NOTICE CONCERNING COVERAGE LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS UNDER THE LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION ACT

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

The Missouri Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association may not provide coverage for this policy. If coverage is provided, it may be subject to substantial limitations or exclusions, and require continued residency in Missouri. You should not rely on coverage by the Missouri Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association in selecting an insurance company or in selecting an insurance policy. Coverage is NOT provided for your policy or any portion of it that is not guaranteed by the insurer or for which you have assumed the risk, such as a variable contract sold by prospectus. Insurance companies or their agents are required by law to give or send you this notice. However, insurance companies and their agents are prohibited by law from using the existence of the guaranty association to induce you to purchase any kind of insurance policy.

YOU MAY CONTACT EITHER THE ASSOCIATION OR THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NOTICE.

The Missouri Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association 994 Diamond Ridge, Suite 102 Jefferson City, MO 65109

> Missouri Department of Insurance P.O. Box 690 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0690

The state law that provides for this safety-net coverage is called the Missouri Life and Health Insurance Guaranty 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 guaranty association.

Generally, persons will be covered if they live in this state, and hold a life or health insurance contract or annuity, or a certificate under a group policy or contract. However, not all individuals with a right to recover under life or health insurance policies or annuities are protected by the Act. A person is not protected when:

- 1. The person is eligible for protection under the laws of another state.
- 2. The person purchased the insurance from a company that was not authorized to do business in this state;
- 3. The policy is issued by an organization which is not a member insurer of the association; or
- 4. The person does not live in this state, except under limited circumstances.

Additionally, the Association may not provide coverage for the entire amount a person expects to receive from the policy. The Association does not provide coverage for any portion of the policy where the person has assumed the risk, for any policy of reinsurance (unless an assumption certificate was issued), for interest rates that exceed a specified average rate, for employers' plans that are self-funded, for parts of plans that provide dividends or credits in connection with the administration of policy, or for unallocated annuity contracts (which are generally issued to pension plan trustees).

The Act also limits the amount the Association is obligated to pay persons on various policies. The Association does not pay more than the amount of the contractual obligation of the insurance company. The Association does not have to pay more than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) in death benefits for any one life regardless of the number of policies that insure that life. The Association does not have to pay amounts over one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in cash surrender or withdrawal benefits on one life regardless of the number of policies insuring that individual. For health insurance benefits, the Association is not obligated to pay over one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in cuding net cash surrender and withdrawal benefits. On an annuity contract, the Association is not liable for over one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in present value. Finally, the Association is never

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obligated to pay more than a total of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for any one insured for any one insured for any combination of insurance benefits.

Notes:

All states have Life and Health Guaranty Associations. These associations are nonprofit entities established to protect policyholders and insureds in the event that a member insurer becomes impaired or insolvent. Members of the associations, usually insurers are responsible for funding the Association through payment of assessments.

If a member insurer becomes impaired or insolvent, the association will provide protection by paying claims under the impaired/insolvent insurer's policies and in some cases by continuing coverage.

Most states require a notice regarding their associations to be provided to policyholders in their state while a few states require delivery to the certificateholder. These notices are summaries of what the association covers. Our practice is to include the notice upon delivery of the policy.