficiaries will share equally.
- 2) If no primary Beneficiaries outlive You and there is no distributive share indicated among contingent Beneficiaries, then all contingent Beneficiaries will share equally.
- 3) If no named Beneficiaries outlive You or none were named, then at AUL's option, the closest surviving heir(s) if the benefits could be paid to these heir(s) under applicable small estate laws. Heirs will be considered in descending order of preference as follows:
  - a) spouse;
  - b) child(ren);
  - c) parent(s); or
  - d) brother(s) and sister(s).
- 4) If no named Beneficiaries outlive You or none were named and the benefits could not be paid to the closest surviving heir(s) under applicable small estate laws, then Your estate.

AUL may, at its option, pay the proceeds in an amount not to exceed \$250 to any individual appearing to AUL to be legally entitled to payment by reason of having paid funeral or other burial expenses related to Your death.

In the event You and Your Dependents should die simultaneously or if there is no clear evidence as to which individual died first, it shall be presumed that the Dependents should have predeceased You.

If any Beneficiary dies within 15 days after Your death, the Beneficiary will be treated as having died before You. This provision does not apply to any payment mailed to such Beneficiary during the 15 days following Your death, and any payment made in good faith shall fully discharge AUL.

## **SECTION 19 - SELECTION OF PAYMENT METHOD**

The proceeds will be paid in a lump sum unless another payment method is selected or changed by giving written notice to AUL prior to Your death. If no payment method is in effect at death, the payee may select a payment method. For information concerning payment method options, You or payee should contact AUL.

Benefits will be paid only if AUL decides in its discretion the person is entitled to them and after AUL approves the payment method. Any person who becomes entitled to receive any portion of the proceeds under the policy shall be entitled to receive payment of interest from the date proof is accepted by AUL until a written offer is made to settle the claim. Interest payable shall be calculated at an annual rate after all requested information is received by AUL. The rate of interest payable shall be the lesser of 3% or that rate, as determined from time to time by AUL, applicable to proceeds of life insurance left on deposit with AUL and subject to withdrawal on demand. For the purposes of this section, payment shall be deemed to have been received by the person when deposited by AUL in United States mail, postage prepaid, and directed to the person's last known address or the Group Policyholder's address shown in AUL's records.

Other than lump sum payment, AUL reserves the right to specify the minimum periodic payment when a method is to become effective.

## SECTION 21 - GENERAL POLICY PROVISIONS

**ENTIRE CONTRACT:** The policy, the enrollment forms of the individuals, the application of the Group Policyholder, and any amendments made from time to time constitute the entire contract between the parties.

**AMENDMENT and CHANGES:** The policy may be amended by mutual agreement between the Group Policyholder and AUL but without prejudice to any valid claim incurred prior to the effective date of the amendment. The policy may be changed or corrected by AUL at any time. However, no change in the policy will be valid unless written notice is provided by AUL containing the signature of its Chief Executive Officer or Secretary. No other person can alter or waive the conditions of the policy or make any agreement that shall be binding upon AUL. No agent may or has the authority to waive, alter or change any terms and conditions of the policy or coverage.

**INCONTESTABILITY:** The validity of any coverage under the policy may not be contested, except for nonpayment of premiums, after the policy has been in force for two years after its date of issue, no statement made by Group Policyholder or You or Your Dependent relating to Your insurability may be used in contesting the validity of the insurance with respect to which the statement was made, unless: (1) the insurance has not been in force before the contest for a period of two years or longer from the date the insurance was issued during the insured's lifetime; and (2) the statement is contained in a written instrument signed by the Group Policyholder or You or Your Dependent making the statement. All statements made by the Group Policyholder or by the Employees or Dependents insured are to be deemed representations and not warranties, no statement made by any person insured may be used in any contest unless a copy of the instrument containing the statement is or has been furnished to the Employees or Dependents or, in the event of death or incapacity of the Employee or Dependent, to the Employee's or Dependent's beneficiary or personal representative.

If a reinstatement is contested for misrepresentation, no representation other than one causing the reinstatement may be used to contest the policy, any contest of the reinstatement may be for a material and fraudulent misrepresentation only and reinstatement may not be contested more than two (2) years after the effective date of the reinstatement; provided, this provision does not affect AUL's right to contest the policy for a representation respecting the initial policy issuance or a different reinstatement during the incontestable period applicable to such issuance or reinstatement. The Accidental Death Benefits are not subject to this provision.

**INSURANCE FRAUD:** AUL wants to ensure that its customers do not incur additional insurance costs as a result of the act of insurance fraud. AUL promises to focus on all means necessary to support fraud detection, investigation and prosecution.

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance may be guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

**RELATIONSHIP:** AUL and the Group Policyholder are, and will remain, independent contractors. Nothing in the policy shall be construed as making the parties joint ventures or as creating a relationship of employer and employee, master and servant, or principal and agent. Neither party has any power, right or authority to bind the other or to assume or create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of the other. AUL and the Group Policyholder each retain exclusive control of their time and methods to perform their respective duties. AUL and the Group Policyholder will employ, pay and supervise their own employees and pay their own expenses during the term of the policy.

## SECTION 21 - GENERAL POLICY PROVISIONS

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**DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY:** Benefits under the policy will be paid only if AUL decides in its discretion that the applicant is entitled to them. Except for the functions the policy explicitly reserves to a Group Policyholder, AUL reserves the right to:

- 1) manage the policy and administer claims under it; and
- 2) interpret the provisions and resolve questions arising under it.

AUL's authority includes, but is not limited to, the right to:

- 1) establish and enforce procedures for administering the policy and claims under it;
- 2) determine applicant's eligibility for insurance and entitlement to benefits;
- 3) determine what information AUL reasonably requires to make such decisions; and
- 4) resolve all matters when a claim review is requested.

Any decision that AUL makes, in the exercise of its authority, will be conclusive; subject to Your or Your beneficiary's right to request reviews allowed under applicable laws.

**GRACE PERIOD:** Premiums are due monthly and must be received by AUL within the required time frame for coverage to remain in force. You are entitled to a grace period of 31 calendar days for the payment of any premium due except the first. During the grace period, the insurance coverage shall continue in force, unless AUL has received written notice of termination in advance of date of termination and in accordance with the terms of the policy. Group Policyholder is liable to AUL for the payment of a pro rata premium for the time the policy was in force during the grace period. If the required amount of premium is not received by the end of the grace period, the insurance will terminate as of the last day of coverage for which premium was paid.

**LEGAL ACTION:** No legal action may be brought to obtain benefits under the policy:

- 1) for at least 60 days after proof of loss has been furnished; or
- 2) after three (3) years from the time written proof of loss is required to have been furnished to AUL.

**CONFORMITY WITH STATE LAWS:** Any provision of the policy in conflict with the laws of the state in which it is delivered is amended to conform to the minimum requirements of those laws.

**DATA AND RECORDS:** The Group Policyholder must furnish information which AUL reasonably requires. The Group Policyholder's documents which may have a bearing on the insurance shall be open for inspection by AUL at all reasonable times.

**GENDER PRONOUNS:** Whenever the male pronoun is used, it shall also mean the female.

**CERTIFICATES:** If there is any discrepancy between the provisions of any certificate and the provisions of the policy, the provisions of the policy will govern.

**ASSIGNMENT:** You may make an absolute assignment of all benefits and rights of Your coverage. Any coverage is assignable to the extent permitted by law except that no collateral assignment is permitted. No assignment is binding unless filed with AUL in a form acceptable to it. AUL assumes no responsibility for the validity or effect of any assignment.

**CLAIMS OF CREDITORS:** The benefits paid under the policy will be exempt from the claims of creditors to the maximum extent permitted by law.

## **SECTION 21 - GENERAL POLICY PROVISIONS**

### **Continued**

**CLERICAL ERROR:** Clerical error on the part of the Group Policyholder or AUL will not invalidate insurance otherwise in force or continue insurance otherwise validly terminated. Upon discovery of an error, an equitable adjustment will be made in the premiums and/or benefits, if appropriate.

**MISSTATEMENT OF AGE:** If Your age or Your Dependent has been misstated, the benefits will be payable based on the true facts. Premium adjustment will be made so that AUL will receive the actual premium required based on the true facts. Any adjustment of benefits due to the correction of age will also be made.

**ERISA APPEAL GUIDELINES WHEN POLICY IS GOVERNED BY ERISA:** If a claimant wishes to appeal AUL's decision, claimants are allowed 60 days following receipt of a notification of an adverse benefit determination within which to appeal the determination. Claimants are allowed the opportunity to submit written comments, documents, records, and other information relating to the claim for benefits. The claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records, and other information relevant to the claimant's claim for benefits. Whether a document, record, or other information is relevant to a claim for benefits shall be determined by reference to paragraph (m)(8) of 29 C.F.R. Section 2560.503-1. AUL's review will take into account all comments, documents, records, and other information submitted by the claimant relating to the claim, without regard to whether such information was submitted or considered in the initial benefit determination. A claimant has a right to obtain the information about any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan described in paragraph (c)(3)(iv) of 29 C.F.R. Section 2560.503-1 and has a right to bring an action under section 502(a) of ERISA. A final determination will be provided pursuant to 29 C.F.R. Section 2560.503-1.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT COVERAGE UNDER THE TEXAS LIFE, ACCIDENT, HEALTH  
AND HOSPITAL SERVICE INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION**

Texas law establishes a system administered by the Texas Life, Accident, Health and Hospital Service Insurance Guaranty Association (the "Association"), to protect policyholders if their life or health insurance company fails. Only the policyholders of insurance companies which are members of the Association are eligible for this protection which is subject to the terms, limitations, and conditions of the Association law. (The law is found in the Texas Insurance Code, Chapter 463.)

**It is possible that the Association may not cover your policy in full or in part due to statutory limitations.**

**Eligibility for Protection by the Association**

When a member insurance company is found to be insolvent and placed under an order of liquidation by a court or designated as impaired by the Texas Commissioner of Insurance, the Association provides coverage to policyholders who are:

- 1) Residents of Texas at that time (irrespective of the policyholder's residency at policy issue);
- 2) Residents of other states, ONLY if the following conditions are met:
  - a) The policyholder has a policy with a company domiciled in Texas;
  - b) The policyholder's state of residence has a similar guaranty association; and
  - c) The policyholder is *not eligible* for coverage by the guaranty association of the policyholder's state of residence.

**Limits of Protection by the Association**

**Accident, Accident and Health, or Health Insurance:**

- 1) For each individual covered under one or more policies: up to a total of \$500,000 for basic hospital, medical-surgical, and major medical insurance; \$300,000 for disability or long term care insurance; and \$200,000 for other types of health insurance.

**Life Insurance:**

- 1) Net cash surrender value up to a total of \$100,000 under one or more policies on any one life; or
- 2) Death benefits up to a total of \$300,000 under one or more policies on any one life; or
- 3) Total benefits up to a total of \$5,000,000 to any owner of multiple non-group life policies.

**Individual Annuities:**

- 1) Present value of benefits up to a total of \$100,000 under one or more contracts on any one life.

**Group Annuities:**

- 1) Present value of allocated benefits up to a total of \$100,000 on any one life; or
- 2) Present value of unallocated benefits up to a total of \$5,000,000 for one contract holder regardless of the number of contracts.

**Aggregate Limit:**

- 1) \$300,000 on any one life with the exception of the \$500,000 health insurance limit, the \$5,000,000 multiple owner life insurance limit, and the \$5,000,000 unallocated group annuity limit.

Insurance companies and agents are prohibited by law from using the existence of the Association for the purpose of sales, solicitation, or inducement to purchase any form of insurance. When you are selecting an insurance company, you should not rely on Association coverage.

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