

## 1. CLIENT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN or Tax ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Use this form if you are currently employed with the employer sponsoring the Plan. If you have separated from service, please complete a Cash Distribution Form (VL 8725). If additional information is required we may call or email you using the information on file. You may update your information by accessing your account online at [corebridgefinancial.com/retire](http://corebridgefinancial.com/retire).

Check here if you do NOT want us to use your email on file to obtain any additional information needed to process this request.

\*For purposes of this Hardship Distribution Form, the "Company" is the issuer of your Contract or Account.

## 2. DISTRIBUTION REQUEST

In accounts/contracts containing Multi-Year Terms, distributions made prior to maturity date may be subject to a market value adjustment.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT requested on account of your hardship need. You may request that we process a distribution to include taxes that you reasonably expect to be payable on your hardship distribution. **This amount may not exceed 40% above your hardship need amount.** Please tell us what percentage above your hardship need you would like: \_\_\_\_\_%.

Please indicate Account(s) you wish to withdraw from.

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Account # \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_%

The Company reserves the right to close your account if the account balance is reduced to \$0. Once the account is closed, no further contributions will be accepted.

Living-Benefit Maximum Annual Withdrawal Amount (if applicable)

Choose One:

Distribute the amount pro-rata against all available funds (default)

Distribute the amount or percentage from each fund as specified below:

Fund Code	Amount	Fund Code	Amount	Fund Code	Amount
_____	\$ _____ or _____%	_____	\$ _____ or _____%	_____	\$ _____ or _____%
_____	\$ _____ or _____%	_____	\$ _____ or _____%	_____	\$ _____ or _____%
_____	\$ _____ or _____%	_____	\$ _____ or _____%	_____	\$ _____ or _____%

## 3. REASON FOR DISTRIBUTION

Check the appropriate box(es) that describes the nature of your immediate and heavy financial need and attach documentation (confirming nature of need, date and amount needed) to support each box checked, such as medical bills, notice of eviction or foreclosure, etc. Note: Your plan may restrict allowable reasons.

- Medical expenses for you, your spouse, or your dependent.
- Expenses directly related to the purchase of your principal residence, excluding mortgage payments.
- Tuition-related educational fees, room and board, for post-secondary education for the next 12 months for you, your spouse, your children, or your dependents.
- Amounts required to prevent eviction from, or foreclosure on, your principal residence.
- Funeral expenses of a family member, or travel expense to attend funeral of family member.
- Expenses for repair of damage to your principal residence that would qualify for the casualty deduction as defined in IRC Section 165.
- Expenses and losses (including loss of income) incurred as the result of a disaster declared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). In addition, your principal residence or principal place of employment at the time of the disaster was located in an area designated by FEMA for individual assistance related to the disaster.
- Other (if employer's plan allows) - The Plan Administrator of my employer's plan has reviewed and approved this "other" reason for my hardship request and has signed this form accordingly (provide reason):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4. INVESTMENT PROVIDER INFORMATION (Skip this section if your plan has only one provider or you are not in a 403(b) Plan.)**

Plan type of my account:  403(b)  401(a) or 401(k) (If 401(a) or 401(k), skip to section 5)  
**This section is applicable to hardship distributions from 403(b) plans. If you are requesting a hardship distribution from a 403(b) plan and Plan Administrator or Third-Party Administrator (TPA) signature is required in section 9, skip this section. Contact your employer to determine if Plan Administrator or TPA signature is required.**

I have funds in this plan with other investment providers:  Yes  No (If no, skip to section 5)  
 If you answered "Yes" to the question above, the Hardship Distribution Supplement for Investment Providers (on page 4) will be required.

List all other investment providers and account number(s) under this Plan where contributions have been made at any time:

Investment Provider	Customer Service Phone Number	Account Number

Use a separate sheet for additional accounts.

**5. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS**

If you have already provided information to receive an electronic funds transfer (EFT) your payment will be sent electronically. If you have not previously set this up, your payment will be made by a check sent via USPS to the address of record on file.  
 To add or update your banking information so that your payment can be made via EFT, visit [corebridgefinancial.com/retire](http://corebridgefinancial.com/retire) and access your account. Please do not include any bank information on this form.

**6. INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS**

If you do not have enough tax withheld, you are still liable for any taxes owed and may be subject to tax penalties for under-withholding.

**Federal Income Tax (FIT) Withholding**  
**FIT Withholding will be applied based on the defaults described below unless the referenced IRS Form is submitted. Current IRS Forms are available on the IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).**

- Hardship distributions are not eligible to be rolled over to an IRA or qualified plan. They are generally subject to a 10% FIT default rate on the taxable portion. To request a different rate or to request no federal tax withholding attach a completed IRS Form W4-R. If a W4-R is not provided with this request, 10% Fit will be withheld.
- If a portion of this withdrawal was available to you for a reason other than hardship, that portion may be eligible to be rolled over to an IRA or qualified plan ("Eligible Rollover Distribution", or ERD; see the "Special Tax Notice" for more information). ERDs are subject to 20% mandatory FIT withholding. Unless you provide a W4-R requesting more than 20% federal tax withholding, 20% FIT will be withheld from the ERD portion of this withdrawal.
- 30% FIT (may be less depending on country of domicile and any applicable ratified income tax treaty) will be withheld on payments to an address outside the United States. If you qualify for reduced withholding, submit an IRS Form W-8BEN.

**State Income Tax (SIT) Withholding (if applicable)**  
 States with SIT either require mandatory withholding or allow voluntary withholding. Withholding is based on your resident state on file. Each state determines their specific state requirements, which may include a default rate, or require your election be provided on their state specific withholding form. If you do not provide instructions OR your instructions are different than your resident's state requirements, SIT will be withheld using the state's requirements.

**State Withholding Instructions**  
 **DO NOT** withhold any state taxes unless mandated by law.  **DO** withhold state taxes in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ % (cannot be less than any mandatory withholding)





The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC)  
 The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York (USL)

# HARDSHIP DISTRIBUTION FORM

For Annuity Accounts Only – Plan Types 403(b), 401(a) and 401(k)

Mail Completed Forms to:

Retirement Services Center

P.O. Box 15648, Amarillo, TX 79105-5648

Call 1-800-448-2542 for assistance.

## 10. CLIENT APPROVAL

- I authorize the above distribution and certify that all statements, including marital statements, are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- I have read and understand the information provided in the Information pages of this form, including Living-Benefit Option if applicable, and acknowledge that distributions may be subject to surrender charges as provided in the contract and that this distribution may result in taxable income and penalties.
- I have read and understood the "Joint and Survivor Annuity and Qualified Annuity Benefit" section of the Special Tax Notice, applicable to plans subject to ERISA only. By signing below I am agreeing to waive any benefit or right described in that section that would have been provided with respect to the amount that I am withdrawing. I also understand that I have the right to revoke any waiver if a distribution has not already been made.
- I affirm that I am unable to obtain the amount needed. I have obtained all other currently available distributions (not including hardship distributions) under the plan and all other qualified and nonqualified plans of the employer or I have confirmed no funds are currently available as an in-service cash distribution.
- By signing this form, I am providing the Plan Administrator a written representation that I have insufficient cash or other liquid assets reasonably available to satisfy my immediate and heavy financial need. Subject to the terms of my plan, I understand and acknowledge Company may rely on my written representation as self-certification that I qualify for the financial hardship distribution to approve and process my distribution request.
- I hereby authorize Company to confirm the accuracy of all information provided in section 4 and understand that my request will not be processed until confirmed. I also authorize Company to confirm with the listed providers, and I authorize those listed providers to confirm the information provided in this section regarding my account balance, prior hardship withdrawals and the ability to obtain a loan from the plan, subject to the requirement that the information provided herein is authorized for use by Company solely for the purposes of satisfying the restrictions under the plan.

Signature Guarantee (if applicable)

Note: If you borrow, surrender, or withdraw any funds from your contract, the guaranteed elements, non-guaranteed elements, face amount, or surrender value of your existing contract may be affected.

- California Residents Only:** For your protection California law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents false or fraudulent information to obtain or amend insurance coverage or to make a claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

Client (Print Name)

Client's Signature

Date

## 9. FINANCIAL REPRESENTATIVE/LICENSED AGENT INFORMATION AND SIGNATURES

To be completed by your VFA Representative or Broker-Dealer Agent when providing assistance.

Broker-Dealer (Print Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Branch Office Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Licensed Agent/Registered Representative (Print Name): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Agent #: \_\_\_\_\_ Location/Region: \_\_\_\_\_ State License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Licensed Agent's/Registered Representative's Signature

Date

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# Hardship Distribution Supplement for Investment Providers

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(For use with decentralized multi-investment provider 403(b) plans.)

The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC)

(Skip this section if your plan has only one provider or

The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York (USL)

you are not in a 403(b) Plan.)

**Employee:** A request for hardship distribution from your 403(b) account and answering "Yes" to the question in section 4 also requires the submission of this supplemental form to your other investment providers to ensure compliance with the federal tax rules governing these withdrawals. You should complete Box A (below) and provide a copy of this form to each of the other investment provider(s) for completion of Box B. Upon completion of this form, the supplemental form should then be submitted along with the Hardship Distribution Form and any required documentation to support the request such as medical bills, notice of eviction or foreclosure, etc.

**Remit this page to each of the investment providers listed in section 4 for completion of required information:**

## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ Contract\* or Account: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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### BOX A:

Name of Investment Provider:	
Employer Name:	
Plan Name:	
Participant's Name:	
Participant's Address:	
Provide Account #:	Provide Account #:

- I certify that the information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I hereby authorize Company to confirm the accuracy of all information provided in section 4 and understand that my request will not be processed until confirmed. I also authorize Company to confirm with the listed providers, and I authorize those listed providers to confirm the information provided in this section regarding my account balance, prior hardship withdrawals and the ability to obtain a loan from the plan, subject to the requirement that the information provided herein is authorized for use by Company solely for the purposes of satisfying the restrictions under the plan.

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Investment Providers:** Client has authorized Company to collect the following information. Complete the following table for each 403(b) account where contributions have been made at any time.

**Return to Client upon completion.**

### BOX B:

**Account #1**

**Account #2**

	Account #1	Account #2
Account Number(s):		
Account Balance(s):		
Account Balance(s) On 12/31/1988:		
Amount in account(s) that is not restricted (e.g., rollovers, unrestricted employer contributions):		
Amount of this hardship that has been satisfied by distribution from this provider:		
Date of hardship distribution(s):		

Signature of Investment Provider \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Investment Provider \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Investment Provider \_\_\_\_\_

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## For more information regarding the completion of this form, you may call our Client Care Center at 1-800-448-2542 or your financial professional.

Your employer's plan may not allow hardship withdrawals or may limit hardship withdrawals to only certain reasons. Your employer's plan may require you to obtain any available loan that would not result in an additional hardship to you.

Please check with your financial professional or your employer's benefits office for more information on plan provisions. The IRS will be notified that you have made a withdrawal due to hardship. Your hardship must be bona fide or your account value may become immediately taxable to you and subject to substantial penalties and interest.

A distribution is treated as necessary to satisfy your financial need only to the extent the amount of the distribution is not in excess of the amount required to satisfy the financial need and any amounts necessary to pay any federal, state or local income taxes or penalties reasonably anticipated to as a result of the distribution.

A distribution is not treated as necessary to satisfy an immediate and heavy financial need of an employee unless each of the following requirements is satisfied:

- The employee has obtained all other currently available distributions (not including hardship distributions) under the plan and all other plans of the employer, qualified and nonqualified plans (deferred compensation plans);
- The employee has provided the plan administrator a representation in writing (including use of an electronic medium or other form as prescribed by the Commissioner) that he or she has insufficient cash or other liquid assets reasonably available to satisfy the need; and
- The plan administrator does not have actual knowledge that is contrary to the employee's representation.

Any amount that you could withdraw without requesting a hardship withdrawal (including pre-89 TDA funds) may be eligible for rollover to another plan or IRA, and will be subject to mandatory 20% federal income tax withholding. By completing this form, you are choosing to waive any right you may have to a direct rollover, and to waive any right to wait up to thirty days before receiving this distribution. If you do not wish to waive either of these rights, or if you intend to roll over any eligible portion of your withdrawal within 60 days after you receive it, avoiding current taxation, you should: (1) complete Cash Distribution Request Form for the rollover-eligible amount; and (2) reduce the amount requested on this form accordingly.

## SPECIAL TAX NOTICE

The information in this notice applies to employer plans (a tax-qualified plan, section 403(b) plan, or governmental section 457(b) plan) (each referred to herein as "Plan"). You are receiving this notice because all or a portion of a payment you are receiving may be eligible to be rolled over to an IRA or an employer plan, or if your payment is from a designated Roth account (a type of account with special tax rules in some employer plans), to a Roth IRA or designated Roth account in an employer plan. This notice is intended to help you decide whether to direct such a rollover.

You have the right to at least 30 days to consider your alternatives after receiving this notice. You may waive this review period. Your signature on the accompanying form will indicate that either you have had this 30-day review or that you have chosen to waive it and you are requesting an immediate distribution. This notice does not describe any State or local income tax rules (including withholding rules).

## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ROLLOVERS

For accounts that are not designated Roth accounts. See below "Payments From Designated Roth Accounts" for rollover rules regarding payments from designated Roth accounts in 401(k), 403(b) or governmental section 457(b) plans.

### How can a rollover affect my taxes?

You will be taxed on a payment from the Plan if you do not direct a rollover. If you are under age 59½ and do not direct a rollover, you will also have to pay a 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). However, if you do a rollover, you will not have to pay tax until you receive payments later and the 10% additional income tax will not apply if those payments are made after you are age 59½ (or if an exception applies).

### What types of retirement accounts and plans may accept my rollover?

You may roll over the payment to either an IRA (an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity) or another employer plan, (a tax qualified plan, section 403(b) plan, or governmental section 457(b) plan) that will accept the rollover. Check with the administrator of that plan about whether the plan accepts rollovers and, if so, the types of rollovers it accepts. The rules of the IRA or employer plan that holds the rollover will determine your investment options, fees, and rights to payment from the IRA or employer plan (for example, no spousal consent rules apply to IRAs and IRAs may not provide loans). Further, the amount rolled over will become subject to the tax rules that apply to the IRA or employer plan.

## How do I do a rollover?

There are two ways to do a rollover. You can do either a direct rollover or a 60-day rollover.

If you do a direct rollover, the Plan or IRA will make the payment directly to your IRA or an employer plan. You should contact the IRA sponsor or the administrator of the employer plan for information on how to do a direct rollover.

If you do not do a direct rollover, you may still do a rollover by making a deposit into an IRA or eligible employer plan that will accept it. You will have 60 days after you receive the payment to make the deposit. If you do not do a direct rollover, the Plan is required to withhold 20% of the payment (or higher amount you elect) for federal income taxes. This means that, in order to roll over the entire payment in a 60-day rollover, you must use other funds to make up for the 20% withheld (or the higher amount you elected). If you do not roll over the entire amount of the payment, the portion not rolled over will be taxed and will be subject to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions if you are under age 59½ (unless an exception applies).

### If you miss the 60-day rollover deadline (for both designated Roth accounts and accounts not designated as Roth accounts).

Generally, the 60-day rollover deadline cannot be extended. However, the IRS has the limited authority to waive the deadline under certain extraordinary circumstances, such as when external events prevented you from completing the rollover by the 60-day rollover deadline. There are three ways to obtain a waiver of the 60-day rollover requirement: you qualify for an automatic waiver; you self-certify that you met the requirements of a waiver and the IRS determines during an audit of your income tax return that you qualify for a waiver, or your receive a private letter ruling granting a waiver. Payment is required to apply for a private letter ruling with the IRS. The user fee for a private letter ruling is nonrefundable. For more information, see IRS Publication 590-A, Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs).

### How much may I rollover? (for both designated Roth accounts and accounts not designated as Roth accounts)

If you wish to direct a rollover, you may direct a rollover of all or part of the amount eligible for rollover. Any payment from an employer plan or IRA is eligible for rollover, except:

- Certain payments spread over a period of at least 10 years or over your life or life expectancy (or the lives or joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary).
- Required minimum distributions after age 75 (if born after December 31, 1959), 73 (if born after December 31, 1950, and before January 1, 1960), age 72 (if born after June 30, 1949 and before January 1, 1951), age 70½ (if born before July 1, 1949) or after death.
- Hardship distributions (unforeseeable emergency distribution for governmental section 457(b) plans).
- Corrective distributions of contributions that exceed tax law limitations.
- Loans treated as deemed distributions (for example, loans in default due to missed payments before your employment ends). However, qualified plan loan offset payments and plan loan offset amounts can be eligible rollover distributions. See "Loans" and "Extended Rollover Deadline for Certain Offset Loans" below.
- Payments of certain automatic enrollment contributions requested to be withdrawn within 90 days of the first contribution.
- Cost of life insurance paid by the Plan.

The Plan administrator or the payor can tell you what portion of a payment is eligible for rollover.

## SPECIAL RULES AND OPTIONS

### If your payment includes after-tax contributions.

After-tax contributions included in a payment are not taxed. If a payment is only part of your benefit, an allocable portion of your after-tax contributions is included in the payment, so you cannot take a payment of only after-tax contributions. However, if you have pre-1987 after-tax contributions maintained in a separate account, a special rule may apply to determine whether the after-tax contributions are included in a payment. In addition, special rules apply when you do a rollover, as described below.

You may roll over to an IRA a payment that includes after-tax contributions through either a direct rollover or a 60-day rollover. You must keep track of the aggregate amount of the after-tax contributions in all of your IRAs (in order to determine your taxable income for later payments from the IRAs). If you do a direct rollover of only a portion of the amount paid from the Plan and at the time the rest is paid to you,

the portion directly rolled over consists first of the amount that would be taxable if not rolled over. For example, assume you are receiving a distribution of \$12,000, of which \$2,000 is after-tax contributions. In this case, if you directly roll over \$10,000 to an IRA that is not a Roth IRA, no amount is taxable because the \$2,000 amount not directly rolled over is treated as being after-tax contributions. If you do a direct rollover of the entire amount paid from the Plan to two or more destinations at the same time, you may be able to choose which destination receives the after-tax contributions.

Similarly, if you do a 60-day rollover to an IRA of only a portion of the payment made to you, the after-tax contributions are treated as rolled over last. For example, assume you are receiving a complete distribution of your benefit which totals \$12,000, of which \$2,000 is after-tax contributions. In this case, if you roll over \$10,000 to an IRA that is not a Roth IRA in a 60-day rollover, no amount is taxable because the \$2,000 amount not rolled over is treated as being after-tax contributions.

You may roll over to an employer plan all of a payment that includes after-tax contributions, but only through a direct rollover (and only if the receiving plan separately accounts for after-tax contributions and is not a governmental section 457(b) plan). You can do a 60-day rollover to an employer plan of part of a payment that includes after-tax contributions, but only up to the amount of the payment that would be taxable if not rolled over.

### PAYMENTS FROM DESIGNATED ROTH ACCOUNTS

#### How can a rollover affect my taxes?

After-tax contributions included in a payment from a designated Roth account are not taxed, but earnings might be taxed. The tax treatment of earnings included in the payment depends on whether the payment is a qualified distribution. If a payment is only part of your designated Roth account, the payment will include an allocable portion of the earnings in your designated Roth account.

If the payment from the Plan is not a qualified distribution and you do not do a rollover to a Roth IRA or a designated Roth account in an employer plan, you will be taxed on the earnings in the payment. If you are under age 59½, a 10% additional income tax on early distributions (generally, distributions made before age 59½) will also apply to the earnings (unless an exception applies). However, if you do a rollover, you will not have to pay taxes currently on the earnings and you will not have to pay taxes later on payments that are qualified distributions.

If the payment from the Plan is a qualified distribution, you will not be taxed on any part of the payment even if you do not do a rollover. If you do a rollover, you will not be taxed on the amount you roll over and any earnings on the amount you roll over will not be taxed if paid later in a qualified distribution.

A qualified distribution from a designated Roth account in the Plan is a payment made after you are age 59½ (or after your death or disability) and after you have had a designated Roth account in the Plan for at least 5 years. In applying the 5-year rule, you count from January 1st of the year your first contribution was made to the designated Roth account. However, if you did a direct rollover to a designated Roth account in the Plan from a designated Roth account in another employer plan, your participation will count from January 1st of the year your first contribution was made to the designated Roth account in the Plan or, if earlier, to the designated Roth account in the other employer plan.

#### What type of retirement accounts and plans may accept my rollover?

You may roll over the payment to either a Roth IRA (a Roth individual retirement account or Roth individual retirement annuity) or a designated Roth account in an employer plan (a tax-qualified plan, section 403(b) plan, or governmental section 457 plan) that will accept the rollover. The rules of the Roth IRA or employer plan that holds the rollover will determine your investment options, fees, and rights to payment from the Roth IRA or employer plan (for example, ROTH IRAs are not subject to spousal consent rules and Roth IRAs may not provide loans). Further, the amount rolled over will become subject to the tax rules that apply to the Roth IRA or the designated Roth account in the employer Plan. In general, these tax rules are similar to those described elsewhere in this document, but differences include:

- If you do a rollover to a Roth IRA, all of your Roth IRAs will be considered for purposes of determining whether you have satisfied the 5-year rule (counting from January 1st of the year for which your first contribution was made to any of your Roth IRAs).
- If you do a rollover to a Roth IRA, you must keep track of the aggregate amount of the after-tax contributions in all of your Roth IRAs (in order to determine your taxable income for later Roth IRA payments that are not qualified distributions).

- Eligible rollover distributions from a Roth IRA can only be rolled over to another Roth IRA.

#### How do I do a rollover?

There are two ways to do a rollover. You can either do a direct rollover or a 60-day rollover.

If you do a direct rollover, the Plan will make the payment directly to your Roth IRA or designated Roth account in an employer plan. You should contact the Roth IRA sponsor or the administrator of the employer plan for information on how to do a direct rollover.

If you do not do a direct rollover, you may still do a rollover by making a deposit within 60 days into a Roth IRA, whether the payment is a qualified or nonqualified distribution. In addition, you can do a rollover by making a deposit within 60 days into a designated Roth account in an employer plan if the payment is a nonqualified distribution and the rollover does not exceed the amount of the earnings in the payment. You cannot do a 60-day rollover to an employer plan of any part of a qualified distribution. If you receive a distribution that is a nonqualified distribution and you do not roll over an amount at least equal to the earnings allocable to the distribution, you will be taxed on the amount of those earnings not rolled over, including the 10% additional income tax on early distributions if you are under age 59½ (unless an exception applies).

If you do a direct rollover of only a portion of the amount paid from the Plan and the portion is paid to you at the same time, the portion directly rolled over consists first of earnings.

If you do not do a direct rollover and the payment is not a qualified distribution, the Plan is required to withhold 20% of the earnings (or a higher amount you elect) for federal income taxes (up to the amount of cash and property received other than employer stock). This means that, in order to roll over the entire payment in a 60-day rollover to a Roth IRA, you must use other funds to make up for the 20% withheld (or the higher amount you elected).

### ROLLOVERS OF BENEFICIARY/ALTERNATE PAYEE ACCOUNTS (for both designated Roth accounts and accounts not designated as Roth accounts)

Payments after death of the participant. If you receive a distribution after the participant's death that you do not roll over, the distribution will generally be taxed in the same manner described elsewhere in this notice. However, the 10% additional income tax for early distributions and the special rules for public safety officers do not apply, and the special rule described under the section, "Special Tax Treatment for Certain Lump-Sum Distributions," applies only if the participant was born on or before January 1, 1936. Note that whether a payment from a designated Roth account (see above) is a qualified distribution generally depends on when the participant first made a contribution to the designated Roth account in the Plan.

**If you are a surviving spouse.** If you receive a payment from the Plan as the surviving spouse of a deceased participant, you have the same rollover options that the participant would have had, as described elsewhere in this notice. In addition, if you choose to do a rollover to a traditional or Roth IRA, if applicable, you may treat the IRA as an inherited IRA or as your own. If you treat the IRA (either traditional or Roth) as an inherited IRA, payments from the IRA will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions. However, if the participant had started taking required minimum distributions, you will have to receive required minimum distributions from the inherited IRA. If the participant had not started taking required minimum distributions from the Plan, you will not have to start receiving required minimum distributions from the inherited IRA until the year the participant would have been age 75 (if born after December 31, 1959), 73 (if born after December 31, 1950, and before January 1, 1960), age 72 (if born after June 30, 1949 and before January 1, 1951), age 70½ (if born before July 1, 1949).

An IRA you treat as your own is treated like any other traditional IRA of yours, so that payments made to you before you are age 59½ will be subject to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions (unless an exception applies) and required minimum distributions from such IRA do not have to start until after you are age 75 (if born after December 31, 1959), 73 (if born after December 31, 1950, and before January 1, 1960), age 72 (if born after June 30, 1949 and before January 1, 1951), age 70½ (if born before July 1, 1949). An inherited Roth IRA you treat as your own is treated like any other Roth IRA of yours, so that you will not have to receive any required minimum distributions during your lifetime and earnings paid to you in a nonqualified distribution before you are age 59½ will be subject to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions (unless an exception applies).

**If you are a surviving beneficiary other than a spouse.** If you receive a payment from the Plan because of the participant's death and you are a designated beneficiary other than a surviving spouse, the only rollover option you have is to do a direct rollover to an inherited traditional or Roth IRA, as applicable. Payments from the inherited IRA (even if a nonqualified distribution from a Roth IRA) will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions. You will have to receive required minimum distributions from the inherited traditional or Roth IRA.

**Payments under a qualified domestic relations order.** If you are the spouse or former spouse of the participant who receives a payment from the Plan under a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO), you generally have the same options the participant would have (for example, you may roll over the payment to your own IRA or an eligible employer plan that will accept it). Payments under the QDRO will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions.

### **If I don't do a rollover, will I have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions?**

If you are under age 59½, you will have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions for any taxable payment from an employer plan (including amounts withheld for income tax) that you do not roll over, unless one of the exceptions listed below applies. In the case of designated Roth accounts, these taxable payments include earnings allocated to the payment that are not qualified distributions if you are under age 59½. This tax is in addition to the regular income tax on the payment not rolled over.

The 10% additional income tax does not apply to the following payments from an employer plan or IRA:

- Payments made after you separate from service if you will be at least age 55 in the year of the separation (does not apply to payments from an IRA).
- Payments that start after you separate from service if paid at least annually in equal or close to equal amounts over your life or life expectancy (or the lives or joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary) (exception applies to IRA without regard to separation from service).
- Payments from a governmental plan made after you separate from service if you are a qualified public safety employee and you (1) will be at least age 50 in the year of the separation or (2) have at least 25 years of service under the Plan.
- Payments from a tax-qualified plan or section 403(b) plan made after you separate from service if you provided firefighting services and you (1) will be at least age 50 in the year of the separation or (2) have at least 25 years of service under the Plan.
- Payments made due to disability.
- Payments made while you are terminally ill.
- Payments after your death.
- Payments from a governmental section 457(b) plan, unless the payment is from a separate account holding rollover contributions that were made to the Plan from a qualified plan, a section 403(b) plan, or an IRA.
- Corrective distributions of contributions that exceed tax law limitations.
- Payments made directly to the government to satisfy a federal tax levy.
- Cost of life insurance paid by the Plan.
- Payments made under a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO) (not applicable to IRA; special rule applies for IRAs under which, as part of a divorce or separation agreement, a tax-free transfer may be made directly to an IRA of a spouse or former spouse).
- Payments up to the amount of your deductible medical expenses (without regard to whether you itemize deductions for the taxable year).
- Certain payments made while you are on active duty if you were a member of a reserve component called to duty after September 11, 2001 for more than 179 days.
- Payments of certain automatic enrollment contributions requested to be withdrawn within 90 days of the first contribution.
- Phased retirement payments made to federal employees.
- Roth conversions/rollovers.
- Payments of up to \$5,000 made to you from a defined contribution plan if the payment is a qualified birth or adoption distribution.
- Payments of up to \$22,000 made in connection with federally declared disasters.
- Certain payments to a domestic abuse victim.

- IRA Only: (1) payments for qualified higher education expenses, (2) payments up to \$10,000 used in a qualified first-time home purchase, (3) payments for health insurance premiums after you have received unemployment compensation for 12 consecutive weeks (or would have been eligible to receive unemployment compensation but for self-employed status), and (4) payments of net income attributable to an excess IRA contribution made in a calendar year where such amounts are distributed by tax return deadline for the year (including extensions) and no deduction is allowed for the excess contribution.

Note: Eligible rollovers into a governmental section 457(b) plan that were previously subject to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions will continue to be subject to that penalty at the time of withdrawal unless you are over age 59½ or some other exception applies.

### **IN-PLAN ROLLOVER TO A DESIGNATED ROTH ACCOUNT**

You cannot roll over a taxable distribution to a designated Roth account in another employer's plan. However, you can convert the taxable distribution into a designated Roth account in the distributing Plan.

- If you roll over the taxable account to a designated Roth account in the same Plan, the amount rolled over (reduced by any after-tax amounts directly rolled over) will be taxed. However, the 10% additional income tax for early distributions will not apply (unless you take the amount rolled over out of the designated Roth account within the 5-year period that begins on January 1st of the year of the rollover).
- If you roll over taxable account to a designated Roth account in the same Plan, later payments from the designated Roth account that are qualified distributions will not be taxed (including earnings after the rollover). A qualified distribution from a designated Roth account is a payment made both after you attain age 59½ (or after your death or disability) and after you have had a designated Roth account in the Plan for a period of at least 5 years. The 5-year period described in the preceding sentence begins on January 1st of the year your first contribution was made to the designated Roth account. However, if you made a direct rollover to a designated Roth account in the Plan from a designated Roth account in a plan of another employer, the 5-year period begins on January 1st of the year your first contribution was made to the designated Roth account in the Plan or, if earlier, to the designated Roth account in the plan of the other employer. Payments from the designated Roth account that are not qualified distributions will be taxed to the extent allocable to earnings after the rollover, including the 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). As a Plan participant, you do not have to take required minimum distributions from a designated Roth account during your lifetime.
- If the Plan permits an in-plan Roth direct rollover option for amounts that are not otherwise distributable under the terms of the Plan, the Plan is not required to permit any other rollover or distribution options of such amounts. For more information, please contact your Plan administrator.

### **ROLLOVERS TO A ROTH IRA**

If you roll over the payment from the Plan to a Roth IRA, a special rule applies under which the amount of the payment rolled over (reduced by any after-tax amounts) will be taxed. However, the 10% additional income tax on early distributions will not apply (unless you take the amount rolled over out of the Roth IRA within 5 years, counting from January 1st of the year of the rollover).

If you roll over the payment to a Roth IRA, later payments from the Roth IRA that are qualified distributions will not be taxed (including earnings after the rollover). A qualified distribution from a Roth IRA is a payment made after you are age 59½ (or after your death or disability, or as a qualified first-time homebuyer distribution of up to \$10,000) and after you have had a Roth IRA for at least 5 years. In applying this 5-year rule, you count from January 1st of the year for which your first contribution was made to a Roth IRA. Payments from the Roth IRA that are not qualified distributions will be taxed to the extent of earnings after the rollover, including the 10% additional income tax for early distributions (unless an exception applies). You do not have to take required minimum distributions from a Roth IRA during your lifetime. For more information, see IRS Publication 590-A, Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs), and IRS Publication 590-B, Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs).

### **LOANS**

If you request a total surrender/withdrawal of your Plan account and you have an outstanding loan, the account balance will be reduced by the outstanding loan balance and if applicable outstanding loan security will be returned to the account. The loan offset amount is treated as a distribution to you at the time of the offset and

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will be taxed (including the 10% additional income tax on early distributions, unless an exception applies) (in the case of a nonqualified distribution from a designated Roth account, only to the extent of the earnings in the loan offset) unless you do a 60-day rollover (or are entitled to an extended rollover—see next section) in the amount of the loan offset to an IRA or employer plan (or in the amount of the nonqualified distribution earnings to a Roth IRA or designated Roth account in any employer plan). You may also choose to pay off the outstanding loan balance prior to the surrender by submitting payment in full.

### EXTENDED ROLLOVER DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN OFFSET LOANS

A participant who incurs a “qualified” plan loan offset will have until the participant’s tax return due date (including extensions) for the year in which the offset occurred to make a rollover of up to 100% of the amount of the qualified plan loan offset. A “qualified” plan loan offset is a plan loan offset that occurs as the direct result of termination of employment or the employer’s termination of the plan.

### EXTENDED ROLLOVER DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN DISTRIBUTIONS

A participant who incurs a distribution for a qualified birth or adoption, certain emergency expenses, domestic abuse, terminal illness, or federally declared disaster may rollover up to 100% of the amount of the distribution to a plan or an IRA within three years from the distribution.

### PAYMENT FROM A GOVERNMENTAL SECTION 457(B) PLAN

If the Plan is a governmental section 457(b) plan, the same rules described elsewhere in this notice generally apply, allowing you to roll over the payment to an IRA or an employer plan that accepts rollovers. One difference is that, if you do not do a rollover, you will not have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions from the Plan even if you are under age 59½ (unless the payment is from a separate account holding rollover contributions that were made to the Plan from a tax-qualified plan, a section 403(b) plan, or an IRA).

However, if you do a rollover to an IRA or to an employer plan that is not a governmental section 457(b) plan, a later distribution made before age 59½ will be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). Other differences include that you cannot do a rollover if the payment is due to an “unforeseeable emergency” and the special rules under “If you were born on or before January 1, 1936” do not apply.

### IF YOU RECEIVE A NONQUALIFIED DISTRIBUTION AND YOU WERE BORN BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1936

If you were born on or before January 1, 1936 and receive a lump-sum distribution (including a nonqualified distribution from a designated Roth account) that you do not roll over, special rules for calculating the amount of the tax on the payment (or the earnings in the payment for a nonqualified distribution) might apply to you (not applicable to governmental section 457(b) plan distributions). For more information, see IRS Publication 575, Pension and Annuity Income.

### ELIGIBLE RETIRED PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER

If the Plan is a governmental plan, you retired as a public safety officer, and your retirement was by reason of disability or was after normal retirement age, you can exclude from your taxable income Plan payments (including nonqualified distributions from designated Roth accounts) paid (either directly or indirectly) as premiums to an accident or health plan (or a qualified long-term care insurance contract) that your employer maintains for you, your spouse, or your dependents, up to a maximum of \$3,000 annually. For this purpose (but not for the 10% exception above), a public safety officer is a law enforcement officer, firefighter, chaplain, or member of a rescue squad or ambulance crew.

### NONRESIDENT ALIEN

If you are a nonresident alien and you do not do a direct rollover to a U.S. IRA or U.S. employer plan, instead of withholding 20%, the Plan is generally required to withhold 30% of the payment for federal income taxes. If the amount withheld exceeds the amount of tax you owe (as may happen if you do a 60-day rollover), you may request an income tax refund by filing Form 1040NR and attaching your Form 1042-S. See Form W-8BEN for claiming that you are entitled to a reduced rate of withholding under an income tax treaty. For more information, see also IRS Publication 519, U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens, and IRS Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities.

### OTHER SPECIAL RULES

- If a payment is one in a series of payments for less than 10 years, your choice whether to make a direct rollover will apply to all later payments in the series (unless you make a different choice for later payments).

- For a traditional IRA, if your payments for the year are less than \$200 (not including payments from a designated Roth account in the Plan), the Plan is not required to allow you to do a direct rollover and is not required to withhold for federal income taxes. However, you may do a 60-day rollover.
- For a designated Roth account, if your payments for the year (only including payments from the designated Roth account in the Plan) are less than \$200, the Plan is not required to allow you to do a direct rollover and is not required to withhold federal income taxes. However, you can do a 60-day rollover.
- Unless you elect otherwise, a mandatory cashout of more than \$1,000 will be directly rolled over to an IRA chosen by the Plan administrator. A mandatory cashout is a payment from a plan to a participant made before age 62 (or normal retirement age, if later) and without consent, where the participant’s benefit does not exceed \$7,000 (not including any amounts held under the plan as a result of a prior rollover made to the plan).
- You may have special rollover rights if you recently served in the U.S. Armed Forces. For more information, see IRS Publication 3, Armed Forces’ Tax Guide.
- You may have special rollover rights if you were affected by a federally declared disaster. For more information on special rollover rights related to disaster relief, see the IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

You may wish to consult with the Plan administrator or a professional tax adviser, before taking a payment from the Plan or IRA. Also, you can find more detailed information on the federal tax treatment of payments from employer plans and IRAs in: IRS Publication 575, Pension and Annuity Income; IRS Publication 590-A, Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs); IRS Publication 590-B, Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs); and IRS Publication 571, Tax-Sheltered Annuity Plans (403(b) Plans). These publications are available from a local IRS office, on the web at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### DISTRIBUTABLE EVENT

Generally a distributable event includes attainment of age 59½ (before January 1, 2020 attainment of age 70½ for governmental section 457(b) plans), severance from employment, disability or death. However, the employer’s plan may place additional restrictions that must also be met prior to a distribution. If you have met a distributable event, you may request a rollover of funds to any eligible plan type or a transfer to a like plan type. If you wish to move funds from your 403(b) account to another 403(b) account via a rollover distribution, and have made contributions prior to January 1, 1987, those amounts may lose a grandfathered status that can impact future required distributions. However, movement of funds from your 403(b) account to another 403(b) account via a transfer distribution may retain the status. For more information, please call 1-800-448-2542.

#### TRANSFERS

Transfers to a like plan will not be taxed or reported to the IRS. Generally, transfers are allowed regardless of employment status. However, your employer’s Plan may restrict you to authorized carriers. Transferred amounts generally become subject to the requirements of the plan receiving the transfer as though originally contributed to that plan.

For distributions occurring after January 1, 2015, under federal tax rules individuals cannot make more than one nontaxable 60-day IRA rollover within any one-year period, even if the rollovers involve different IRAs. The one-rollover per year limitation does not apply to a rollover to or from a qualified plan nor does it apply to IRA trustee-to-trustee transfers. IRA owners requesting a distribution for a rollover should be advised that they have the option to request a trustee-to-trustee transfer from one IRA to another IRA.

#### LIVING-BENEFIT OPTIONS

If you have chosen a living benefit option with your annuity contract, withdrawals from the contract will reduce the account value and may reduce or cancel benefits of the living-benefit option. Withdrawals exceeding the Maximum Annual Withdrawal Amount may reduce future Maximum Annual Withdrawal Amounts and reduce or eliminate any eligible income credit. Minimum distribution amounts calculated for each year will include the value of the living benefit. One year’s required minimum distribution based solely on the value of each individual account will not be treated as an excess withdrawal, but may reduce the Maximum Withdrawal Period and reduce or eliminate any eligible income credit. See your contract endorsement.

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## PRIVATE TAX-EXEMPT EMPLOYER DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS

Section 457(b) deferred compensation plans sponsored by private tax-exempt employers require participants to make an irrevocable election regarding the distribution of benefits. Commencement of payments cannot be later than April 1st of the year following the year you attain age 75 (if born after December 31, 1959), 73 (if born after December 31, 1950, and before January 1, 1960), age 72 (if born after June 30, 1949 and before January 1, 1951), age 70½ (if born before July 1, 1949) unless you are still working for the plan's sponsor. Please contact your plan administrator for more information. Distributions from a Section 457(b) plan sponsored by a private tax-exempt employer are not eligible for a rollover to another plan or IRA.

## INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS) AND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (DOL) GUIDANCE ON MARRIAGE

For federal tax law and ERISA purposes, under current IRS and DOL guidance (1) a same-sex marriage that was valid in the state or country it was entered into will be recognized by the IRS or DOL, regardless of the married couple's place of domicile; and (2) although a state may recognize domestic partnerships or civil unions, the terms "spouse," "husband and wife," "husband," and "wife" do not include individuals who have entered into a registered domestic partnership, civil union, or other similar formal relationship recognized under state law that is not denominated as a marriage under the laws of that state.

## QUALIFIED JOINT AND SURVIVOR ANNUITY AND QUALIFIED ANNUITY BENEFIT: FOR ERISA PLANS ONLY

This notice should be provided to you at least 30 days, but no more than 180 days, before your proposed distribution date.

If you are married, your retirement plan distributions will be paid to you in the form of a Qualified Joint and Survivor Annuity ("QJSA") unless you elect a different form of distribution. Under your QJSA, if your spouse survives you, the plan will pay him or her at least 50% of the amount the plan had been paying to you, on the same frequency as the payments to you. If you are not married, your benefit will be paid monthly over your life and will end upon your death unless you elect a different form of distribution. This benefit is referred to as a Qualified Annuity Benefit ("QAB").

The plan may satisfy the QJSA or QAB by using your vested account balance to purchase an annuity contract from an insurance company. The actual monthly payments made under the annuity contract will depend on the value of your account balance, annuity purchase rates used by the insurance company, your age, and if you are married, your spouse's age at the time the distribution begins.

The following table reflects the relative values of monthly payments from a Joint and Survivor Annuity and a Life Annuity, assuming a vested account balance of \$5,000 and an interest rate of 6%. This table is based on the Annuity 2000 Mortality tables. **The table is hypothetical and does not reflect the value of your individual benefit or the actual payments you or your beneficiaries would receive.** Please note that as the ages change, the payment amount will change. If none of the examples closely approximates your situation, you may obtain a more accurate value specific to your situation from your plan administrator or from your financial professional.

### Age at Benefit Starting Date

Annuitant	70	65	60	55	50	45	40	35
Spouse	65	70	55	60	45	50	35	40

### Monthly Payment

Annuitant Life Only	39.62	35.35	32.38	30.27	28.75	27.61	26.76	26.13
Joint and 50% Survivor	35.47	33.65	30.21	29.26	27.53	26.99	26.07	25.76
Joint and 75% Survivor	33.71	32.86	29.23	28.78	26.95	26.70	25.73	25.58

This QJSA or QAB requirement may not apply to smaller account balances (generally below \$5,000) and will not apply if you have elected another form of benefit. A partial withdrawal would be considered another form of benefit for this purpose. Other alternate forms of benefits that may be available under your employer's plan and under your plan investments may include:

## Annuity

An annuity can provide you with payments for your life or for your life and that of your beneficiary; payments for a specified period; payments for your lifetime with a minimum guaranteed period; or a continuation of payments to your surviving spouse that is different from the plan's percentage of the payments made to you. Generally, the more that the form of payment guarantees, such as a minimum period of payments, or payments to your surviving spouse or to another beneficiary, the more that specified benefit amount will cost. There are IRS rules that may limit the period during which payments may be made.

## Lump-Sum Distribution

If you elect a lump-sum distribution, your benefit will be paid to you in one payment. The amount of your benefit is the vested portion of your account balance as of the valuation date used to calculate your distribution.

## Installments

If you elect to receive your benefits in installments, you may specify the dollar amount and frequency of your payments. The period of time over which you receive these installments cannot be greater than your life expectancy or the joint life and last survivor expectancy of you and your designated beneficiary. There are other IRS rules that may further limit the period over which you receive payments.

In order to elect one of these alternative forms of benefits you must waive your right to the QJSA or QAB, and if you are married, your spouse must also consent in writing. In addition, this written consent must be witnessed by a Notary Public or by your Plan Administrator. You are entitled to 30 days (but no more than 180 days) within which to make this decision. Although you have at least 30 days to make this decision, under some circumstances, you may waive this minimum 30-day period, and if you submit a waiver of the QJSA or QAB less than 30 days after it is signed we will assume that you are waiving this notice period. Unless a waiver of the QJSA or QAB is made irrevocably, you have the right to revoke the waiver and execute another waiver at a later time, up to the time when the benefit payments have started. You also have the right to defer receiving a distribution, subject to the terms of your employer's plan as well as legal requirements that generally require distributions to commence upon the later of attainment of age 75 (if born after December 31, 1959), 73 (if born after December 31, 1950, and before January 1, 1960), age 72 (if born after June 30, 1949 and before January 1, 1951), age 70½ (if born before July 1, 1949), or after death.

The investment options available to you, the right to change investment options, and the fees imposed under the investment options will not be affected by your decision to defer distributions.

## Please send completed forms to:

Retirement Services Center  
P.O. Box 15648  
Amarillo, TX 79105-5648

## Overnight delivery:

Retirement Services Center  
1050 N. Western St.  
Amarillo, TX 79106-7011

Call **1-800-448-2542** for assistance.