# YOUR GROUP TERM LIFE BENEFITS



FOR EMPLOYEES OF:	
Trace Systems Inc.	
CLASS(ES):	
All Eligible Employees	
REVISION EFFECTIVE DATE:	

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# NOTICE(S)

THIS CERTIFICATE DESCRIBES THE BENEFITS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU. PLEASE READ YOUR CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY. BENEFITS ARE PROVIDED THROUGH A GROUP POLICY ISSUED IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA.

## FOR RESIDENTS OF FLORIDA

THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN FLORIDA.

## FOR RESIDENTS OF MARYLAND

THE GROUP INSURANCE POLICY PROVIDING COVERAGE UNDER THIS CERTIFICATE WAS ISSUED IN A JURISDICTION OTHER THAN MARYLAND AND MAY NOT PROVIDE ALL OF THE BENEFITS REQUIRED BY MARYLAND LAW.

## FOR RESIDENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA

THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN NORTH CAROLINA. PLEASE READ YOUR POLICY CAREFULLY.

## **FRAUD WARNING**

Any person who, with the intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violated state law.

Group Number: G000BCQH

If You have any questions about or concerns with this insurance, please first contact the Policyholder or Your benefits administrator. If, after doing so, You still have a question or concern, You may contact Us at:

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175 Call Toll-Free: 1-800-775-8805 www.mutualofomaha.com

When contacting Us, please have Your Policy number available.

After the above contact, and if Your problem is not resolved, You may contact the Virginia State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance at:

Bureau of Insurance – SCC P.O. Box 1157 Richmond, VA 23218

Phone: 1-800-552-7945 (in state only); 1-804-371-9741 (out of state); 1-877-310-6560

IF YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH YOUR CERTIFICATE, YOU MAY RETURN IT TO US WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER YOU RECEIVE IT, UNLESS A CLAIM HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN RECEIVED BY US UNDER YOUR CERTIFICATE. WE WILL REFUND WITHIN 30 DAYS OF OUR RECEIPT OF THE RETURNED CERTIFICATE ANY PREMIUM THAT HAS BEEN PAID AND THE CERTIFICATE WILL THEN BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE NEVER BEEN ISSUED. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT IF YOU ELECT TO RETURN THE CERTIFICATE FOR A REFUND OF PREMIUMS, LOSSES WHICH OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED UNDER YOUR CERTIFICATE WILL NOT BE COVERED.

# ABOUT LIVING BENEFITS (ACCELERATED BENEFIT)

LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS (BENEFITS PAYABLE BY REASON OF THE DEATH OF YOU) WILL BE REDUCED IF BENEFITS ARE PAID UNDER THE LIVING BENEFITS (ACCELERATED BENEFIT) PROVISION.

This disclosure is a brief summary of the Living Benefits (Accelerated Benefit) provision and its effect on life insurance benefits.

An eligible Insured Person may receive payment of part of the amount of life insurance in effect for the Insured Person while living if the Insured Person has been diagnosed with a terminal condition. A terminal condition means an injury or sickness that is expected to result in death within the number of months stated in the Certificate, as certified by a Physician. Please refer to the Living Benefits (Accelerated Benefit) provision of this Certificate for information regarding who is eligible for this benefit and the complete definition of Terminal Condition.

This benefit is included in the premium paid for life insurance. There is no separate premium charge for this benefit. The premium for life insurance does not change if benefits are paid under the Living Benefits (Accelerated Benefit) provision.

The Living Benefits offered under this contract **may or may not** qualify for favorable tax treatment under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended). Whether such benefits qualify depends on factors such as the life expectancy of You at the time benefits are accelerated or whether You use the benefits to pay for necessary long-term care expenses, such as nursing home care. If the Living Benefits qualify for favorable tax treatment, the benefits will be excludable from Your income and not subject to federal taxation. Tax laws relating to Living Benefits are complex. You are advised to consult with a qualified tax advisor about circumstances under which You could receive Living Benefits excludable from income under federal law.

Receipt of Living Benefits may affect Your, Your 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 Spouse's or Your family's eligibility for public assistance.



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## CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

## UNITED OF OMAHA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Home Office: Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company certifies that Group Policy Number GLUG-BCQH (the Policy) has been issued to Trace Systems Inc. (the Policyholder).

Insurance is provided for Employees of the Policyholder subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

Please read this Certificate carefully. The benefits described in this Certificate are effective only if You are eligible for the insurance, become insured and remain insured as described in this Certificate and according to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

If the provisions of this Certificate and those of the Policy do not agree, the provisions of the Policy will apply. The Policy is part of a contract between United of Omaha Life Insurance Company and the Policyholder, and may be amended, changed or terminated without Your consent or notice to You.

Corporate Secretary

This Certificate replaces any certificate previously issued under the Policy.

Chief Executive Officer

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#### **SCHEDULE**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

## CLASS(ES)

All Eligible Employees

## LIFE INSURANCE FOR YOU (THE EMPLOYEE)

Your amount of life insurance is \$50,000.

Your amount of life insurance is subject to any reductions indicated in the Benefit Reductions provision in this Schedule. If You have questions regarding the amount of Your life insurance, You may contact the Policyholder.

# ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D) INSURANCE FOR YOU

Your amount of accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) insurance is equal to Your amount of life insurance.

Your amount of AD&D insurance is also referred to as the Principal Sum. Your amount of AD&D insurance is subject to any reductions indicated in the Benefit Reductions provision of this Schedule. If You have questions regarding the amount of Your AD&D insurance, You may contact the Policyholder.

#### **EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY**

Evidence of Insurability is not required for any amount of insurance under the Policy, unless otherwise stated in this Certificate.

## **BENEFIT REDUCTIONS**

As You grow older, the amount of life and AD&D insurance for You will be reduced according to the following schedule:

At the Age of:	The Original Amount of Insurance Will Reduce to:
65	65%
70	50%

Reductions become effective on the first day of the Policy month that coincides with or follows the day You reach the specified age. Any reduced amount of insurance will round to the nearest dollar.

If You are age 65 or older on the date insurance becomes effective, the amount of life and AD&D insurance for You will be reduced as shown above. Thereafter, the amount of life and AD&D insurance will continue to reduce in accord with the schedule above.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Actively Working, Active Work means an Employee is performing the normal duties of his or her regular job for the Policyholder on a regular and continuous basis 30 or more hours each week. An Employee will be considered to be actively working on any day that is a regular paid holiday or day of vacation, or regular or scheduled non-working day, provided the Employee was actively working on the last preceding regular work day.

Disability Elimination Period means the period of time that must be satisfied before You are eligible to continue benefits, beginning on the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred. The length of the disability elimination period is shown in the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision.

*Eligibility Waiting Period* means a continuous period of Active Work that an Employee must satisfy before becoming eligible for insurance as described in the When an Employee Becomes Eligible for Insurance (Eligibility Waiting Period) provision.

Partial Disability, Partially Disabled means that, because of an Injury or Sickness lasting longer than 12 months, You are unable to perform the normal duties of Your regular job for the Policyholder on a regular or continuous basis, but are able to satisfy all other requirements of the Active Work definition.

Recurrent Disability means a Total Disability which is related to or due to the same cause(s) of a prior Total Disability for which You were approved for coverage under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision of the Policy.

*Total Disability, Totally Disabled* means that because of an Injury or Sickness You are completely and continuously unable to perform any work or engage in any occupation.

## WHEN AN EMPLOYEE BECOMES ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE (ELIGIBILITY WAITING PERIOD)

An Employee who is Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the Policy Effective Date.

An Employee who is hired after the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the day the Employee begins Active Work.

The day on which an Employee becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy may not be the same as the day on which insurance begins. The When Insurance Begins provision describes the day on which insurance begins.

#### CONTINUITY OF INSURANCE UPON TRANSFER OF INSURANCE CARRIER

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

If the Policy replaces a Prior Plan, the Policy will provide insurance for an Employee who:

- a) was insured under the Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date;
- b) is otherwise eligible under the Policy, but is not Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date due to:
  - 1. Injury or Sickness; or
  - 2. a leave of absence protected under:
    - a. the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and any amendments thereto; or
    - b. any other applicable federal or state law that allows for continuation of insurance in certain instances;
- c) is not eligible for benefits or continuation of insurance under any provision of the Prior Plan;
- d) is not a retired Employee; and
- e) is not Totally Disabled on the Policy Effective Date.

Insurance under this provision is subject to the following conditions:

- a) insurance under the Policy may not exceed Your amount of insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date;
- b) the benefit payable under the Policy will be the amount which would have been paid by the Prior Plan had insurance remained in-force under the Prior Plan, less the amount of any benefit payable under the Prior Plan;
- c) the Policyholder must notify Us in writing prior to the Policy Effective Date of the amount of Your insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date;
- d) insurance is subject to uninterrupted payment of premium to Us when due; and
- e) insurance is subject to any reductions shown in the Schedule and all other terms and conditions of the Policy.

We reserve the right to request any information We need from the Policyholder to determine whether the conditions necessary to be eligible for insurance under this provision have been satisfied.

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of:

- a) the day the Employee returns to Active Work for the Policyholder or begins employment with any other employer;
- b) the last day the Employee would have been insured under the Prior Plan, if the Prior Plan had not ended or terminated;
- c) the day the Employee's insurance under the Policy ends for any reason shown in the When Insurance Ends provision; or
- d) the last day of the twelfth month following the Policy Effective Date.

If an Employee is eligible for insurance under this provision, the Employee will not be eligible for insurance under any continuation provision or the Portability provision in this Certificate.

If Your insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You may be able to obtain insurance under the Conversion provision.

Persons who are not eligible for insurance under this provision may be eligible to apply for conversion of insurance under the Prior Plan and should contact the Policyholder for additional information.

## WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS

An eligible Employee will become insured on the latest of the day:

- a) the Employee begins Active Work; or
- b) the Employee submits a Written Request to enroll for insurance, if applicable.

If the Employee is not Actively Working on the day insurance would otherwise begin, insurance will begin on the day the Employee returns to Active Work.

## **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS**

This provision does not apply if the Employee is eligible for coverage under the Continuity of Insurance Upon Transfer of Insurance Carrier provision.

Insurance for an Employee who is:

- a) Totally Disabled:
- b) confined in a Hospital as an inpatient;
- c) confined in any institution or facility other than a Hospital; or
- d) confined at home and under the care or supervision of a Physician;

on the day insurance is to begin will not take effect until the day after the Employee has completed one full day of Active Work.

Insurance for an Employee who is not Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date due to Injury or Sickness will not take effect until the day after the Employee has completed one full day of Active Work.

#### **CHANGES TO INSURANCE BENEFITS**

Any allowable change in Your class or amount of insurance, whether requested by You or the Policyholder, or as a result of the terms of the Policy, will take effect on the first day of the month that follows the date of the request or the change.

For any increase in insurance, We will use the Policyholder's records and/or the premium We have received to verify that the amount of insurance being requested is the appropriate insurance amount for which the Insured Person is eligible under the terms of the Policy.

If You are not Actively Working on the day any increase in insurance would otherwise take effect, the increase will become effective the first day of the month that follows the day after You return to Active Work.

## REINSTATEMENT OF INSURANCE

You may be eligible to reinstate insurance that has ended in accordance with this provision.

Reinstated insurance will take effect on the date You become eligible for insurance. If You are not Actively Working on the day the reinstated insurance would otherwise take effect, insurance will become effective on the day after You return to Active Work.

The following reinstatement option(s) is/are available:

## **Involuntary Reduction in Hours**

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to an involuntary reduction of hours worked, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee returns to Active Work and there was no break in employment with the Policyholder after the date insurance ended.

## Rehired Employee Due to Layoff or Termination

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to layoff or termination of employment with the Policyholder, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee is rehired and returns to Active Work within 90 days from the date insurance ended.

## Rehired Employee Due to Leave of Absence

If insurance ended due to an approved leave of absence, insurance may be reinstated within 90 days from the date insurance ended without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period upon return to Active Work. If insurance ended due to military leave, insurance may be reinstated upon return to Active Work immediately after discharge from active duty without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period.

## **Transfer From Portability or Conversion**

If insurance was obtained under the Portability or Conversion provision while an Employee was not Actively Working, insurance may be reinstated up to the amount of insurance that was in effect on the last day of Active Work. Any insurance provided through the Portability provision will terminate upon reinstatement of insurance as an Actively Working Employee.

## WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

Insurance will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) an Insured Person is no longer eligible for insurance under the Policy; or
- b) an Insured Person begins active duty in the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves of any state or country (except for temporary active duty of 31 days or less).

Insurance will also end:

- a) on the day the Policy terminates; or
- b) in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

#### NOTICE TO YOU WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

The Policyholder is required to notify You when insurance under the Policy ends if:

- a) You cease to be eligible for insurance under the Policy; or
- b) the Policy is discontinued and is not replaced by another policy or plan with no interruption in coverage.

Notice shall be provided within 15 days from the date insurance ends for You, and shall include information about any options available to continue or obtain insurance.

#### **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE ENDS**

If insurance for You would otherwise end, You may be able to continue or obtain insurance under one of the following provisions:

- a) Continuation of Insurance for Layoff or Leave
- b) Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness
- c) Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability
- d) Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium
- e) Portability
- f) Conversion

## CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR LAYOFF OR LEAVE

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

You may be able to continue insurance from the day You cease to be Actively Working in the event of:

- a) a temporary involuntary layoff; or
- b) a leave of absence approved by the Policyholder due to any personal reason.

In addition, the federal Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and any amendments thereto, as well as other applicable federal or state laws, may allow continuation of insurance in certain instances for leaves of absence, layoff or termination. Contact the Policyholder for additional information regarding any other continuation options that may be available.

Any insurance continued under this provision will be subject to the following conditions:

- a) insurance may not be continued beyond the earliest of:
  - 1. 12 months for Your temporary involuntary layoff;
  - 2. 12 months for Your leave of absence; or
  - 3. the time period allowed by FMLA, USERRA or applicable federal or state law that allows for continuation;
- b) the amount of insurance may not be increased while insurance is continued under this provision;
- c) We receive notification of the approved layoff or leave from the Policyholder within 31 days from the date You cease Active Work; and
- d) We continue to receive premium payment when due (premiums must be paid by You or on Your behalf).

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) the time period in a) in the preceding paragraph has been satisfied;
- b) Your temporary involuntary layoff becomes permanent, if insurance is continued under this provision due to Your temporary involuntary layoff;
- c) You return to Active Work;
- d) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder; or
- e) the Policy terminates.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If continued insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You may be able to continue or obtain insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision, Portability provision or Conversion provision.

If Your leave is due to an Injury or Sickness which may result in Your Total Disability, We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

See the Options for Payment of Premium for Continued Insurance provision for premium payment options.

#### CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR INJURY OR SICKNESS

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

When Your insurance would otherwise end due to Your Injury or Sickness, You may be able to continue insurance under this provision. In such circumstances, the total continuation period under this provision and the Continuation of Insurance for Layoff or Leave provision, if You were previously insured under this provision, shall not exceed 12 months.

Insurance may be continued under this provision if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a) We receive notification of Your Injury or Sickness from the Policyholder within 31 days from the date You cease Active Work or Your insurance would otherwise end; and
- b) We continue to receive timely premium payment when due (premiums must be paid by You or on Your behalf).

The amount of insurance may not be increased while insured under this provision.

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) that is 12 months from the day You cease Active Work;
- b) You return to Active Work:
- c) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder; or
- d) the Policy terminates.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If continued insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You may be able to continue or obtain insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision, Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision, Portability provision or Conversion provision.

If Your leave is due to an Injury or Sickness which may result in Your Total Disability, We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

See the Options for Payment of Premium for Continued Insurance provision of this Certificate for premium payment options.

## **CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR PARTIAL DISABILITY**

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

When You are no longer eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision, You may be able to continue insurance under this provision due to Your Partial Disability.

Insurance may be continued under this provision if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a) You are Partially Disabled, but not Totally Disabled;
- b) We receive notification of Your Partial Disability from the Policyholder within 31 days from the date You are no longer eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision; and
- c) We continue to receive timely premium payment when due (premiums must be paid by You or on Your behalf).

The amount of insurance may not be increased while insured under this provision.

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) You return to Active Work;
- b) Your Injury or Sickness results in Your Total Disability and You are eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision;
- c) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder; or
- d) the Policy terminates.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If Your insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You may be able to obtain insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision, Portability provision or Conversion provision.

If Your Partial Disability may result in Your Total Disability, We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

See the Options for Payment of Premium for Continued Insurance provision of this Certificate for premium payment options.

## CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR TOTAL DISABILITY WITH WAIVER OF PREMIUM

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

This provision only allows for continuation of life insurance under the Policy. Accidental death and dismemberment insurance may not be continued under this provision.

When Your insurance ends under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision or Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision, You may be able to continue insurance under this provision due to Your Total Disability. After satisfaction of the Disability Elimination Period, and upon submission of proof of Total Disability acceptable to Us, Your insurance may be continued without payment of premium until insurance ends in accordance with this provision.

We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

Insurance may be continued under this provision if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a) You are Totally Disabled;
- b) You were under age 60 at the time You became Totally Disabled;
- c) the Disability Elimination Period is satisfied; and
- d) proof of Total Disability is provided to Us (as described below in this provision).

The amount of insurance may not be increased while insured under this provision.

If You are age 60 or older and become Totally Disabled, You may be able to obtain insurance under the Portability or Conversion provision.

## **About the Disability Elimination Period**

The Disability Elimination Period is a period of 9 consecutive months. Any period of time in which You are insured under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision will apply toward satisfaction of the Disability Elimination Period.

## **Proof of Total Disability**

You must submit to Us acceptable proof of Total Disability approved by Our authorized representative in Our home office before the end of the Disability Elimination Period or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter.

In order to confirm that You are Totally Disabled, We have the right to have You examined by a Physician of Our choice at Our expense.

If You are approved for continuation of insurance under this provision, We will periodically require proof of continuing Total Disability. We may have You examined by a Physician of Our choice at any time during the first two years of Total Disability and once a year thereafter at Our expense. If an additional examination is required due to questionable or disputed results of an examination, any additional examination may be at Your expense.

# When Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability is Approved

We will notify You in writing if Your proof of Total Disability is approved by Us. Any premium paid for Your insurance from the day You ceased to be Actively Working will be refunded in a lump sum within 31 days of Your approval.

Once You are approved for insurance under this provision, a Recurrent Disability will be treated as part of Your prior claim and You will not be required to satisfy another Disability Elimination Period if:

- a) You were continuously insured under the Policy for the period between Your prior claim and Your Recurrent Disability: and
- b) Your Recurrent Disability occurs within 6 months of the end of Your prior claim.

# When Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability is Not Approved

We will notify You in writing if Your proof of Total Disability is not approved by Us. If at any time while You are insured under this provision We determine that You are no longer Totally Disabled, We will notify You in writing that You are no longer eligible to continue insurance under this provision.

If You are ineligible for insurance under this provision or Your insurance under this provision ends, You will have 31 days from the date of Our notice to submit a Written Request for insurance under the Portability or Conversion provision, if You have not returned to Active Work or You are not eligible for insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision.

# When Insurance Under this Provision Ends

Insurance under this provision will end on the day:

- a) You are eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision; or
- b) You return to Active Work.

Insurance under this provision will also end on the earliest of the day:

- a) You are no longer Totally Disabled;
- b) that is 90 days after the date of Our request to You for proof of Total Disability if such proof has not been received by Us;
- c) You fail to obtain an examination from a Physician of Our choice as described in the Proof of Total Disability provision by a date established by Us;
- d) You reach age 65; or
- e) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

## **PORTABILITY**

You have the right to continue receiving group life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance under this provision if You are under age 70 when insurance would otherwise end for any of the following reasons:

- a) You cease to be Actively Working and are not eligible for insurance under any other continuation provision in this Certificate (if applicable);
- b) Your employment with the Policyholder ends;
- c) You retire; or
- d) the Policy terminates and the Policyholder does not obtain group life coverage within 31 days.

If an Insured Person requests to continue to receive group insurance under this provision, the amount of insurance shall not exceed the lesser of:

- a) the amount in effect under the Policy on the day insurance ended; or
- b) \$500,000.

The amount of insurance may not be increased after insurance continues under this provision.

If You continue to receive group insurance under this provision, You can not continue insurance under any other continuation provision of the Policy (if applicable).

## The Group Term Life Insurance Portability Policy

Group insurance continued under this provision is available under another group term life insurance policy (the "Portability Policy") issued by Us, as available at the time insurance under this provision is requested. If You become insured under the Portability Policy, You will receive a certificate of insurance that describes the terms and conditions of coverage under the Portability Policy.

The Portability Policy may not provide all the same benefits or have all the same terms and conditions that are included in the Policy. In addition, the premium rates charged for insurance under the Portability Policy may not be the same as the

premium rates charged for insurance under the Policy. The benefits and premium rates of Our Portability Policy are described on Our portability request form. You may contact the Policyholder or Us to obtain Our portability request form.

The continued group insurance coverage under the Portability Policy is available as a result of portability rights that arise solely from the Policy, as arranged for You as an employee welfare benefit subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

# Notice of the Right to Continue Group Insurance Under this Provision

The portability period is the period of time that is 31 days from the date insurance under the Policy ends ("Portability Period"). When insurance under the Policy ends, notice of the right to continue receiving insurance under this provision may be given. If notice is not given at least 15 days after the start of the Portability Period, an extension of the period of time in which to apply for a Portability Policy will be allowed. Any extension of the Portability Period will expire on the earlier of:

- a) 15 days after notice has been received; or
- b) 60 days after the end of the Portability Period, even if notice is not received.

## **How to Continue Group Insurance Under this Provision**

You must submit a Written Request for insurance under the Portability Policy. The Written Request and the initial premium due must be submitted within the Portability Period.

#### **CONVERSION**

This provision allows for conversion of life insurance. Conversion insurance is not available for accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

## When Employment or Class Membership Ends

If group life insurance ends because Your employment or membership in a class (as shown under Class(es) on the Schedule) ends, You may apply for an individual policy of life insurance other than term insurance ("Conversion Policy").

The Conversion Policy issued under this provision will be:

- a) any type of individual policy of life insurance then customarily issued by Us for purposes of conversion, except term insurance; and
- b) issued without any supplemental benefits.

Premium shall be based on the standard premium rate for the Conversion Policy according to the amount of insurance, class of risk, gender and age of the applicant on the date the Conversion Policy takes effect.

The Conversion Policy will become effective on the later of the date of issue or 31 days after the date insurance under the Policy ended.

## When the Policy or a Class Terminates

You may apply for a Conversion Policy if insurance under the Policy ends due to termination of the Policy or termination of Your class (as shown under Class(es) on the Schedule), provided You have been insured under the Policy or any Prior Plan for at least 5 consecutive years. Your Dependent child(ren) may apply for a Conversion Policy if insurance under the Policy ends due to termination of the Policy or termination of Your class (as shown under Class(es) in the Schedule), regardless of the amount of time You have been insured under the Policy.

The Conversion Policy issued under this provision will be:

- a) any type of individual policy of life insurance then customarily issued by Us for purposes of conversion, except term insurance;
- b) issued without any supplemental benefits;
- c) for an amount of life insurance that does not exceed the lesser of:
  - 1. \$10,000; or
  - 2. the amount of insurance that ended under the Policy less the amount of any other group life insurance for which the applicant becomes eligible within 31 days after insurance under the Policy ended.

Premium shall be based on the standard premium rate for the Conversion Policy according to the amount of insurance, class of risk, gender and age of the applicant on the date the Conversion Policy takes effect.

The Conversion Policy will become effective on the later of the date of issue or 31 days after the date insurance under the Policy ended.

# Notice of the Right to Obtain Insurance Under this Provision

The conversion period is the period of time that is 31 days from the date insurance under the Policy ends or reduces ("Conversion Period"). When insurance ends under the Policy, notice of the right to convert may be given. If notice is not given at least 15 days after the start of the Conversion Period, an extension of the period of time in which to apply for a Conversion Policy will be allowed. Any extension will expire on the earlier of:

- a) 15 days after notice has been received; or
- b) 60 days after the end of the Conversion Period, even if notice is not received.

If You are entitled to obtain a Conversion Policy and die within 31 days after insurance under the Policy ends or reduces, We will pay the amount of life insurance which could have been converted, even if You did not apply for a Conversion Policy.

## **How to Request Insurance Under this Provision**

Insurance is available without providing Evidence of Insurability. You must submit a Written Request for a Conversion Policy. The Written Request and the initial premium due must be submitted to Us within the Conversion Period.

#### **Conversion Insurance and Your Return to Active Work**

If You are issued a Conversion Policy and again become eligible for insurance under the Policy, insurance under the Policy will become effective (subject to all eligibility requirements) only if any Conversion Policy(ies) is/are surrendered to Us.

#### PREMIUM PAYMENTS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### OPTIONS FOR PAYMENT OF PREMIUM FOR CONTINUED INSURANCE

When insurance is continued We must receive premium payment when due for insurance to remain effective, unless otherwise stated or allowed in the Policy. Premium payment may be made in the following ways:

- a) the Policyholder may pay the premiums; or
- b) You may pay premium to the Policyholder who will then submit premium to Us.

Contact the Policyholder to determine which option is available to You.

Payment of premium does not guarantee eligibility for coverage.

#### **GRACE PERIOD**

All premiums must be paid within the grace period. There is a grace period of 31 days for payment of premiums. This means that, except for the initial premium, if premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, the premium must be paid in the 31-day period that follows. We will consider premium to be paid on the date We receive it.

Insurance will stay in force during the grace period, unless You or the Policyholder provides Us with written notice that insurance will terminate during the grace period. If We receive such notice, insurance will terminate on the date requested.

If any premium due is not paid during the grace period, insurance will end on the last day of the grace period. If insurance ends, it may be reinstated as described in the Reinstatement of Insurance provision.

## **PREMIUM CHANGES**

If You request a change in the amount of insurance, the Policyholder will provide You with notice of Your new premium amount upon request if You are responsible for the payment of premiums for insurance.

If there is a change in the amount of the premium for insurance in accordance with the terms of the Policy, or a change in the amount of insurance as the result of a request of the Policyholder, the Policyholder will provide You with notice of the change at least 15 days prior to the date of the change if You are responsible for the payment of premiums for insurance.

Premium amounts will change if:

- a) You reach an age at which benefits are reduced as described in the Benefit Reductions provision in the Schedule; or
- b) premium rates under the Policy are changed.

#### LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **BENEFITS**

In the event of death while insured under the Policy, We will pay the amount of life insurance in effect at the time of death for You. Benefits payable by reason of Your death will be paid to Your beneficiary.

#### **BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION**

At the time You elect(ed) insurance under the Policy or any Prior Plan, a beneficiary should be designated. Beneficiary records will be kept by the Policyholder, Plan Administrator or the office where beneficiary records for the Policy are kept. The most current beneficiary designation in effect under a Prior Plan will be accepted as a beneficiary designation under the Policy.

If You have not designated a beneficiary, or no beneficiary survives You, in the event of Your death, benefits will be paid to:

- a) Your surviving Spouse; if none, then to
- b) Your surviving natural and/or adopted child(ren), in equal shares; if none, then to
- c) Your surviving parent(s), in equal shares; if none, then to
- d) Your estate.

Certain states are community property states. If You live in a community property state and You designate someone other than Your Spouse as a beneficiary, state law may require that Your Spouse consent to such designation. If You do not obtain Your Spouse's consent to the designation, then such designation may not be effective. Community property states as of the Policy Effective Date include: Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Washington and Wisconsin.

#### **BENEFICIARY CHANGE**

Your beneficiary may be changed, subject to any restrictions or limitations in the Policy. To make a change, a Written Request should be provided to the Policyholder, Plan Administrator or to the office where beneficiary records for the Policy are kept. If You do not know where the records are kept, then You may send the Written Request to Us. When received by the Policyholder, the change will take effect as of the date the Written Request is signed. The change will not apply to any payments or other action taken by Us before the Written Request was received.

## **FACILITY OF PAYMENT**

We may pay an amount of up to \$2,000 to any person or entity that has incurred expenses related to Your death and subsequent burial. An amount, if paid, will be deducted from the amount of life insurance benefits payable.

# LIVING BENEFITS (ACCELERATED BENEFIT)

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

This section only applies to the life insurance offered by the Policy. Accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) insurance is not included under this section.

The benefits received under this section may be taxable. Receipt of Living Benefits may adversely affect eligibility for Medicaid or other government benefits or entitlements. You should consult Your personal tax advisor or the Social Security Administration before requesting Living Benefits.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Living Benefits means an advance payment of part of Your life insurance death benefit.

*Terminal Condition* means an Injury or Sickness that is expected to result in Your death within the next 12 months as certified by an attending Physician's written statement.

#### **ABOUT LIVING BENEFITS**

If You incur a Terminal Condition while insured under the Policy, You, Your Spouse, Your Domestic Partner or Your legal representative may submit a Written Request for Living Benefits.

The maximum amount of Living Benefits available is 75% of the amount of life insurance for You in effect at the time of the request or \$37,500, whichever is less. The minimum amount is 10% of the amount of life insurance in effect for You at the time of the request or \$1,000, whichever is greater.

We will pay Living Benefits to You in a lump sum, provided You are living at the time payment is made. If You elect to receive Living Benefits but die prior to receipt of such benefit, We will cancel the election and pay the life insurance benefit in accordance with the terms of the Policy.

The amount of life insurance benefits payable for You in the event of death will be reduced by the amount of Living Benefits paid for You. Payment of Living Benefits has no effect on accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) insurance benefits.

#### **APPLYING FOR LIVING BENEFITS**

To apply for Living Benefits, You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or Your legal representative must provide Us:

- a) a Written Request for Living Benefits;
- b) satisfactory proof of Your Terminal Condition, including an attending Physician's written statement; and
- c) a statement of consent from any beneficiary(ies) or assignee(s).

You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or Your legal representative will receive information at the time of benefit payment about the amount of life insurance remaining in force after payment of Living Benefits.

## **CONDITIONS OF LIVING BENEFITS**

Living Benefits are subject to the following conditions:

- a) Living Benefits are payable for You only once under the Policy;
- b) You can request Living Benefits in any \$1,000 increment, subject to the limits specified in this section;
- c) Premium must continue to be paid on the full amount of life insurance, unless subject to waiver of premium under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision;
- d) The amount of insurance You may obtain under the Conversion provision will be reduced by the amount of Living Benefits paid for You; and
- e) The Portability provision is not available for You after payment of Living Benefits.

## WHEN LIVING BENEFITS ARE NOT AVAILABLE

Living Benefits are not available:

- a) when You have irrevocably assigned life insurance under the Policy;
- b) if such benefits were paid under a Prior Plan;
- c) when all or a portion of the life insurance benefits under the Policy are to be paid to a former Spouse or Domestic Partner as part of a divorce agreement or pursuant to a court order;
- d) for any Terminal Condition caused by a suicide attempt or an intentionally self-inflicted Injury;
- e) during any Conversion or Portability Period;
- f) if the required premium is due and unpaid on the date the Written Request for Living Benefits is made;
- g) if requested after insurance under the Policy ends; or
- h) if requested after the Policy terminates.

#### ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFITS RIDER

This rider is made a part of group Policy GLUG-BCQH. It is subject to all of the Policy provisions which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this rider.

This rider is effective the later of January 1, 2021 or the day You become insured under the Policy.

Capitalized terms used in this rider have the meanings assigned to them in this rider or in the other sections of the Policy.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Accident means an external, sudden, unexpected, unforeseeable and unintended event, independent of Sickness and all other causes. Accident does not include Sickness, disease, bodily or mental infirmity or medical or surgical treatment thereof, or bacterial or viral infection, regardless of how contracted. Accident does include bacterial infection that is the natural and foreseeable result of an accidental external bodily Injury or accidental food poisoning.

Airbag means any factory-installed, inflatable, supplemental restraint device which meets published federal safety standards.

Automobile means a licensed private passenger motor vehicle for use on public roadways.

*Intoxicated* means having a blood alcohol level, at the time of the Accident, which equals or exceeds the legal limit for operating a motor vehicle in the jurisdiction in which the loss occurs.

Loss of a Hand or Foot means Severance of at least four whole fingers from one hand or Severance of the foot above the ankle joint.

Loss of Hearing means total and permanent loss of hearing in both ears which cannot be corrected by any means.

Loss of Sight means total and permanent loss of sight of the eye which cannot be corrected by any means.

Loss of Speech means total and permanent loss of audible communication which cannot be corrected by any means.

Loss of a Thumb and Index Finger means Severance at or proximal to the metacarpophalangeal joints (the joints that connect the fingers and the hand).

Participation in a Riot means actively participating in a tumultuous disturbance of the peace by three or more persons assembling together of their own authority with intent to mutually assist one another in an illegal or legal act.

Seat Belt means a factory-installed lap and shoulder seat belt or other restraint device which meets published federal safety standards.

Severance means the complete separation and dismemberment of the part from the body.

Traveling on Business of the Policyholder means any trip made by You on assignment by or with authorization of the Policyholder for the purpose of furthering the business of the Policyholder. If this trip is made on a private aircraft, then the aircraft must:

- a) have a current and valid Federal Aviation Administration of the United States (FAA) standard airworthiness certificate; and
- b) be operated by a person holding a current and valid FAA pilot's certificate authorizing him or her to operate the aircraft.

#### **EXPOSURE AND DISAPPEARANCE**

An Insured Person will be presumed to have died, for the purposes of accidental death and dismemberment insurance, if after the forced landing, stranding, sinking or wrecking of a vehicle:

- a) the Insured Person disappears;
- b) the Insured Person's body is not found; and
- c) a valid death certificate is issued by a court of appropriate jurisdiction.

#### **BENEFITS**

#### **Basic Benefits**

In the event of a loss while insured under the Policy, We will pay accidental death and dismemberment benefits based upon the amount of the Principal Sum in effect at the time of the loss for You. Benefits for Your insurance will be payable to You or to the beneficiary for life insurance under the Policy, unless otherwise indicated in a benefit provision included in this section.

If an Insured Person is Injured or dies as a result of an Accident, We will pay the benefit shown in the following Table. If an Accident causes more than one loss shown in the Table, We will pay only the largest benefit.

## Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefits Table (the "Table")

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Loss	Benefit	
Loss of Life	Principal Sum	
Loss of Both Hands	Principal Sum	
Loss of Both Feet	Principal Sum	
Loss of Entire Sight of Both Eyes	Principal Sum	
Loss of One Hand and One Foot	Principal Sum	
Loss of One Hand and Entire Sight of One Eye	Principal Sum	
Loss of One Foot and Entire Sight of One Eye	Principal Sum	
Loss of Speech and Hearing (both ears)	Principal Sum	
Loss of Entire Sight of One Eye	One-half Principal Sum	
Loss of Speech or Hearing (both ears)	One-half Principal Sum	
Loss of One Hand or One Foot	One-half Principal Sum	
Loss of Thumb and Index Finger of same Hand	One-fourth Principal Sum	

## Airbag Benefit

We will pay a benefit amount of 10% of the Principal Sum, up to a maximum of \$5,000 if:

- a) an Insured Person was Injured in an Accident while driving or riding in the front seat of an Automobile directly behind an Airbag;
- b) the Insured Person's death resulted from such Injury; and
- c) a copy of the police accident report is submitted with the claim.

We will not pay this benefit if the Accident occurs when the:

- a) Automobile was being used for racing, stunting, or exhibition work;
- b) Airbag was disengaged; or
- c) Insured Person was breaking any laws of the jurisdiction in which the Accident occurred.

This benefit amount is payable in addition to any other applicable benefits under the Policy.

#### **Common Carrier Benefit**

We will pay a benefit amount of 100% of the Principal Sum, up to a maximum of \$1,000,000 if:

- a) an Insured Person was Injured in an Accident while riding as a fare-paying passenger in any public air, land or water conveyance provided by a common carrier primarily for passenger service; and
- b) the Insured Person's death resulted from such Injury.

We will not pay this benefit if the Insured Person was an operator or member of the crew on the common carrier conveyance at the time of the Injury. This benefit amount is payable in addition to any other applicable benefits under the Policy.

#### **Seat Belt Benefit**

We will pay a benefit amount of 10% of the Principal Sum, up to a maximum of \$5,000 if:

- a) an Insured Person was Injured in an Accident while driving or riding in an Automobile and wearing a Seat Belt;
- b) the Insured Person's death resulted from such Injury; and
- c) a copy of the police accident report is submitted with the claim.

We will not pay this benefit if the Accident occurs when the:

- a) Automobile was being used for racing, stunting, or exhibition work;
- b) Seat Belt was used to restrain more than one person;

- c) Automobile is equipped with an automatic Seat Belt and the lap belt is not fastened; or
- d) Insured Person is breaking any laws of the jurisdiction in which the Accident occurred.

This benefit amount is payable in addition to any other applicable benefits under the Policy.

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

We will not pay for any loss which:

- a) results, whether the Insured Person is sane or insane, from:
  - 1. an intentionally self-inflicted Injury or Sickness; or
  - 2. suicide or attempted suicide;
- b) results from the Insured Person's Participation in a Riot or in the commission of a felony;
- c) results from an act of declared or undeclared war or armed aggression;
- d) is incurred while the Insured Person is on active duty or training in the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves of any state or country and for which any governmental body or its agencies are liable;
- e) is not permanent, unless specifically provided;
- f) occurs more than 365 days after the Injury;
- g) does not result from an Accident;
- h) is caused by intentional, self-infliction of carbon monoxide poisoning emanating from a motor vehicle;
- results from Injuries the Insured Person receives in any aircraft while operating, riding as a passenger, boarding or leaving, unless riding as a passenger in a commercial aircraft on a regularly-scheduled flight or while You are Traveling on Business of the Policyholder;
- j) results from an Injury received while riding in any aircraft engaged in:
  - 1. racing;
  - 2. endurance tests;
  - 3. acrobatic or stunt flying;
- k) is caused by the Insured Person, and is a result of Injuries received while under the influence of any controlled drug, unless administered on the advice of a Physician;
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#### PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **CLAIM FORMS**

Before benefits are paid, We must be given written proof of loss as described in this section.

#### **HOW TO OBTAIN PLAN BENEFITS**

Forward the completed claim form to: Benefits Administrator Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, Virginia 22182

#### **CLAIM ASSISTANCE**

For assistance with filing a claim or an explanation of how a claim was paid, contact: United of Omaha Life Insurance Company Mutual of Omaha Plaza
Omaha, Nebraska 68175
Call Toll-Free: 1-800-775-8805

#### **PROOF OF LOSS**

The Insured Person or the beneficiary has 90 days from the date of loss to furnish Us with a completed claim form and other information needed to prove loss. Failure to furnish such proof within this time period shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if:

- a) it was not reasonably possible to give proof within that 90-day period; and
- b) proof is furnished as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year after the date of loss, unless the Insured Person or the beneficiary is not legally capable.

We may occasionally require an Insured Person to be examined by a Physician of Our choice to assist in determining whether benefits are payable. We will pay for these examinations. We will not require more than a reasonable number of examinations. Where not prohibited by law, We may also require an autopsy. We will pay for this autopsy.

#### **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Benefits will be paid after We receive acceptable written proof of loss. Benefits will be paid only if We determine that the claimant is entitled to benefits under the terms of the Policy. We may require supporting information which may include, but which is not limited to, the following:

- a) clinical records;
- b) charts;
- c) x-rays; and
- d) other diagnostic aids.

Benefits will be paid to the Insured Person or the beneficiary in accord with the Life Insurance Benefits section and/or Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefits Rider.

#### MODE OF PAYMENT

Life insurance benefits will be available in one lump sum. Accidental death and dismemberment benefits will be available in one lump sum unless otherwise indicated in the Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefits Rider.

#### **REFUND TO US**

We have a right to recover any payments due to:

- a) fraud or misrepresentation; or
- b) any error We make in processing a claim.

You or the recipient of benefits must reimburse Us in full. We will determine the method by which the repayment is to be made.

#### **AUTHORITY TO INTERPRET POLICY**

By purchasing the Policy, the Policyholder grants Us the discretion and the final authority to construe and interpret the Policy. This means that We have the authority to decide all questions of eligibility and all questions regarding the amount and payment of any Policy benefits within the terms of the Policy as interpreted by Us. Benefits under the Policy will be paid only if We decide, in Our discretion, that a person is entitled to them. In making any decision, We may rely on the accuracy and completeness of any information furnished by the Policyholder, an Insured Person or any other third party. Our interpretation of the Policy as to the amount of benefits and eligibility shall be binding and conclusive on all persons.

The Policyholder further grants Us the authority to delegate to third parties, including, without limitation, Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company and any third party administrator with whom We have contracted to provide claims administration and other administrative services, the discretionary authority granted in the Policy. The Policyholder expressly grants such third party the full discretionary authority granted to Us under this Policy.

The Insured Person or beneficiary has the right to request a review of Our decision. If, after exercising the Policy's review procedures, the Insured Person or beneficiary's claim for benefits is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, the Insured Person or beneficiary may file suit and a court will review the Insured Person or beneficiary's eligibility or entitlement to benefits under the Policy.

The Policyholder, as Plan sponsor, agrees that the Policyholder retains full responsibility for the legal and tax status of its benefits program and releases Us from all responsibility for the reporting and the employment-based design of the program and from all other responsibilities not accepted in writing by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

# CLAIM REVIEW AND APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR LIFE AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** In addition to the requirements described in this document, applicable state laws may contain requirements for claims review and appeal procedures. To the extent that any requirement in this document is inconsistent with any state law requirement, the requirement that is most favorable to the person insured under the Policy shall prevail. If you have any questions, please contact Us.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Adverse Benefit Determination means a denial, reduction, or termination of a benefit or a failure to provide or make payment (in whole or in part) for a benefit. This includes, without limitation, any such denial, reduction or termination of a benefit, or failure to provide or make payment, that is based upon ineligibility for insurance under the Policy.

*Claimant* means the person who submits a claim for benefits under the Policy, including the authorized representative of such person.

## **CLAIM REVIEW PROCEDURES**

Once We receive information necessary to evaluate the claim, We will make a decision within the time periods set forth below. In the event an extension is necessary due to matters beyond Our control, We will notify the Claimant of the extension and the circumstances requiring the extension.

Except where the Claimant voluntarily agrees to provide Us with additional time, extensions are limited as set forth below. If an extension is necessary due to the Claimant's failure to submit complete information, We will notify the Claimant of the additional information required. Such notice of incomplete information will be sent within the time periods set forth below

In order for Us to continue processing the claim, the missing information must be provided to Us within the time periods set forth below. The Claimant may contact Us at any time for additional details about the processing of the claim.

## **INITIAL CLAIM DECISION**

The period of time within which a claim decision will be made begins at the time the claim is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make a claim decision accompanies the filing. The applicable time periods are shown below:

- a) Initial claim decision period: 90 days
- b) Extension period: 90 days

If additional information is needed, We will notify the Claimant within 15 days of Our receipt of the claim. Once the Claimant receives Our request for additional information, the Claimant will be given no less than 30 days to submit the additional information to Us. We will make Our determination within 60 days of Our receipt of the additional information. If We do not receive the additional information within the specified time period, We will make Our determination based upon the available information.

#### **CLAIM DENIALS**

If a request for a claim is denied, in whole or in part, the Claimant will receive notice of the denial, which will include:

- a) the specific reason(s) for the denial;
- b) reference to the specific Policy provisions on which the denial is based;
- c) a description of the appeal procedures and time limits applicable to such procedures, including the right to request an appeal within 60 days and the right to bring a civil action following the appeal process; and
- d) any other information which may be required under state or federal laws and regulations.

Additionally, if an internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion was relied upon in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, the Claimant has the right to request information about such internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was used in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, free of charge.

## **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The Claimant shall have a reasonable opportunity to appeal a claim review decision. As part of the appeal, there will be a full and fair review of the claim review decision.

The Claimant will have no later than 60 days from the Claimant's receipt of notification of Our claim review decision to submit a request for an appeal. The request for an appeal should include:

- a) the Insured Person's name;
- b) the name of the person filing the appeal if different from the Claimant;
- c) the Policy number; and
- d) the nature of the appeal.

The request for an appeal can be submitted in any manner and should include any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that should be considered by Us. The notification regarding Our claim review decision will include instructions on how and where to submit an appeal.

By requesting an appeal, the Claimant has authorized Us, or anyone designated by Us, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal.

#### **RESPONSE TO APPEALS**

We will respond no later than 60 days from Our receipt of the request for an appeal. However, if We determine that an extension is required, We will notify the Claimant in writing of the extension prior to the termination of the initial appeal period. In no event will the extension exceed 60 days from the end of the initial appeal period. The extension notice will indicate the special circumstances requiring the extension and the date by which We expect to render the appeal decision.

When We make Our determination, the Claimant will be provided with:

- a) information regarding the decision; and
- b) information regarding other internal or external appeal or dispute resolution alternatives, including any required state mandated appeal rights.

The period of time within which an appeal decision is required to be made will begin at the time an appeal is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make an appeal decision accompanies the filing. If a period of time is extended as described above due to the Claimant's failure to submit information necessary to decide a claim, the period for making the appeal decision shall be "tolled" or suspended from the date on which the extension notice is sent until the earlier of (1) the date on which We receive the response; or (2) the date established by Us in the notice of extension for the furnishing of the requested information.

# CLAIM REVIEW AND APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR TOTAL DISABILITY BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

## **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Adverse Benefit Determination means a denial, reduction, or termination of a benefit or a failure to provide or make payment (in whole or in part) for a benefit. This includes, without limitation, and such denial, reduction or termination of a benefit, or failure to provide or make payment, that is based upon ineligibility for insurance under the Policy.

*Claimant* means the person who submits a claim for benefits under the Policy, including the authorized representative of such person.

#### **CLAIM REVIEW PROCEDURES**

Once We receive information necessary to evaluate the claim, We will make a decision within the time periods set forth below. In the event an extension is necessary due to matters beyond Our control, We will notify the Claimant of the extension and the circumstances requiring the extension.

Except when the Claimant voluntarily agrees to provide Us with additional time, extensions are limited as set forth below. If an extension is necessary due to the Claimant's failure to submit complete information, We will notify the Claimant of the additional information required. Such notice of incomplete information will be sent within the time periods set forth below.

In order for Us to continue processing the claim, the missing information must be provided to Us within the time periods set forth below. The Claimant may contact Us at any time for additional details about the processing of the claim.

## **INITIAL CLAIM DECISION**

The period of time within which a claim decision will be made begins at the time the claim is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make a claim decision accompanies the filing. The applicable time periods are shown below:

- a) initial claim decision period: 45 days unless additional information is requested as set forth below;
- b) extension period: 30 days; and
- c) maximum number of extensions: two.

If additional information is needed, We will notify the Claimant within 10 days of Our receipt of the claim. Once the Claimant receives Our request for additional information, the Claimant will be given no less than 45 days to submit the additional information to Us. We will make Our determination within 15 days of Our receipt of the additional information. If We do not receive the additional information within the specified time period, We will make Our determination based upon the available information.

## **CLAIM DENIALS**

If a request for a claim is denied, in whole or in part, the Claimant will receive notice of the denial, which will include:

- a) the specific reason(s) for the denial;
- b) reference to the specific Policy provisions on which the denial is based;
- c) a description of the appeal procedures and time limits applicable to such procedures, including the right to request an appeal within 180 days and the right to bring a civil action following the appeal process; and
- d) any other information which may be required under state or federal laws and regulations.

Additionally, if an internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion was relied upon in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, the Claimant has the right to request information about such internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was used in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, free of charge.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The Claimant shall have a reasonable opportunity to appeal a claim review decision. As part of the appeal, there will be a full and fair review of the claim review decision.

The Claimant will have no later than 180 days from the Claimant's receipt of notification of Our claim review decision to submit a request for an appeal. The request for an appeal should include:

- a) the Claimant's name;
- b) the name of the person filing the appeal if different from the Claimant;
- c) the Policy number; and
- d) the nature of the appeal.

The request for an appeal can be submitted in any manner and should include any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that should be considered by Us. The notification regarding Our claim review decision will include instructions on how and where to submit an appeal.

By requesting an appeal, the Claimant has authorized Us, or anyone designated by Us, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal.

A document, record, or other information will be considered relevant to a claim if it:

- a) was relied upon in making the claim decision;
- b) was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the claim decision, without regard to whether it was relied upon in making the claim decision; or
- c) demonstrates compliance with administrative processes and safeguards designed to ensure and verify that claim decisions are made in accordance with the Policy and that, where appropriate, Policy provisions have been applied consistently with respect to similarly situated claimants.

#### **RESPONSE TO APPEALS**

We will respond no later than 45 days from Our receipt of the request for an appeal. However, if We determine that an extension is required, We will notify the Claimant in writing of the extension prior to the termination of the initial appeal period. In no event will the extension exceed 45 days from the end of the initial appeal period. The extension notice will indicate the special circumstances requiring the extension and the date by which We expect to render the appeal decision.

When We make Our determination, the Claimant will be provided with:

- a) information regarding the decision; and
- b) information regarding other internal or external appeal or dispute resolution alternatives, including any required state mandated appeal rights.

The period of time within which an appeal decision is required to be made will begin at the time an appeal is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make an appeal decision accompanies the filing. If a period of time is extended as described above due to the Claimant's failure to submit information necessary to decide a claim, the period for making the appeal decision shall be "tolled" or suspended from the date on which the extension notice is sent until the earlier of (1) the date on which We receive the response; or (2) the date established by Us in the notice of extension for the furnishing of the requested information.

# STANDARD PROVISIONS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **INSURANCE CONTRACT**

The insurance contract consists of:

- a) the Policy;
- b) the Policyholder's signed application attached to the Policy; and
- c) any signed application for You.

Statements in an application are considered representations and not warranties. We will not use any statements in an Insured Person's application to deny a claim or to contest the validity of this insurance unless We provide You, Your beneficiary or Your authorized representative with a copy of that application.

## **CHANGES IN THE INSURANCE CONTRACT**

The insurance contract may be changed (including reducing or terminating benefits or increasing premium costs) any time We and the Policyholder both agree to a change. No one else has the authority to change the insurance contract. A change in the insurance contract:

- a) does not require the consent of any Insured Person or beneficiary; and
- b) must be:
  - 1. in writing;
  - 2. made a part of the Policy; and
  - 3. signed by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

A change may affect any class of Insured Persons included in the Policy.

## **INCONTESTABILITY**

We will not use any statements in an Insured Person's application to contest the validity of this insurance after it has been inforce during the lifetime of the Insured Person for two years.

## **LEGAL ACTIONS**

No legal action can be brought until at least 60 days after We have been given written proof of loss. No legal action can be brought more than three years after the date written proof of loss is required, unless otherwise required by state law in Your state of residence.

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#### **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

The following capitalized terms have the meanings assigned in this section. These terms are used throughout the Policy.

*Certificate* means this document that describes the benefits, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of the insurance provided under the Policy.

*Domestic Partner* means Your domestic partner or equivalent, as recognized and allowed by federal law, or by state law in Your state of residence. A domestic partner may include Your domestic partner or equivalent if:

- a) You submit to the Policyholder a written declaration of partnership signed by You and Your partner in a form acceptable to Us; or
- b) You submit evidence acceptable to Us that all applicable requirements of the state, city and/or county in which You reside regarding the establishment of a domestic partnership have been met; or
- c) You and Your partner satisfy Policyholder's requirements for such partnerships.

Employee means a person who is:

- a) a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; or
- b) lawfully and legally able to work in the United States pursuant to applicable federal and state laws; and
- c) receiving compensation from the Policyholder for work performed for the Policyholder at:
  - 1. the Policyholder's usual place of business;
  - 2. an alternative work site at the direction of the Policyholder; or
  - 3. a location to which the employee must travel to perform the job.

An employee does not include a person:

- a) who resides outside the United States for a period in excess of 12 consecutive months unless written approval has been received from Our authorized representative in Our home office;
- b) working on a seasonal or temporary basis; or
- c) performing services for the Policyholder as an independent contractor, including persons reporting income on a 1099 form or subject to the terms of a leasing agreement between the Policyholder and a leasing organization.

*Evidence of Insurability* means proof of good health acceptable to Us. This proof may be obtained through questionnaires, physical exams or written documentation, as required by Us.

Hospital means an accredited facility licensed by the proper authority of the area in which it is located to provide care and treatment for the condition causing confinement. A hospital does not include a facility or institution or part of a facility or institution which is licensed or used principally as a clinic, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or home for the aged, halfway house or board and care facilities.

*Injured* means the occurrence of an Injury.

*Injury, Injuries* means an accidental bodily injury that requires treatment by a Physician. It must result in loss independently of Sickness and other causes.

Our, We, Us means United of Omaha Life Insurance Company.

*Physician* means any of the following licensed practitioners:

- a) a doctor of medicine (MD), osteopathy (DO), podiatry (DPM) or chiropractic (DC);
- b) a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- c) a Master's level counselor and licensed or certified social worker who is acting under the supervision of a doctor of medicine or a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- d) a licensed physician's assistant (PA) or nurse practitioner (NP); or
- e) where required by law, any other licensed practitioner of a healing art who is acting within the scope of his/her license.

A physician does not include:

- a) a naturopathic doctor;
- b) an acupuncturist;
- c) a physician in training; or

d) You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or a child, brother, sister or parent of You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or any person who lives with You.

*Plan Administrator* means the person or entity designated as the plan administrator for the Policyholder's group life insurance plan.

*Policy* means the group policy issued to the Policyholder by Us, including this Certificate.

Policy Anniversary means January 1 of each Policy Year.

Policy Effective Date means June 15, 2018.

*Policy Year* means the period commencing on the Policy Effective Date and ending on the next succeeding Policy Anniversary and, thereafter, each 12-month period commencing on the Policy Anniversary.

Prior Plan means any policy or plan of benefits:

- a) replaced by insurance under part or all of the Policy; and
- b) in effect and maintained or sponsored by the Policyholder on the day before the Policy Effective Date.

Schedule means the section of the Certificate identified as the "Schedule".

Sickness means a disease, disorder or condition that requires treatment by a Physician.

Spouse means the person to whom You are legally married.

Written Request means a request that is signed, dated and submitted to the Policyholder or Us. The request must be on a form We supply or be in a form and content acceptable to Us.

You, Your, Insured Person means the Employee who is insured under the Policy.

#### ADDITIONAL SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION

The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) requires that certain information be furnished to eligible participants in an employee benefits plan. The employee benefits plan maintained by the Policyholder shall be referred to herein as the "Plan."

This document, in conjunction with Your Certificate, is Your ERISA Summary Plan Description for the insurance benefits described herein.

Contributions are made solely by the Policyholder. Contributions are based on the amount of insurance premiums necessary to provide Plan coverage.

The benefits under the Plan are fully insured by Us under a group insurance policy issued by Us. Benefits under the Policy are guaranteed to the extent all Policy provisions are met and subject to all terms and conditions of the Policy (including, but not limited to, all exclusions, limitations and exceptions in the Policy). Our home office is located at Mutual of Omaha Plaza, Omaha, Nebraska 68175.

## **EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PLAN NUMBER**

The Employer Identification Number (EIN) is: 22-3684941

The Plan Number is: 501

## **PLAN ADMINISTRATOR**

The Plan is provided through and administered by:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182 Phone: (703) 962-9747

## AGENT FOR SERVICE OF LEGAL PROCESS

The agent for service of legal process upon the Plan is:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (703) 962-9747

## **PLAN YEAR**

Each 12-month period beginning on January 1 is a "plan year" for the purposes of accounting and all reports to the U.S. Department of Labor and other regulatory bodies.

## STATEMENT OF ERISA RIGHTS

As a participant in the Plan, You are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ERISA provides that all Plan participants shall be entitled to:

#### a) Receive Information About Your Plan and Benefits

- 1. Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations all documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.
- 2. Obtain, upon written request to the Plan Administrator, copies of documents governing the operation of the Plan, including insurance contracts and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) and updated Summary Plan Description. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.
- 3. Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

## b) Prudent Actions by Plan Fiduciaries

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

## c) Enforce Your Rights

If Your claim for a benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You have a right to know why this was done, to obtain copies of documents relating to the decision without charge, and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules.

Under ERISA, there are steps You can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if You request a copy of Plan documents or the latest annual report from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, You may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay You up to \$110 a day until You receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Administrator. If You have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You may file suit in a state or Federal court. In addition, if You disagree with the Plan's decision or lack thereof concerning the qualified status of a domestic relations order or a medical child support order, You may file suit in Federal court. If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if You are discriminated against for asserting Your rights, You may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or You may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If You are successful the court may order the person You have sued to pay these costs and fees. If You lose, the court may order You to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds Your claim is frivolous.

#### d) Assistance with Your Questions

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

## **PLAN DISCLOSURES**

You are entitled to request from the Plan Administrator, without charge, information applicable to the Plan's benefits and procedures. In addition, Your Certificate includes, as applicable, a description of:

- a) employee eligibility requirements;
- b) when insurance ends;
- c) state or federal continuation rights; and
- d) claims procedures.

#### **PLAN CHANGES**

The persons with authority to change, including the authority to terminate, the Plan on behalf of the Policyholder are the Policyholder's Board of Directors or other governing body, or any person or persons authorized by resolution of the Board or other governing body to take such action. Please refer to the provision in Your Certificate entitled "Changes in the Insurance Contract" for information about how the Policy can be changed. The Policyholder's benefits area authorized to apply for and accept the Policy and any changes to the Policy on behalf of the Policyholder.

## **Group Term Life Benefits**

**Trace Systems Inc.** 

**Group Number: G000BCQH** 

**United of Omaha Life Insurance Company** 

Home Office: Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175



## YOUR GROUP SHORT-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS



FOR EMPLOYEES OF:	
Trace Systems Inc.	
CLASS(ES):	
All Other Eligible Employees	

#### **REVISION EFFECTIVE DATE:**

January 1, 2021

#### **PUBLICATION DATE:**

December 1, 2020

### NOTICE(S)

THIS CERTIFICATE DESCRIBES THE BENEFITS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU. PLEASE READ YOUR CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY. BENEFITS ARE PROVIDED THROUGH A GROUP POLICY ISSUED IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF FLORIDA

THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN FLORIDA.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF GEORGIA

THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA PROHIBIT INSURERS FROM UNFAIRLY DISCRIMINATING AGAINST ANY PERSON BASED UPON HIS OR HER STATUS AS A VICTIM OF FAMILY VIOLENCE.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF ARIZONA

THIS POLICY OR CERTIFICATE MAY NOT PROVIDE ALL BENEFITS AND PROTECTIONS PROVIDED BY ARIZONA LAW. PLEASE READ YOUR POLICY CAREFULLY.

#### **FRAUD WARNING**

Any person who, with the intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violated state law.

Group Number: G000BCQH

If You have any questions about or concerns with this insurance, please first contact the Policyholder or Your benefits administrator. If, after doing so, You still have a question or concern, You may contact Us at:

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175 Call Toll-Free: 1-800-877-5176 www.mutualofomaha.com

When contacting Us, please have Your Policy number available.

After the above contact, and if Your problem is not resolved, You may contact the Virginia State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance at:

Bureau of Insurance – SCC P.O. Box 1157 Richmond, VA 23218

Phone: 1-800-552-7945 (in state only); 1-804-371-9741 (out of state); 1-877-310-6560 (national toll-free)

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ADDITIONAL SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION



#### CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

#### UNITED OF OMAHA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Home Office: Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company certifies that Group Policy Number GUG-BCQH (the Policy) has been issued to Trace Systems Inc. (the Policyholder).

Insurance is provided for Employees of the Policyholder subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

Please read this Certificate carefully. The benefits described in this Certificate are effective only if You are eligible for the insurance, become insured and remain insured as described in this Certificate and according to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

If the provisions of this Certificate and those of the Policy do not agree, the provisions of the Policy will apply. The Policy is part of a contract between United of Omaha Life Insurance Company and the Policyholder, and may be amended, changed or terminated without Your consent or notice to You.

This Certificate replaces any certificate previously issued under the Policy.

Farnes T. Blacklelge Chief Executive Officer

#### SCHEDULE

This Schedule describes some of the terms and conditions of the Policy including, but not limited to, the maximum amounts of benefits payable under the Policy, exclusions, and limitations. For a complete description of the terms and conditions of the Policy, refer to the appropriate section of this Certificate.

A person is not necessarily entitled to insurance under the Policy because he or she received this Schedule. A person is only entitled to insurance if he or she is eligible in accordance with the terms of this Certificate. Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **POLICY INFORMATION**

Policyholder: Trace Systems Inc.
Policy Effective Date: January 1, 2019
Policy Anniversary: January 1
Policy Number: GUG-BCQH
Group Number: G000BCQH

Classification: All Other Eligible Employees

Minimum Work Hours Required: 30 hours per week

Eligibility Present Waiting Period: None Eligibility Future Waiting Period: None

When Insurance Begins: the day the Employee becomes eligible. Additional eligibility

conditions apply as described in the Certificate.

Elimination Period:

Injury: 7 calendar days Sickness: 7 calendar days

#### **BENEFITS**

Weekly Benefit Percentage:60%Maximum Weekly Benefit:\$1,500Maximum Benefit Period:12 weeksVocational Rehabilitation Benefit:5%

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Basic Weekly Earnings for salaried Employees means Your gross annual salary from the Policyholder in effect on the day immediately prior to the date on which Your Disability began, divided by 52.

Basic weekly earnings for hourly Employees means Your hourly rate of pay from the Policyholder in effect on the day immediately prior to Your Disability multiplied by the average number of hours You worked per week, not including overtime, during the 12 month period immediately prior to the date on which Your Disability began. If You were employed with the Policyholder for a period of less than 12 months, basic weekly earnings means Your hourly rate of pay multiplied by the average number of hours You worked per week during that period, not including overtime.

Basic weekly earnings is verified by premium We have received.

Basic weekly earnings includes Employee contributions to Deferred Compensation plans received from the Policyholder.

Basic weekly earnings does not include commissions, bonuses, overtime pay, Policyholder contributions to Deferred Compensation plans, Differentials, and other extra compensation received from the Policyholder.

Proof of Earnings is required.

*Differentials* mean additional compensation You receive from the Policyholder for time or duties beyond those normally required or to accommodate specific working conditions, including, but not limited to:

- a) shift differentials:
- b) hazardous duties differentials;
- c) pay for longevity;
- d) on-call pay;
- e) lead nurse differentials:
- f) English as a Second Language (ESL) differentials;
- g) charge pay;
- h) weekend differentials:
- i) coaching and other extra curricular activities compensation; and
- j) on-call differentials.

Other Income Source(s) has the meaning set forth in the Other Income Sources provision of this Schedule.

*Recurrent Disability* means a Disability which is caused by, attributable to, or resulting from the same Injury or Sickness that caused the prior Disability for which You received a Weekly Benefit under the Policy.

*Reimbursement Agreement* means the written agreement that We provide to You under which You agree to repay Us any overpayment resulting from Your or Your Spouse's or Domestic Partner's or child(ren)'s receipt of Other Income Sources.

Social Security Normal Retirement Age (SSNRA) means Your normal retirement age under the U. S. Social Security Act in effect as of the date of Your Disability.

#### **ELIMINATION PERIOD**

If Your Disability is a result of an Injury, the Elimination Period is 7 calendar days. If Your Disability begins more than 7 calendar days after Your Injury date, the Elimination Period for Sickness will apply.

If Your Disability is a result of a Sickness, the Elimination Period is 7 calendar days.

The Elimination Period begins on the first day of Disability. The Elimination Period can be satisfied if You are working.

#### RECURRENT DISABILITY

A Recurrent Disability will be treated as part of Your prior claim and You will not be required to satisfy a new Elimination Period if:

- a) You were continuously insured under the Policy from the date benefits ended for Your prior claim to the date Your Recurrent Disability begins; and
- b) Your Recurrent Disability occurs within 90 days after the date benefits ended for Your prior claim.

In order to prevent over-insurance because of duplication of benefits, benefits payable under this Recurrent Disability provision will cease if benefits are payable to You under any other Policyholder sponsored group long-term disability income policy or plan.

#### **WEEKLY BENEFIT**

#### **Total Disability**

If You are Disabled and earning less than 20% of Your Basic Weekly Earnings, the Weekly Benefit while Disabled is the lesser of:

- a) 60% of Your Basic Weekly Earnings, less Other Income Sources; or
- b) the Maximum Weekly Benefit, less any Other Income Sources.

#### **Partial Disability**

If You are Disabled and You are able to generate Current Earnings of at least 20% and not more than 99% of Your Basic Weekly Earnings, the Weekly Benefit payable will be the Weekly Benefit for Total Disability, unless the sum of:

- a) the Gross Weekly Benefit while You are Disabled; plus
- b) Other Income Sources You receive or are eligible to receive; plus
- c) Current Earnings while You are Disabled

exceeds 100% of Your Basic Weekly Earnings. If this sum exceeds 100% of Your Basic Weekly Earnings, the Weekly Benefit will be reduced by the amount in excess of 100% of Your Basic Weekly Earnings.

#### **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION BENEFIT**

While You are participating in a plan of vocational rehabilitation approved by Us, Your Weekly Benefit will be increased by 5%.

#### **MAXIMUM BENEFIT PERIOD**

The maximum number of weeks that benefits are payable for a continuous period of Disability is 12 weeks.

#### OTHER INCOME SOURCES

We take into account the total of all Your income from other sources of income in determining the amount of Your Weekly Benefit. Your Other Income Sources are any of the following amounts that You receive or are eligible to receive as a result of Your Disability or the Sickness and/or Injury that caused, in whole or in part, Your Disability:

- a) Any amount under another group or individual short-term or long-term disability insurance policy or plan for which the Policyholder has paid any part of the cost, except any group short-term or long-term disability insurance policy or plan underwritten by United of Omaha Life Insurance Company.
- b) Any amount as disability income payments under any:
  - 1. state compulsory benefit act or law;
  - 2. government retirement system as a result of Your job with the Policyholder; or
  - 3. work loss provision in a no-fault motor vehicle insurance plan, unless state law or regulation does not allow group disability income benefits to be reduced by benefits from no-fault motor vehicle coverage.
- c) Any amount of benefits under the Policyholder's Retirement Plan. Benefits payable before the plan's normal retirement age are considered Other Income Sources only if You voluntarily elect to receive these benefits.

- d) Any benefits for You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner and Dependent Child under:
  - 1. the U.S. Social Security Act;
  - 2. the Canada Pension Plan;
  - 3. the Quebec Pension Plan;
  - 4. the Railroad Retirement Act;
  - 5. any public employee retirement plan;
  - 6. any teachers employment retirement plan; or
  - 7. any similar plan or act that provides:
    - a. Disability benefits; or
    - b. retirement benefits (except this will not apply if Your Disability begins after Your Social Security Normal Retirement Age and You were already receiving Social Security retirement benefits. This exception only applies to U.S. Social Security Benefits).
- e) Any amount payable as:
  - 1. salary continuance, except
    - a. paid time off (PTO) that is not specified as sick leave;
    - b. vacation;
    - c. any earned time off program;
  - 2. sick leave; or
  - 3. severance allowance.
- f) Any amount from a third party (after subtracting attorneys' fees) by judgment, settlement or otherwise.
- g) Any amount from any unemployment insurance law or program.

#### **EXPLANATION OF OTHER INCOME SOURCES**

You must apply for and pursue Other Income Sources for which You are or may become eligible, including but not limited to Social Security disability and/or dependent benefits, and do what is needed to obtain them. If Your application or claim for Other Income Sources is denied, We may require that You appeal the decision to a level that is satisfactory to Us and provide written proof of all levels of appeal.

As part of Your proof of Disability, We require that You furnish evidence to Us that You have applied for and pursued Other Income Sources for which You are or may become eligible.

After the initial reduction for each type of Other Income Source, We will not further reduce Your Weekly Benefit due to any cost of living increases payable under such type of Other Income Source.

Other Income Sources that are paid in a lump sum will be prorated on a weekly basis over a period for which the sum is given. If no time period is stated, the sum will be prorated on a weekly basis over the lesser of the following:

- a) the Policy's Maximum Benefit Period; or
- b) 12 equal payments.

If Other Income Sources are paid on a retroactive basis, We may reduce or suspend the Weekly Benefit to recover any overpayment.

Regardless of how funds from a Retirement Plan are distributed, We will consider Your contributions and the Policyholder's contributions to be distributed simultaneously during Your lifetime.

We will pay the full amount of the Weekly Benefit if You:

- a) apply for Other Income Sources; and
- b) sign Our Reimbursement Agreement.

Until You have signed Our Reimbursement Agreement and have given written proof to Us that application has been made or all available appeals have been exhausted for Other Income Sources, We may:

- a) estimate Your Other Income Sources; and
- b) reduce Your Weekly Benefit by that amount.

If We reduce Your benefit on this basis, and if all of Your appeals are denied, We will restore Your Weekly Benefit amount and refund any underpayment to You in a lump sum.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Actively Working, Active Work means an Employee is performing the normal duties of his or her Regular Job for the Policyholder on a regular and continuous basis 30 or more hours each week. An Employee will be considered to be actively working on any day that is a regular paid holiday or day of vacation, or regular or scheduled non-working day, provided the Employee was actively working on the last preceding regular work day.

Eligibility Waiting Period means a continuous period of Active Work that an Employee must satisfy before becoming eligible for insurance as described in the When an Employee Becomes Eligible for Insurance (Eligibility Waiting Period) provision.

*Prior Plan* means any group disability plan or individual worksite disability plan of benefits:

- a) replaced by insurance under part or all of the Policy; and
- b) in effect and maintained or sponsored by the Policyholder on the day before the Policy Effective Date.

Written Request means a request that is signed, dated and submitted to the Policyholder. The request must be on a form We supply or be in a form and content acceptable to Us.

#### WHEN AN EMPLOYEE BECOMES ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE (ELIGIBILITY WAITING PERIOD)

An Employee who is Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the Policy Effective Date.

An Employee who is hired after the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the day the Employee begins Active Work.

The day on which an Employee becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy may not be the same as the day on which insurance begins. The When Insurance Begins provision describes the day on which insurance begins.

#### CONTINUITY OF INSURANCE UPON TRANSFER OF INSURANCE CARRIER

If You are not Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date due to Injury or Sickness, upon payment of the premium, You will be insured under the Policy if You:

- a) were covered under a Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date; and
- b) resume Active Work.

#### WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS

An eligible Employee will become insured on the day the Employee begins Active Work.

If the Employee is not Actively Working on the day insurance would otherwise begin, insurance will begin on the day the Employee returns to Active Work.

#### **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS**

This provision does not apply if the Employee is eligible for coverage under the Continuity of Insurance Upon Transfer of Insurance Carrier provision.

Insurance for an Employee who has an Injury or Sickness and is confined:

- a) in a Hospital as an inpatient;
- b) in any institution or facility other than a Hospital; or
- c) at home and under the care or supervision of a Physician;

on the day insurance is to begin will not take effect until the day the Employee returns to Active Work.

#### **CHANGES TO INSURANCE BENEFITS**

Any allowable change in Your classification or amount of insurance, whether requested by You or the Policyholder, or as a result of the terms of the Policy, will take effect on the first day of the month that follows the date of the request or the change.

#### REINSTATEMENT OF INSURANCE

You may be eligible to reinstate insurance that has ended in accordance with this provision. You must submit a Written Request to reinstate insurance within 31 days of Your return to Active Work.

Reinstated insurance will take effect on the date of the Written Request. If You are not Actively Working on the day the reinstated insurance would otherwise take effect, insurance will become effective on the day You return to Active Work.

#### **Involuntary Reduction in Hours**

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to an involuntary reduction of hours worked, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee returns to Active Work and there was no break in employment with the Policyholder after the date insurance ended.

#### Rehired Employee Due to Layoff or Termination

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to layoff or termination of employment with the Policyholder, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee is rehired and returns to Active Work within 90 days from the date employment ended. All other Policy provisions, except the Pre-existing Condition Exclusion provision, will apply.

#### WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

Insurance will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) You are no longer eligible for insurance under the Policy;
- b) You begin active duty in the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves of any state or country (except for temporary active duty of 31 days or less);
- c) the Policy terminates; or
- d) insurance ends in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If You are Disabled on the day the Policy terminates, benefits will continue subject to the When Benefits End provision located in the Benefits section.

#### **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE ENDS**

If insurance for You ends but the Policy is in effect, You may be able to continue or obtain insurance under one of the following provisions:

- a) Continuation of Insurance During Disability
- b) Continuation of Insurance Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA)

#### **CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE DURING DISABILITY**

If You become Disabled, Your insurance will continue with payment of premium for as long as You are entitled to receive Weekly Benefits.

# CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE UNDER THE FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA) AND UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT (USERRA)

The federal Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and any amendments thereto, as well as other applicable federal or state laws, may allow continuation of insurance in certain instances for leaves of absence, layoff or termination. Contact the Policyholder for additional information regarding any other continuation options that may be available.

#### SHORT-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Good Cause means documented physical or mental impairments that:

- a) render You incapable of rehabilitation;
- b) interfere with a medical program You are currently participating in; or
- c) conflict with any other program You are participating in that will enable You to return to active employment.

Participation in a Riot means actively participating in a tumultuous disturbance of the peace by three or more persons assembling together of their own authority with intent to mutually assist one another in an illegal or legal act.

#### SHORT-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS

If You become Disabled due to an Injury or Sickness, while insured under the Policy, We will pay the Weekly Benefit shown in the Schedule in accordance with the terms of the Policy. Benefits will begin after You satisfy the Elimination Period shown in the Schedule.

#### **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROVISION**

If You are Disabled and are receiving Disability benefits as provided by the Policy, You may be eligible to receive vocational rehabilitation services. These services include, but are not limited to:

- a) worksite modification and/or special equipment;
- b) job placement;
- c) retraining; and
- d) other services reasonably necessary to help You return to work.

While You are participating in a plan of vocational rehabilitation approved by Us, Your Weekly Benefit will be increased by a percentage as shown in the Schedule.

Eligibility for vocational rehabilitation services is based on Your education, training, experience and physical/mental capabilities. Before vocational rehabilitation services will be considered:

- a) Your Disability must not allow You to perform Your Regular Job;
- b) You must have the physical and mental capability to complete a rehabilitation program; and
- c) there must be reasonable expectation that rehabilitation services will help You return to active employment.

We will develop an Individual Written Rehabilitation Plan (IWRP), which may include input from You, Your Physician and the Policyholder. The IWRP will describe:

- a) the vocational rehabilitation goals and services;
- b) the responsibilities of Us, You and any third parties associated with the IWRP;
- c) the times and dates of the vocational rehabilitation services; and
- d) all costs associated with the services.

Either We, Your Physician, or You may initiate consideration for Your participation in vocational rehabilitation. Failure to participate without Good Cause will result in reduction or termination of Disability benefits. Reduction of benefits will be based on Your income potential if You were employed after a vocational rehabilitation program.

We will make the final determination of any vocational rehabilitation services provided, eligibility for participation and any continued benefit payments.

While You are a participant in an IWRP, Weekly Benefits will continue to be payable. Eligibility for continued Weekly Benefits will be assessed at the completion of the IWRP.

#### WHEN BENEFITS END

Benefits will be paid during a period of Disability until the earliest of the day:

- a) You are no longer Disabled;
- b) You die:
- c) on which the Maximum Benefit Period ends as shown in the Schedule;
- d) You fail to provide Us satisfactory proof of continuous Disability;
- e) You fail to provide Us satisfactory Proof of Earnings;
- f) You have been incarcerated or imprisoned for 31 days or longer;
- You fail to comply with Our request to be examined by a Physician and/or vocational rehabilitation expert of Our choice;
- h) You are not under Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment for the Injury or Sickness that caused the Disability; or
- i) You are able to return to work with the Policyholder on a part-time or Full-Time basis and do not do so.

If You are eligible to receive Disability payments on the day the Policy ends, benefits will continue subject to all other Policy provisions.

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

We will not pay benefits for any Disability which:

- a) results from an act of declared or undeclared war or armed aggression;
- b) results from Your Participation in a Riot or Your commission of or attempt to commit a felony or any type of assault or battery;
- arises out of or in the course of employment with the Policyholder for which You are entitled to benefits under any
  workers' compensation or occupational disease law, or receives any settlement from the workers' compensation
  carrier;
- d) results, whether You are sane or insane, from:
  - 1. an intentionally self-inflicted Injury or Sickness; or
  - 2. attempted suicide;
- e) occurs while You are incarcerated or imprisoned for any period exceeding 31 days; or
- f) is solely a result of a loss of a professional license, occupational license, or certification.

#### PREMIUM PAYMENTS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **GRACE PERIOD**

All premiums for insurance under the Policy must be paid within the grace period. There is a grace period of 31 days for payment of premiums. This means that, except for the initial premium, if premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, the premium must be paid in the 31-day period that follows. We will consider premium to be paid on the date We receive it.

Insurance will stay in force during the grace period, unless You or the Policyholder provides Us with written notice that insurance will terminate during the grace period. If We receive such notice, insurance will terminate on the date requested.

If any premium due is not paid during the grace period, insurance will end on the last day of the grace period. If insurance ends, it may be reinstated as described in the Reinstatement of Insurance provision.

#### **PREMIUM CHANGES**

If You request a change in the amount of insurance, the Policyholder will provide You with notice of Your new premium amount upon request.

If there is a change in the amount of the premium for insurance in accordance with the terms of the Policy, the Policyholder will provide You with notice of the change at least 31 days prior to the date of the change.

Premium amounts will change if premium rates under the Policy are changed.

#### **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate

#### HOW TO OBTAIN PLAN BENEFITS FOR DISABILITY OR OTHER LOSS

Forward the completed claim form for Disability or other benefits to: Benefits Administrator Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, Virginia 22182

You will be responsible for any fees charged by Your Physician for completing a claim form.

#### **CLAIM ASSISTANCE**

For assistance with filing a claim or an explanation of how a claim was paid, contact: United of Omaha Life Insurance Company
Group Disability Management Services
Mutual of Omaha Plaza
Omaha, Nebraska 68175
Call Toll-Free: 1-800-877-5176

#### PROOF OF DISABILITY

A claim form can be requested from the Plan Administrator, from Us or obtained on Our website. A request for a claim form should be made within 20 days after a Disability occurs or as soon as reasonably possible. If You do not receive a claim form within 15 days of Your request, You can provide a written or verbal statement to Us, stating:

- a) that You are under the Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment of a Physician;
- b) the appropriate documentation of Your job duties at Your Regular Job and Your Basic Weekly Earnings;
- c) the date Your Disability began;
- d) the cause of your Disability;
- e) any restrictions and limitations preventing You from performing Your Regular Job; and
- f) the name and address of any attending Physician, Hospital or institution where You received treatment.

A completed claim form and other information needed to prove loss must be submitted to Us within 90 days after the time proof is otherwise required.

Failure to furnish such proof within this time period shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if:

- a) it was not reasonably possible to give proof within that 90-day period; and
- b) proof is furnished as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year after the end of the Elimination Period, unless You or Your beneficiary are not legally capable.

Proof of continued Disability, Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment of a Physician and any Other Income Sources must be given to Us, upon request. This proof must be received within 45 days of Our request. If it is not, benefits may be denied or suspended.

#### ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR DISABILITY AND OTHER CLAIMS

We may occasionally require You to be examined by a Physician or vocational rehabilitation expert of Our choice to assist in determining whether benefits are payable. We will pay for these examinations; however, You may be responsible for fees associated with failure to notify the examination office of Your appointment cancellation within the required amount of time

specified by the examiner. We may recover this fee by reduction of benefits that are payable. We will not require more than a reasonable number of examinations.

Disability and other benefits will be paid after We receive acceptable proof of loss. Benefits will be paid only if We determine that the claimant is entitled to benefits under the terms of the Policy. We may require supporting information which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- a) clinical records;
- b) charts;
- c) x-rays;
- d) Proof of Earnings; and
- e) other diagnostic aids.

#### MODE OF PAYMENT FOR DISABILITY

Disability benefits will be paid by Us weekly after We receive acceptable proof of Disability. Benefits will be paid to You, except benefits unpaid at Your death may be paid, at Our option, to:

- a) Your Eligible Survivor; or
- b) Your estate.

#### **REFUND TO US**

If it is found that We paid more benefits than We should have paid under the Policy, We have the right to a refund from You or the recipient of benefits.

We also have a right to a refund for any payments due to:

- a) fraud or misrepresentation;
- b) any error We make in processing a claim; or
- c) Your receipt of Other Income Sources.

You or the recipient of benefits must reimburse Us in full. We will determine the method by which the repayment is to be made, including without limitation, reducing or withholding Your Weekly Benefit or any benefits payable to You under any other disability insurance policy issued by Us. We will credit these payments to the refund until the refund is fully recovered.

#### **AUTHORITY TO INTERPRET POLICY**

By purchasing the Policy, the Policyholder grants Us the discretion and the final authority to construe and interpret the Policy. This means that We have the authority to decide all questions of eligibility and all questions regarding the amount and payment of any Policy benefits within the terms of the Policy as interpreted by Us. Benefits under the Policy will be paid only if We decide, in Our discretion, that a person is entitled to them. In making any decision, We may rely on the accuracy and completeness of any information furnished by the Policyholder, You or any other third party.

The Policyholder further grants Us the authority to delegate to third parties, including, without limitation, Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company and any third party administrator with whom We have contracted to provide claims administration and other administrative services, the discretionary authority granted in the Policy. The Policyholder expressly grants such third party the full discretionary authority granted to Us under this Policy.

You or Your beneficiary has the right to request a review of Our decision. If, after exercising the Policy's review procedures, You or Your beneficiary's claim for benefits is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You or Your beneficiary may file suit and a court will review Your or Your beneficiary's eligibility or entitlement to benefits under the Policy.

Policy benefits will be paid only if We determine, in Our discretion, that the claimant is entitled to benefits under the terms of the Policy (see the ERISA Summary Plan Description for additional information included with the Certificate).

#### CLAIM REVIEW AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Adverse Benefit Determination means a denial, reduction, or termination of a benefit or a failure to provide or make payment (in whole or in part) for a benefit. This includes, without limitation, any such denial, reduction or termination of a benefit, or failure to provide or make payment, that is based upon ineligibility for insurance under the Policy.

*Claimant* means the person who submits a claim for benefits under the Policy, including the authorized representative of such person.

#### **CLAIM REVIEW PROCEDURES**

Once We receive information necessary to evaluate the claim, We will make a decision within the time periods set forth below. In the event an extension is necessary due to matters beyond Our control, We will notify the Claimant of the extension and the circumstances requiring the extension.

Except when the Claimant voluntarily agrees to provide Us with additional time, extensions are limited as set forth below. If an extension is necessary due to the Claimant's failure to submit complete information, We will notify the Claimant of the additional information required. Such notice of incomplete information will be sent within the time periods set forth below.

In order for Us to continue processing the claim, the missing information must be provided to Us within the time periods set forth below. The Claimant may contact Us at any time for additional details about the processing of the claim.

#### **INITIAL CLAIM DECISION**

The period of time within which a claim decision will be made begins at the time the claim is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make a claim decision accompanies the filing. The applicable time periods are shown below:

- a) initial claim decision period: 45 days unless additional information is requested as set forth below;
- b) extension period: 30 days; and
- c) maximum number of extensions: two.

If additional information is needed, We will notify the Claimant within 10 days of Our receipt of the claim. Once the Claimant receives Our request for additional information, the Claimant will be given no less than 45 days to submit the additional information to Us. We will make Our determination within 15 days of Our receipt of the additional information. If We do not receive the additional information within the specified time period, We will make Our determination based upon the available information.

#### **CLAIM DENIALS**

If a request for a claim is denied, in whole or in part, the Claimant will receive notice of the denial, which will include:

- a) the specific reason(s) for the denial;
- b) reference to the specific Policy provisions on which the denial is based;
- c) a description of the appeal procedures and time limits applicable to such procedures, including the right to request an appeal within 180 days and the right to bring a civil action following the appeal process; and
- d) any other information which may be required under state or federal laws and regulations.

Additionally, if an internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion was relied upon in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, the Claimant has the right to request information about such internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was used in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, free of charge.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The Claimant shall have a reasonable opportunity to appeal a claim review decision. As part of the appeal, there will be a full and fair review of the claim review decision.

The Claimant will have no later than 180 days from the Claimant's receipt of notification of Our claim review decision to submit a request for an appeal. The request for an appeal should include:

- a) the Claimant's name;
- b) the name of the person filing the appeal if different from the Claimant;
- c) the Policy number; and
- d) the nature of the appeal.

The request for an appeal can be submitted in any manner and should include any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that should be considered by Us. The notification regarding Our claim review decision will include instructions on how and where to submit an appeal.

By requesting an appeal, the Claimant has authorized Us, or anyone designated by Us, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal.

A document, record, or other information will be considered relevant to a claim if it:

- a) was relied upon in making the claim decision;
- b) was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the claim decision, without regard to whether it was relied upon in making the claim decision; or
- c) demonstrates compliance with administrative processes and safeguards designed to ensure and verify that claim decisions are made in accordance with the Policy and that, where appropriate, Policy provisions have been applied consistently with respect to similarly situated claimants.

#### **RESPONSE TO APPEALS**

We will respond no later than 45 days from Our receipt of the request for an appeal. However, if We determine that an extension is required, We will notify the Claimant in writing of the extension prior to the termination of the initial appeal period. In no event will the extension exceed 45 days from the end of the initial appeal period. The extension notice will indicate the special circumstances requiring the extension and the date by which We expect to render the appeal decision.

When We make Our determination, the Claimant will be provided with:

- a) information regarding the decision; and
- b) information regarding other internal or external appeal or dispute resolution alternatives, including any required state mandated appeal rights.

The period of time within which an appeal decision is required to be made will begin at the time an appeal is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make an appeal decision accompanies the filing. If a period of time is extended as described above due to the Claimant's failure to submit information necessary to decide a claim, the period for making the appeal decision shall be "tolled" or suspended from the date on which the extension notice is sent until the earlier of (1) the date on which We receive the response; or (2) the date established by Us in the notice of extension for the furnishing of the requested information.

#### STANDARD PROVISIONS

#### **INSURANCE CONTRACT**

The insurance contract consists of:

- a) the Policy;
- b) the Policyholder's signed application attached to the Policy; and
- c) any application signed by You.

Statements in an application are considered representations and not warranties. We will not use any statements in Your application to deny a claim or to contest the validity of this insurance unless We provide You or Your beneficiary or personal representative with a copy of that application.

#### CHANGES IN THE INSURANCE CONTRACT

The insurance contract may be changed (including reducing or terminating benefits or increasing premium costs) any time We and the Policyholder both agree to a change. No one else has the authority to change the insurance contract. A change in the insurance contract:

- a) does not require Your consent; and
- b) must be:
  - 1. in writing;
  - 2. made a part of the Policy; and
  - 3. signed by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

A change may affect any class of Employees included in the Policy.

#### **INCONTESTABILITY**

We will not use any statements in Your application to contest the validity of this insurance after it has been in-force during Your lifetime for two years.

#### **LEGAL ACTIONS**

No legal action can be brought until at least 60 days after We have been given proof of loss. No legal action can be brought more than 3 years after the date proof of loss is required, unless otherwise required by state law in Your state of residence.

#### **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

The following capitalized terms have the meanings assigned in this section. These terms are used throughout this Certificate.

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

*Certificate* means this document that describes the benefits, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of the insurance provided under the Policy.

Current Earnings means any actual pre-tax weekly income You receive while You are working and eligible to receive a Weekly Benefit, or the pre-tax earnings You could receive if You were working at Your Maximum Capacity. If Your current earnings fluctuate, We may average Your current earnings over the most recent three-month period and continue Your claim provided the average does not exceed the percentage of Basic Weekly Earnings allowed by the Policy. A Weekly Benefit will not be payable for any week during which Your current earnings exceed that percentage.

Deferred Compensation means contributions You make through a salary reduction agreement with Policyholder to a plan or arrangement under the following Internal Revenue Code (IRC) sections or any other plan or arrangement defined as deferred compensation under the IRC:

- a) 401(k);
- b) 403(b);
- c) 408(k); or
- d) 457.

#### Dependent Child means:

- a) Your natural born or legally adopted child;
- b) Your stepchild or child of Your Domestic Partner living in Your home; or
- c) any other child who lives with You in a regular parent/child relationship and who qualifies as Your "dependent" as defined in the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

#### Dependent child does not include:

- a) a child who is married or in a domestic partnership;
- b) a child who has been legally adopted by another person; or
- c) a child:
  - 1. temporarily living in Your home;
  - 2. placed in Your home by a social service agency which retains control over the child; or
  - 3. who has a natural parent in a position to exercise parental responsibility and control.

*Disability* and *Disabled* mean that because of an Injury or Sickness, a significant change in Your mental or physical functional capacity has occurred, as a result of which:

- a) during the Elimination Period, You are prevented from performing at least one of the Material Duties of Your Regular Job (on a part-time or full-time basis); and
- b) after the Elimination Period, You are:
  - 1. prevented from performing at least one of the Material Duties of Your Regular Job (on a part-time or full-time basis); and
  - 2. unable to generate Current Earnings which exceed 99% of Your Basic Weekly Earnings due to that same Injury or Sickness.

Disability is determined relative to Your ability or inability to work. It is not determined by the availability of a suitable position with the Policyholder.

*Domestic Partner* means Your domestic partner or equivalent, as recognized and allowed by federal law, or by state law in Your state of residence.

*Eligible Survivor* means Your Spouse or Domestic Partner, if living; otherwise, it means Your Dependent Child under age 26. An eligible survivor must be living at the time of Your death.

*Elimination Period* means the number of days of continuous Disability which must be satisfied before You are eligible to receive benefits. The elimination period is shown in the Schedule.

Employee means a person who is:

- a) a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; or
- b) lawfully and legally able to work in the United States pursuant to applicable federal and state laws; and
- c) receiving compensation from the Policyholder for work performed for the Policyholder at:
  - 1. the Policyholder's usual place of business;
  - 2. an alternative work site at the direction of the Policyholder; or
  - 3. a location to which the employee must travel to perform the job.

An employee does not include a person:

- a) who resides outside the United States for a period in excess of 12 consecutive months unless written approval has been received from Our authorized representative in Our home office;
- b) working on a seasonal or temporary basis; or
- c) performing services for the Policyholder as an independent contractor, including persons reporting income on a 1099 form or subject to the terms of a leasing agreement between the Policyholder and a leasing organization.

*Evidence of Insurability* means proof of good health acceptable to Us. This proof may be obtained through questionnaires, physical exams or written documentation, as required by Us.

Full-Time means working the required number of hours to be considered a full-time employee of the Policyholder.

*Gross Weekly Benefit* means Your Weekly Benefit amount before any reduction for Other Income Sources and Current Earnings.

Hospital means an accredited facility licensed by the proper authority of the area in which it is located to provide care and treatment for the condition causing confinement. A hospital does not include a facility or institution or part of a facility or institution which is licensed or used principally as a clinic, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or home for the aged, halfway house or board and care facilities.

*Injury* means an accidental bodily injury that requires treatment by a Physician. It must result in loss independently of Sickness and other causes. Disability resulting from an injury must occur while You are insured under the Policy.

Material Duties means the essential tasks, functions, and operations relating to Your Regular Job that cannot be reasonably omitted or modified.

Maximum Capacity means, based on Your medical restrictions and limitations, the greatest extent of work You are able to do in Your Regular Job.

Maximum Weekly Benefit means the maximum dollar amount of disability benefit You may receive per week as shown in the Schedule.

*Medically Necessary* means care that is ordered, prescribed, or rendered by a Physician or Hospital, and is determined by Us, or a qualified party or entity selected by Us, to be:

- a) provided for the diagnosis or direct treatment of Your Injury or Sickness;
- b) appropriate and consistent with the symptoms and findings or diagnosis and treatment of Your Injury or Sickness; and
- c) provided in accordance with generally accepted national professional standards and/or medical practice.

Our, We, Us means United of Omaha Life Insurance Company.

Physician means any of the following licensed practitioners:

- a) a doctor of medicine (MD), osteopathy (DO), podiatry (DPM) or chiropractic (DC);
- b) a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- c) a Master's level counselor and licensed or certified social worker who is acting under the supervision of a doctor of medicine or a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- d) a licensed physician's assistant (PA) or nurse practitioner (NP); or
- e) where required by law, any other licensed practitioner of a healing art who is acting within the scope of his/her license.

A physician does not include:

- a) a naturopathic doctor;
- b) an acupuncturist;

- c) a physician in training; or
- d) You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner, any person who lives with You, a child, brother, sister or parent of You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner.

*Plan Administrator* means the person or entity designated as the plan administrator for the Policyholder's group disability welfare benefit plan.

*Policy* means the group policy issued to the Policyholder by Us, including this Certificate.

Policy Anniversary means January 1 of each Policy Year.

Policy Effective Date means January 1, 2019.

*Policy Year* means the period commencing on the Policy Effective Date and ending on the next succeeding Policy Anniversary and, thereafter, each 12-month period commencing on the Policy Anniversary.

Policyholder's Retirement Plan means any Retirement Plan:

- a) which is part of any federal, state, county, municipal, or association retirement system; and
- b) for which You are eligible as a result of employment with the Policyholder.

Proof of Earnings means:

- a) copies of Your U.S. individual income tax returns and business income tax returns, including all forms, schedules and attachments, if applicable;
- b) payroll records; and
- c) any other records We request.

Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment means You visit and receive care and treatment from a Physician as frequently as is medically required, to effectively manage and treat Your Injury or Sickness. Such care and treatment must be:

- a) Medically Necessary;
- b) received from a Physician whose expertise, medical training, and clinical experience are suitable for treating Your Injury or Sickness; and
- c) received primarily is to improve Your medical condition and thereby aid in Your ability to return to work.

Regular Job means the occupation You are routinely performing when Your Disability begins.

Retirement Plan means a plan which:

- a) provides benefits to You, either in a lump sum or in the form of periodic payments, upon the later of:
  - 1. early or normal retirement as defined in the plan or under the U.S. Social Security Act; or
  - 2. disability, if the payment does not reduce the amount of money which would have been paid at the normal retirement age under the plan if the disability had not occurred; and
- b) is not funded wholly by Your contributions.

A retirement plan shall not include a profit-sharing plan or a plan such as a 401(k), a thrift plan, an individual retirement account (IRA), a tax sheltered annuity (TSA), a stock ownership plan, or a Deferred Compensation plan.

*Sickness* means a disease, disorder or condition, including pregnancy, that requires treatment by a Physician. Disability resulting from a sickness must occur while You are insured under the Policy. Sickness does not include elective or cosmetic surgery or procedures, or resulting complications. Sickness includes the donation of an organ in a non-experimental organ transplant procedure.

Spouse means the person to whom You are legally married.

*You, Your* means the Employee who is insured under the Policy.

#### ADDITIONAL SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION

The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) requires that certain information be furnished to eligible participants in an employee benefits plan. The employee benefits plan maintained by the Policyholder shall be referred to herein as the "Plan."

This document, in conjunction with Your Certificate, is Your ERISA Summary Plan Description for the insurance benefits described herein.

Contributions are made solely by the Policyholder. Contributions are based on the amount of insurance premiums necessary to provide Plan coverage.

The Plan provides coverage for more than one class of Employees.

The benefits under the Plan are fully insured by Us under a group insurance policy issued by Us. Benefits under the Policy are guaranteed to the extent all Policy provisions are met and subject to all terms and conditions of the Policy (including, but not limited to, all exclusions, limitations and exceptions in the Policy). Our home office is located at Mutual of Omaha Plaza, Omaha, NE 68175.

#### **EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PLAN NUMBER**

The Employer Identification Number (EIN) is: 22-3684941

The Plan Number is: 501

#### **PLAN ADMINISTRATOR**

The Plan is provided through and administered by:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (703) 962-9747

#### AGENT FOR SERVICE OF LEGAL PROCESS

The agent for service of legal process upon the Plan is:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (703) 962-9747

#### **PLAN YEAR**

Each 12-month period beginning on January 1 is a "plan year" for the purposes of accounting and all reports to the U.S. Department of Labor and other regulatory bodies.

#### STATEMENT OF ERISA RIGHTS

As a participant in the Plan, You are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ERISA provides that all Plan participants shall be entitled to:

#### a) Receive Information About Your Plan and Benefits

- 1. Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations, all documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.
- 2. Obtain, upon written request to the Plan Administrator, copies of documents governing the operation of the Plan, including insurance contracts and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) and updated Summary Plan Description. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.
- 3. Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

#### b) Prudent Actions by Plan Fiduciaries

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

#### c) Enforce Your Rights

If Your claim for a benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You have a right to know why this was done, to obtain copies of documents relating to the decision without charge, and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules.

Under ERISA, there are steps You can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if You request a copy of Plan documents or the latest annual report from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, You may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay You up to \$110 a day until You receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Administrator. If You have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You may file suit in a state or Federal court. In addition, if You disagree with the Plan's decision or lack thereof concerning the qualified status of a domestic relations order or a medical child support order, You may file suit in Federal court. If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if You are discriminated against for asserting Your rights, You may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or You may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If You are successful the court may order the person You have sued to pay these costs and fees. If You lose, the court may order You to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds Your claim is frivolous.

#### d) Assistance with Your Questions

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

#### **PLAN DISCLOSURES**

You are entitled to request from the Plan Administrator, without charge, information applicable to the Plan's benefits and procedures. In addition, Your Certificate includes, as applicable, a description of:

- a) employee eligibility requirements;
- b) when insurance ends;
- c) state or federal continuation rights; and
- d) claims procedures.

#### **PLAN CHANGES**

The persons with authority to change, including the authority to terminate, the Plan on behalf of the Policyholder are the Policyholder's Board of Directors or other governing body, or any person or persons authorized by resolution of the Board or other governing body to take such action. Please refer to the provision in Your Certificate entitled "Changes in the Insurance Contract" for information about how the Policy can be changed. The Policyholder's benefits area is authorized to apply for and accept the Policy and any changes to the Policy on behalf of the Policyholder.

### **Group Short-Term Disability Benefits**

**Trace Systems Inc.** 

Group Number: G000BCQH

**United of Omaha Life Insurance Company** 

Home Office: Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175



## YOUR GROUP LONG-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS



FOR EMPLOYEES OF:		
Trace Systems Inc.		
CLASS(ES):		
All Other Eligible Employees		

## REVISION EFFECTIVE DATE:

January 1, 2021

#### **PUBLICATION DATE:**

December 1, 2020

### NOTICE(S)

THIS CERTIFICATE DESCRIBES THE BENEFITS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU. PLEASE READ YOUR CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY. BENEFITS ARE PROVIDED THROUGH A GROUP POLICY ISSUED IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF FLORIDA

THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN FLORIDA.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF GEORGIA

THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA PROHIBIT INSURERS FROM UNFAIRLY DISCRIMINATING AGAINST ANY PERSON BASED UPON HIS OR HER STATUS AS A VICTIM OF FAMILY VIOLENCE.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF ARIZONA

THIS POLICY OR CERTIFICATE MAY NOT PROVIDE ALL BENEFITS AND PROTECTIONS PROVIDED BY ARIZONA LAW. PLEASE READ YOUR POLICY CAREFULLY.

#### **FRAUD WARNING**

Any person who, with the intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violated state law.

Group Number: G000BCQH

If You have any questions about or concerns with this insurance, please first contact the Policyholder or Your benefits administrator. If, after doing so, You still have a question or concern, You may contact Us at:

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175 Call Toll-Free: 1-800-877-5176 www.mutualofomaha.com

When contacting Us, please have Your Policy number available.

After the above contact, and if Your problem is not resolved, You may contact the Virginia State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance at:

Bureau of Insurance – SCC P.O. Box 1157 Richmond, VA 23218

Phone: 1-800-552-7945 (in state only); 1-804-371-9741 (out of state); 1-877-310-6560 (national toll-free)

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ADDITIONAL SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION



#### **CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE**

#### UNITED OF OMAHA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Home Office: Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company certifies that Group Policy Number GLTD-BCQH (the Policy) has been issued to Trace Systems Inc. (the Policyholder).

Insurance is provided for Employees of the Policyholder subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

Please read this Certificate carefully. The benefits described in this Certificate are effective only if You are eligible for the insurance, become insured and remain insured as described in this Certificate and according to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

If the provisions of this Certificate and those of the Policy do not agree, the provisions of the Policy will apply. The Policy is part of a contract between United of Omaha Life Insurance Company and the Policyholder, and may be amended, changed or terminated without Your consent or notice to You.

This Certificate replaces any certificate previously issued under the Policy.

Farnes T. Blacklelge Chief Executive Officer

#### SCHEDULE

This Schedule describes some of the terms and conditions of the Policy including, but not limited to, the maximum amounts of benefits payable under the Policy, exclusions and limitations. For a complete description of the terms and conditions of the Policy, refer to the appropriate section of the Certificate.

A person is not necessarily entitled to insurance under the Policy because he or she received this Schedule. A person is only entitled to insurance if he or she is eligible in accordance with the terms of the Certificate. Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **POLICY INFORMATION**

Policyholder: Trace Systems Inc.
Policy Effective Date: January 1, 2019
Policy Anniversary: January 1
Policy Number: GLTD-BCQH
Group Number: G000BCQH

Classification: All Other Eligible Employees

Minimum Work Hours Required: 30 hours per week

Eligibility Present Waiting Period: none Eligibility Future Waiting Period: none

When Insurance Begins: the day the Employee becomes eligible. Additional eligibility

conditions apply as described in the Certificate.

Elimination Period: The later of:

a) 90 calendar days; or

b) the date Your short-term Disability ends.

#### **BENEFITS**

Monthly Benefit Percentage:50%Maximum Monthly Benefit:\$10,000Minimum Monthly Benefit:\$100

is longer;
Your SSNRA, or 3 years, whichever is longer;

69 or older...... 1 year.

Own Occupation Definition: 2 years
Survivor Benefit: 3 months
Vocational Rehabilitation Benefit: 5%

#### LIMITATIONS/EXCLUSIONS

Alcohol/Drug Abuse/Substance Abuse Limitation: 24 months Mental Disorder Limitation: 24 months

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Basic Monthly Earnings for salaried Employees means Your gross annual salary from the Policyholder in effect on the day immediately prior to the date on which Your Disability began, divided by 12.

Basic monthly earnings for hourly Employees means Your hourly rate of pay from the Policyholder in effect on the day immediately prior to Your Disability multiplied by the average number of hours You worked per month, not including overtime, during the 12 month period immediately prior to the date on which Your Disability began. If You were employed with the Policyholder for a period of less than 12 months, basic monthly earnings means Your hourly rate of pay multiplied by the average number of hours You worked per month during that period, not including overtime.

Basic monthly earnings is verified by premium We have received.

Basic monthly earnings includes Employee contributions to Deferred Compensation plans received from the Policyholder.

Basic monthly earnings does not include commissions, bonuses, overtime pay, Policyholder contributions to Deferred Compensation plans, Differentials, and other extra compensation received from the Policyholder.

Proof of Earnings is required.

*Differentials* mean additional compensation You receive from the Policyholder for time or duties beyond those normally required or to accommodate specific working conditions, including, but not limited to:

- a) shift differentials;
- b) hazardous duties differentials;
- c) pay for longevity;
- d) on-call pay;
- e) lead nurse differentials:
- f) English as a Second Language (ESL) differentials;
- g) charge pay;
- h) weekend differentials;
- i) coaching and other extra curricular activities compensation; and
- i) on-call differentials.

Other Income Source(s) has the meaning set forth in the Other Income Sources provision of this Schedule.

*Recurrent Disability* means a Disability which is caused by, attributable to, or resulting from the same Injury or Sickness that caused the prior Disability for which You received a Monthly Benefit under the Policy.

*Reimbursement Agreement* means the written agreement that We provide to You under which You agree to repay Us any overpayment resulting from Your or Your Spouse's or Domestic Partner's or child(ren)'s receipt of Other Income Sources.

Social Security Normal Retirement Age (SSNRA) means Your normal retirement age under the U. S. Social Security Act determined as follows:

Year of Birth	Social Security Normal Retirement Age
1937 or earlier	65 years;
1938	
1939	65 years and 4 months;
1940	
1941	65 years and 8 months;
1942	
1943 through 1954	66 years;
1955	
1956	
1957	

1958	66 years and 8 months;
1959	66 years and 10 months
1960 or later	67 years.

NOTE: Your Social Security Normal Retirement Age may change subject to any changes to the U. S. Social Security Act.

#### **ELIMINATION PERIOD**

The Elimination Period is the later of:

- a) 90 calendar days; or
- b) the date Your short-term Disability ends.

For purposes of accumulating days of Disability to satisfy the Elimination Period, the following will apply:

- a) a period of Disability will be treated as continuous during the Elimination Period unless Disability stops for more than 90 accumulated days during the Elimination Period; and
- b) days in which You return to work for a full work day as verified by Policyholder records will not count towards the Elimination Period.

The Elimination Period begins on the first day of Disability. If You are not continuously Disabled, the Elimination Period must be satisfied within a period of time which does not exceed two times the length of the Elimination Period; otherwise, a new Elimination Period will apply.

#### RECURRENT DISABILITY

A Recurrent Disability will be treated as part of Your prior claim and You will not be required to satisfy a new Elimination Period if:

- a) You were continuously insured under the Policy from the date benefits ended for Your prior claim to the date Your Recurrent Disability begins; and
- b) Your Recurrent Disability occurs within 180 days after the date benefits ended for Your prior claim.

In order to prevent over-insurance because of duplication of benefits, benefits payable under this Recurrent Disability provision will cease if benefits are payable to You under any other Policyholder sponsored group long-term disability income policy or plan.

#### **MONTHLY BENEFIT**

### **Total Disability**

If You are Disabled and earning less than 20% of Your Basic Monthly Earnings, the Monthly Benefit while Disabled is the lesser of:

- a) 50% of Your Basic Monthly Earnings, less Other Income Sources; or
- b) the Maximum Monthly Benefit, less any Other Income Sources.

#### **Partial Disability**

You may work for wage or profit and, after a Monthly Benefit has been paid for 2 years, receive up to 85% of Your Basic Monthly Earnings while Disabled. As an incentive to work while Disabled, You will receive the Monthly Benefit for Total Disability, unless the sum of:

- a) the Gross Monthly Benefit while You are Disabled; plus
- b) Current Earnings;

exceeds 100% of Your Basic Monthly Earnings. If this sum exceeds 100% of Your Basic Monthly Earnings, the Monthly Benefit for Partial Disability will be reduced by that excess amount.

#### MINIMUM BENEFIT

As long as You are Disabled Your Monthly Benefit will never be less than \$100, unless We reduce the Monthly Benefit to recover an overpayment. If We reduce the Monthly Benefit to recover an overpayment, Your Monthly Benefit may be reduced to zero until We fully recover the overpayment.

When less than one month of Disability benefits is due, a pro rata benefit will be paid for each day of Disability. This pro rata benefit will be equal to 1/30th of Your Monthly Benefit.

#### **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION BENEFIT**

While You are participating in a plan of vocational rehabilitation approved by Us, Your Monthly Benefit will be increased by 5%.

#### **MAXIMUM BENEFIT PERIOD**

If You are Disabled because of an Injury or Sickness, We will pay benefits as follows, subject to any limitations described in this Certificate.

Age at Disability	<b>Maximum Benefit Period</b>
61 or less.	2 /
	or 3 years and 6 months,
	whichever is longest;
62	Your SSNRA,
	or 3 years and 6 months,
	whichever is longer;
63	Your SSNRA,
	or 3 years,
	whichever is longer;
64	Your SSNRA,
	or 2 years and 6 months,
	whichever is longer;
65	2 years;
66	1 year and 9 months;
67	1 year and 6 months;
68	1 year and 3 months;
69 or over	1 year.

#### OTHER INCOME SOURCES

We take into account the total of all Your income from other sources of income in determining the amount of Your Monthly Benefit. Your Other Income Sources are any of the following amounts that You receive or are eligible to receive as a result of Your Disability or the Sickness and/or Injury that caused, in whole or in part, Your Disability:

- a) Any amount under:
  - 1. a workers' compensation law;
  - 2. an occupational disease law;
  - 3. the Jones Act, (46 U.S.C. Statute 688(a) (1920)); or
  - 4. any other act or law of like intent to the laws described in 1, 2 or 3 above.
- b) Any amount under another group short-term or long-term disability insurance policy or plan for which the Policyholder has paid any part of the cost or for which the Policyholder has made payroll deductions, except any group short-term or long-term disability insurance policy or plan underwritten by United of Omaha Life Insurance Company.
- c) Any amount as disability income payments under any:
  - 1. state compulsory benefit act or law;
  - 2. government retirement system as a result of Your job with the Policyholder; or

- 3. work loss provision in a no-fault motor vehicle insurance plan, unless state law or regulation does not allow group disability income benefits to be reduced by benefits from no-fault motor vehicle coverage.
- d) Any amount of benefits under the Policyholder's Retirement Plan. Benefits payable before the plan's normal retirement age are considered Other Income Sources only if You voluntarily elect to receive these benefits.
- e) Any benefits for You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner and Dependent Child under:
  - 1. the U.S. Social Security Act;
  - 2. the Canada Pension Plan;
  - 3. the Quebec Pension Plan;
  - 4. the Railroad Retirement Act;
  - 5. any public employee retirement plan;
  - 6. any teachers employment retirement plan; or
  - 7. any similar plan or act that provides:
    - a. Disability benefits; or
    - b. retirement benefits (except this will not apply if Your Disability begins after Your Social Security Normal Retirement Age and You were already receiving Social Security retirement benefits. This exception only applies to U.S. Social Security Benefits).
- f) Any amount payable as:
  - 1. salary continuance, except
    - a. paid time off (PTO) that is not specified as sick leave;
    - b. vacation;
    - c. any earned time off program;
  - 2. sick leave; or
  - 3. severance allowance.
- g) Any amount from a third party (after subtracting attorneys' fees) by judgment, settlement or otherwise.
- h) Any amount from any unemployment insurance law or program.

#### **EXPLANATION OF OTHER INCOME SOURCES**

You must apply for Other Income Sources for which You are or may become eligible, including but not limited to Social Security disability and/or dependent benefits, and do what is needed to obtain them. If Your application is denied, We may require that You appeal the decision to a level that is satisfactory to Us and provide written proof of all levels of appeal.

As part of Your proof of Disability, We require that You furnish evidence to Us that You have applied for Other Income Sources for which You are or may become eligible.

After the initial reduction for each type of Other Income Sources, We will not further reduce Your Monthly Benefit due to any cost of living increases payable under such type of Other Income Sources.

Other Income Sources that are paid in a lump sum will be prorated on a monthly basis over a period for which the sum is given. If no time period is stated, the sum will be prorated on a monthly basis over the lesser of the following:

- a) the Policy's Maximum Benefit Period; or
- b) 60 equal payments.

If Other Income Sources are paid on a retroactive basis, We may reduce or suspend the Monthly Benefit to recover any overpayment.

Regardless of how funds from a Retirement Plan are distributed, We will consider Your contributions and the Policyholder's contributions to be distributed simultaneously during Your lifetime.

We will pay the full amount of the Monthly Benefit if You:

- a) apply for Other Income Sources; and
- b) sign Our Reimbursement Agreement.

Until You have signed Our Reimbursement Agreement and have given written proof to Us that application has been made or all available appeals have been exhausted for Other Income Sources, We may:

- a) estimate Your Other Income Sources; and
- b) reduce Your Monthly Benefit by that amount.

If We reduce Your benefit on this basis, and if all of Your appeals are denied, We will restore Your Monthly Benefit amount and refund any underpayment to You in a lump sum.

#### ASSISTANCE WITH FILING FOR SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS

We can arrange for advice regarding Your claim for Social Security disability benefits and assist You with Your application or appeal. In order to be eligible for assistance, You must be receiving Monthly Benefits from Us.

Receiving Social Security disability benefits may enable:

- a) You to receive Medicare after 24 months of disability payments;
- b) You to protect Your Social Security retirement benefits; and
- c) Your family to be eligible for Social Security disability benefits.

We can arrange assistance in obtaining Social Security disability benefits by:

- a) helping You find appropriate representation;
- b) obtaining medical and vocational evidence; and
- c) reimbursing pre-approved case management expense.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Actively Working, Active Work means an Employee is performing the normal duties of his or her Regular Job for the Policyholder on a regular and continuous basis 30 or more hours each week. An Employee will be considered to be actively working on any day that is a regular paid holiday or day of vacation, or regular or scheduled non-working day, provided the Employee was actively working on the last preceding regular work day.

Eligibility Waiting Period means a continuous period of Active Work that an Employee must satisfy before becoming eligible for insurance as described in the When an Employee Becomes Eligible for Insurance (Eligibility Waiting Period) provision.

*Prior Plan* means any group disability plan or individual worksite disability plan of benefits:

- a) replaced by insurance under part or all of the Policy; and
- b) in effect and maintained or sponsored by the Policyholder on the day before the Policy Effective Date.

Written Request means a request that is signed, dated and submitted to the Policyholder. The request must be on a form We supply or be in a form and content acceptable to Us.

#### WHEN AN EMPLOYEE BECOMES ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE (ELIGIBILITY WAITING PERIOD)

An Employee who is Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the Policy Effective Date.

An Employee who is hired after the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the day the Employee begins Active Work.

The day on which an Employee becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy may not be the same as the day on which insurance begins. The When Insurance Begins provision describes the day on which insurance begins.

#### CONTINUITY OF INSURANCE UPON TRANSFER OF INSURANCE CARRIER

If You are not Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date due to Injury or Sickness, upon payment of the premium, You will be insured under the Policy if You:

- a) were covered under a Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date; and
- b) resume Active Work.

#### EFFECT OF A PRE-EXISTING CONDITION WITH PRIOR COVERAGE

#### **Prior Group Disability Plan Coverage Maintained by the Policyholder**

If You become insured under the Policy on the Policy Effective Date and were covered under a prior group disability plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date, any benefits payable under the Policy for a Disability due to a Pre-existing Condition will be determined as follows:

- a) If You cannot satisfy the Pre-existing Conditions provision of the Policy, but have satisfied the pre-existing condition provision under the prior group disability plan, giving consideration towards continuous time covered under both plans, We will pay the lesser of the benefit:
  - 1. that would have been paid under the prior group disability plan; or
  - 2. payable under the Policy.
- b) If You cannot satisfy the Pre-existing Conditions provision under the Policy or of the prior group disability plan, no benefit under the Policy will be payable.

#### Prior Group Disability Plan Coverage Not Maintained by the Policyholder

If You become insured under the Policy after the Policy Effective Date and were covered under an employer's group long-term disability plan provided by Your previous employer, and not maintained by the Policyholder, within 31 days prior to the day You become employed with the Policyholder, any benefits payable under the Policy for a Disability due to a Pre-existing Condition will be determined as follows:

- a) If You cannot satisfy the Pre-existing Conditions provision of the Policy, but have satisfied the pre-existing condition provision under Your prior group disability plan, giving consideration towards continuous time covered under both plans, We will pay the lesser of the benefit:
  - 1. that would have been paid under Your prior group long-term disability plan; or
  - 2. payable under the Policy.
- b) If You cannot satisfy the Pre-existing Conditions provision under the Policy or Your prior group long-term disability plan, no benefit under the Policy will be payable.

In order to qualify under this provision, You must provide the following supporting documentation within 31 days from the date We request this information:

- a) a copy of Your prior employer's long-term disability plan; and
- b) payroll records or other documentation verifying prior group long-term disability coverage under Your prior employer's plan.

#### WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS

An eligible Employee will become insured on the day the Employee begins Active Work.

If the Employee is not Actively Working on the day insurance would otherwise begin, insurance will begin on the day the Employee returns to Active Work.

#### **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS**

This provision does not apply if the Employee is eligible for coverage under the Continuity of Insurance Upon Transfer of Insurance Carrier provision.

Insurance for an Employee who has an Injury or Sickness and is confined:

- a) in a Hospital as an inpatient;
- b) in any institution or facility other than a Hospital; or
- c) at home and under the care or supervision of a Physician;

on the day insurance is to begin will not take effect until the day the Employee returns to Active Work.

#### **CHANGES TO INSURANCE BENEFITS**

Any allowable change in Your classification or amount of insurance, whether requested by You or the Policyholder, or as a result of the terms of the Policy, will take effect on the first day of the month that follows the date of the request or the change.

#### REINSTATEMENT OF INSURANCE

You may be eligible to reinstate insurance that has ended in accordance with this provision. You must submit a Written Request to reinstate insurance within 31 days of Your return to Active Work.

Reinstated insurance will take effect on the date of the Written Request. If You are not Actively Working on the day the reinstated insurance would otherwise take effect, insurance will become effective on the day You return to Active Work.

#### **Involuntary Reduction in Hours**

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to an involuntary reduction of hours worked, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee returns to Active Work and there was no break in employment with the Policyholder after the date insurance ended.

#### Rehired Employee Due to Layoff or Termination

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to layoff or termination of employment with the Policyholder, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee is rehired and returns to Active Work within 90 days from the date employment ended. All other Policy provisions, except the Pre-existing Condition Exclusion provision, will apply.

#### WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

Insurance will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) You are no longer eligible for insurance under the Policy;
- b) You begin active duty in the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves of any state or country (except for temporary active duty of 31 days or less);
- c) the Policy terminates; or
- d) insurance ends in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If You are Disabled on the day the Policy terminates, benefits will continue subject to the When Benefits End provision located in the Benefits section.

#### **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE ENDS**

If insurance for You ends but the Policy is in effect, You may be able to continue or obtain insurance under one of the following provisions:

- a) Continuation of Insurance During Disability
- b) Continuation of Insurance Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA)

#### **CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE DURING DISABILITY**

If You become Disabled, Your insurance will continue without payment of premium for as long as You are entitled to receive Monthly Benefits, except that premium must be paid during the Elimination Period. Premium will be waived from the first day of the month following the end of the Elimination Period through the last day of the month in which Your last Disability benefit payment under the Policy is issued.

# CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE UNDER THE FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA) AND UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT (USERRA)

The federal Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and any amendments thereto, as well as other applicable federal or state laws, may allow continuation of insurance in certain instances for leaves of absence, layoff or termination. Contact the Policyholder for additional information regarding any other continuation options that may be available.

#### LONG-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Good Cause means documented physical or mental impairments that:

- a) render You incapable of rehabilitation;
- b) interfere with a medical program You are currently participating in; or
- c) conflict with any other program You are participating in that will enable You to return to Active Employment.

Participation in a Riot means actively participating in a tumultuous disturbance of the peace by three or more persons assembling together of their own authority with intent to mutually assist one another in an illegal or legal act.

#### LONG-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS

If You become Disabled due to an Injury or Sickness, while insured under the Policy, We will pay the Monthly Benefit shown in the Schedule in accordance with the terms of the Policy. Benefits will begin after You satisfy the Elimination Period shown in the Schedule.

#### **SURVIVOR BENEFIT**

We will pay a Survivor Benefit to Your Eligible Survivor when We receive proof that You died:

- a) after being Disabled; and
- b) while receiving or eligible to receive a Monthly Benefit under the Policy.

The Survivor Benefit will be payable as a lump sum amount equal to 3 times Your Monthly Benefit for the month immediately prior to Your death.

If a Survivor Benefit is payable to Your Dependent Child and, if there is more than one such Dependent Child, then the Survivor Benefit will be divided equally among such Dependent Children.

If payment becomes due to Your Dependent Child or Dependent Children, the payment will be made to:

- a) Your Dependent Child; or
- b) a person legally authorized to receive payments or the Dependent Child's or Dependent Children's behalf. This payment will be valid and effective against all claims by the Dependent Child or Dependent Children or by others representing or claiming to represent such Dependent Child or Dependent Children.

If there are no Eligible Survivors, the Survivor Benefit will be paid to Your estate.

Any payment made in good faith will fully discharge Us to the extent of the payment.

#### **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROVISION**

If You are Disabled and are receiving Disability benefits as provided by the Policy, You may be eligible to receive vocational rehabilitation services. These services include, but are not limited to:

- a) worksite modification and/or special equipment;
- b) job placement;
- c) retraining; and
- d) other services reasonably necessary to help You return to work.

While You are participating in a plan of vocational rehabilitation approved by Us, Your Monthly Benefit will be increased by a percentage as shown in the Schedule.

Eligibility for vocational rehabilitation services is based on Your education, training, experience and physical/mental capabilities. Before vocational rehabilitation services will be considered:

- a) Your Disability must not allow You to perform Your Regular Occupation;
- b) You must have the physical and mental capability to complete a rehabilitation program; and
- c) there must be reasonable expectation that rehabilitation services will help You return to active employment.

We will develop an Individual Written Rehabilitation Plan (IWRP), which may include input from You, Your Physician and the Policyholder. The IWRP will describe:

- a) the vocational rehabilitation goals and services;
- b) the responsibilities of Us, You and any third parties associated with the IWRP;
- c) the times and dates of the vocational rehabilitation services; and
- d) all costs associated with the services.

Either We, Your Physician, or You may initiate consideration for Your participation in vocational rehabilitation. Failure to participate without Good Cause will result in reduction or termination of Disability benefits. Reduction of benefits will be based on Your income potential if You were employed after a vocational rehabilitation program.

We will make the final determination of any vocational rehabilitation services provided, eligibility for participation and any continued benefit payments.

While You are a participant in an IWRP, Monthly Benefits will continue to be payable. Eligibility for continued Monthly Benefits will be assessed at the completion of the IWRP.

#### **LIMITATIONS**

#### Alcohol and Drug Abuse and/or Substance Abuse

If You are Disabled and Your Disability is a result of Alcohol or Drug Abuse and/or Substance Abuse, Your benefits will be limited to a total of 24 months while insured under the Policy, unless You are confined as resident inpatient in a Hospital due to Your dependency at the end of that 24-month period. The Monthly Benefit will continue to be paid during such confinement.

If You are still Disabled when You are discharged from a Hospital, the Monthly Benefit will be paid for a recovery period of up to 90 additional days. If You become re-confined as a resident inpatient in a Hospital during the recovery period for at least 14 consecutive days, benefits will be paid for the duration of the subsequent confinements.

#### **Mental Disorder**

If You are Disabled and Your Disability is a result of a Mental Disorder, Your benefits will be limited to a total of 24 months while insured under the Policy, unless You are confined as a resident inpatient in a Hospital due to Your Mental Disorder at the end of that 24-month period. The Monthly Benefit will continue to be paid during such confinement.

If You are still Disabled when You are discharged from a Hospital, the Monthly Benefit will be paid for a recovery period of up to 90 additional days. If You become re-confined as a resident inpatient in a Hospital during the recovery period for at least 14 consecutive days, benefits will be paid for the duration of the subsequent confinements.

#### WHEN DISABILITY BENEFITS END

Benefits will be paid during a period of Disability until the earliest of the day:

- a) You are no longer Disabled;
- b) You die:
- c) on which the Maximum Benefit Period ends as shown in the Schedule;
- d) You fail to provide Us satisfactory proof of continuous Disability;
- e) You fail to provide Us satisfactory Proof of Earnings;
- f) You have been incarcerated or imprisoned for 31 days or longer;
- g) You fail to comply with Our request to be examined by a Physician and/or vocational rehabilitation expert of Our choice;
- h) You are not under Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment for the Injury or Sickness that caused the Disability;
- i) You are able to return to work with the Policyholder on a part-time or Full-Time basis and do not do so; or

j) We have paid You 12 Monthly Benefit payments, if You reside outside the U.S., its territories or possessions, or Canada. You will be considered to reside outside the U.S., its territories or possessions, or Canada if You have been outside the U.S., its territories or possessions, or Canada for a total of six months or more during any twelve consecutive month period during which You were continuously Disabled.

If You are eligible to receive Disability payments on the day the Policy ends, benefits will continue subject to all other Policy provisions.

#### PRE-EXISTING CONDITION EXCLUSION

A *Pre-existing Condition* means any Injury or Sickness for which You received medical treatment, advice or consultation, care or services, including diagnostic measures, or had drugs or medicines prescribed or taken in the 3 months prior to the day You become insured under the Policy.

We will not provide benefits for any Disability caused by, attributable to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition which begins in the first 12 months after You are continuously insured under the Policy.

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

We will not pay benefits for any Disability or loss which:

- a) results from an act of declared or undeclared war or armed aggression;
- b) results from Your Participation in a Riot or Your commission of or attempt to commit a felony or any type of assault or battery;
- c) results, whether You are sane or insane, from:
  - 1. an intentionally self-inflicted Injury or Sickness; or
  - 2. attempted suicide;
- d) results from Alcohol and Drug Abuse and/or Substance Abuse, except as specifically provided in the Limitations Section:
- e) results from a Mental Disorder, except as specifically provided in the Limitations Section;
- f) is caused by Alcohol and Drug Abuse and/or Substance Abuse, while You are not being actively supervised by and receiving continuing treatment from a rehabilitation center or designated institution approved for such treatment by an appropriate body in the governing jurisdiction, or if none, by Us;
- g) occurs while You are incarcerated or imprisoned for any period exceeding 31 days; or
- h) is solely a result of a loss of a professional license, occupational license, or certification.

#### PREMIUM PAYMENTS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **GRACE PERIOD**

All premiums for insurance under the Policy must be paid within the grace period. There is a grace period of 31 days for payment of premiums. This means that, except for the initial premium, if premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, the premium must be paid in the 31-day period that follows. We will consider premium to be paid on the date We receive it.

Insurance will stay in force during the grace period, unless You or the Policyholder provides Us with written notice that insurance will terminate during the grace period. If We receive such notice, insurance will terminate on the date requested.

If any premium due is not paid during the grace period, insurance will end on the last day of the grace period. If insurance ends, it may be reinstated as described in the Reinstatement of Insurance provision.

#### **PREMIUM CHANGES**

If You request a change in the amount of insurance, the Policyholder will provide You with notice of Your new premium amount upon request.

If there is a change in the amount of the premium for insurance in accordance with the terms of the Policy, the Policyholder will provide You with notice of the change at least 31 days prior to the date of the change.

Premium amounts will change if premium rates under the Policy are changed.

#### **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate

#### HOW TO OBTAIN PLAN BENEFITS FOR DISABILITY OR OTHER LOSS

Forward the completed claim form for Disability or other benefits to: Benefits Administrator Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, Virginia 22182

You will be responsible for any fees charged by Your Physician for completing a claim form.

#### **CLAIM ASSISTANCE**

For assistance with filing a claim or an explanation of how a claim was paid, contact: United of Omaha Life Insurance Company
Group Disability Management Services
Mutual of Omaha Plaza
Omaha, Nebraska 68175
Call Toll-Free: 1-800-877-5176

#### PROOF OF DISABILITY

A claim form can be requested from the Plan Administrator, from Us or obtained on Our website. A request for a claim form should be made within 20 days after a Disability occurs or as soon as reasonably possible. If You do not receive a claim form within 15 days of Your request, You can provide a written statement to Us, stating:

- a) that You are under the Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment of a Physician;
- b) the appropriate documentation of Your job duties at Your Regular Occupation and Your Basic Monthly Earnings;
- c) the date Your Disability began;
- d) the cause of your Disability;
- e) any restrictions and limitations preventing You from performing Your Regular Occupation; and
- f) the name and address of any attending Physician, Hospital or institution where You received treatment.

A completed claim form and other information needed to prove loss must be submitted to Us within 90 days after the time proof is otherwise required.

Failure to furnish such proof within this time period shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if:

- a) it was not reasonably possible to give proof within that 90-day period; and
- b) proof is furnished as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year after the end of the Elimination Period, unless You or Your beneficiary are not legally capable.

Proof of continued Disability, Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment of a Physician and any Other Income Sources must be given to Us, upon request. This proof must be received within 45 days of Our request. If it is not, benefits may be denied or suspended.

#### ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR DISABILITY AND OTHER CLAIMS

We may occasionally require You to be examined by a Physician or vocational rehabilitation expert of Our choice to assist in determining whether benefits are payable. We will pay for these examinations; however, You may be responsible for fees associated with failure to notify the examination office of Your appointment cancellation within the required amount of time

specified by the examiner. We may recover this fee by reduction of benefits that are payable. We will not require more than a reasonable number of examinations.

Disability and other benefits will be paid after We receive acceptable proof of loss. Benefits will be paid only if We determine that the claimant is entitled to benefits under the terms of the Policy. We may require supporting information which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- a) clinical records;
- b) charts;
- c) x-rays;
- d) Proof of Earnings; and
- e) other diagnostic aids.

#### MODE OF PAYMENT FOR DISABILITY

Disability benefits will be paid by Us monthly after We receive acceptable proof of Disability. Benefits will be paid to You, except benefits unpaid at Your death may be paid, at Our option, to:

- a) Your Eligible Survivor; or
- b) Your estate.

#### **REFUND TO US**

If it is found that We paid more benefits than We should have paid under the Policy, We have the right to a refund from You or the recipient of benefits.

We also have a right to a refund for any payments due to:

- a) fraud or misrepresentation;
- b) any error We make in processing a claim; or
- c) Your receipt of Other Income Sources.

You or the recipient of benefits must reimburse Us in full. We will determine the method by which the repayment is to be made, including without limitation, reducing or withholding Your Monthly Benefit or any benefits payable to You under any other disability insurance policy issued by Us. We will credit these payments to the refund until the refund is fully recovered.

#### **AUTHORITY TO INTERPRET POLICY**

By purchasing the Policy, the Policyholder grants Us the discretion and the final authority to construe and interpret the Policy. This means that We have the authority to decide all questions of eligibility and all questions regarding the amount and payment of any Policy benefits within the terms of the Policy as interpreted by Us. Benefits under the Policy will be paid only if We decide, in Our discretion, that a person is entitled to them. In making any decision, We may rely on the accuracy and completeness of any information furnished by the Policyholder, You or any other third party.

The Policyholder further grants Us the authority to delegate to third parties, including, without limitation, Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company and any third party administrator with whom We have contracted to provide claims administration and other administrative services, the discretionary authority granted in the Policy. The Policyholder expressly grants such third party the full discretionary authority granted to Us under this Policy.

You or Your beneficiary has the right to request a review of Our decision. If, after exercising the Policy's review procedures, You or Your beneficiary's claim for benefits is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You or Your beneficiary may file suit and a court will review Your or Your beneficiary's eligibility or entitlement to benefits under the Policy.

Policy benefits will be paid only if We determine, in Our discretion, that the claimant is entitled to benefits under the terms of the Policy (see the ERISA Summary Plan Description for additional information included with the Certificate).

#### CLAIM REVIEW AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Adverse Benefit Determination means a denial, reduction, or termination of a benefit or a failure to provide or make payment (in whole or in part) for a benefit. This includes, without limitation, any such denial, reduction or termination of a benefit, or failure to provide or make payment, that is based upon ineligibility for insurance under the Policy.

*Claimant* means the person who submits a claim for benefits under the Policy, including the authorized representative of such person.

#### **CLAIM REVIEW PROCEDURES**

Once We receive information necessary to evaluate the claim, We will make a decision within the time periods set forth below. In the event an extension is necessary due to matters beyond Our control, We will notify the Claimant of the extension and the circumstances requiring the extension.

Except when the Claimant voluntarily agrees to provide Us with additional time, extensions are limited as set forth below. If an extension is necessary due to the Claimant's failure to submit complete information, We will notify the Claimant of the additional information required. Such notice of incomplete information will be sent within the time periods set forth below.

In order for Us to continue processing the claim, the missing information must be provided to Us within the time periods set forth below. The Claimant may contact Us at any time for additional details about the processing of the claim.

#### **INITIAL CLAIM DECISION**

The period of time within which a claim decision will be made begins at the time the claim is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make a claim decision accompanies the filing. The applicable time periods are shown below:

- a) initial claim decision period: 45 days unless additional information is requested as set forth below;
- b) extension period: 30 days; and
- c) maximum number of extensions: two.

If additional information is needed, We will notify the Claimant within 10 days of Our receipt of the claim. Once the Claimant receives Our request for additional information, the Claimant will be given no less than 45 days to submit the additional information to Us. We will make Our determination within 15 days of Our receipt of the additional information. If We do not receive the additional information within the specified time period, We will make Our determination based upon the available information.

#### **CLAIM DENIALS**

If a request for a claim is denied, in whole or in part, the Claimant will receive notice of the denial, which will include:

- a) the specific reason(s) for the denial;
- b) reference to the specific Policy provisions on which the denial is based;
- c) a description of the appeal procedures and time limits applicable to such procedures, including the right to request an appeal within 180 days and the right to bring a civil action following the appeal process; and
- d) any other information which may be required under state or federal laws and regulations.

Additionally, if an internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion was relied upon in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, the Claimant has the right to request information about such internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was used in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, free of charge.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The Claimant shall have a reasonable opportunity to appeal a claim review decision. As part of the appeal, there will be a full and fair review of the claim review decision.

The Claimant will have no later than 180 days from the Claimant's receipt of notification of Our claim review decision to submit a request for an appeal. The request for an appeal should include:

- a) the Claimant's name;
- b) the name of the person filing the appeal if different from the Claimant;
- c) the Policy number; and
- d) the nature of the appeal.

The request for an appeal can be submitted in any manner and should include any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that should be considered by Us. The notification regarding Our claim review decision will include instructions on how and where to submit an appeal.

By requesting an appeal, the Claimant has authorized Us, or anyone designated by Us, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal.

A document, record, or other information will be considered relevant to a claim if it:

- a) was relied upon in making the claim decision;
- b) was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the claim decision, without regard to whether it was relied upon in making the claim decision; or
- c) demonstrates compliance with administrative processes and safeguards designed to ensure and verify that claim decisions are made in accordance with the Policy and that, where appropriate, Policy provisions have been applied consistently with respect to similarly situated claimants.

#### **RESPONSE TO APPEALS**

We will respond no later than 45 days from Our receipt of the request for an appeal. However, if We determine that an extension is required, We will notify the Claimant in writing of the extension prior to the termination of the initial appeal period. In no event will the extension exceed 45 days from the end of the initial appeal period. The extension notice will indicate the special circumstances requiring the extension and the date by which We expect to render the appeal decision.

When We make Our determination, the Claimant will be provided with:

- a) information regarding the decision; and
- b) information regarding other internal or external appeal or dispute resolution alternatives, including any required state mandated appeal rights.

The period of time within which an appeal decision is required to be made will begin at the time an appeal is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make an appeal decision accompanies the filing. If a period of time is extended as described above due to the Claimant's failure to submit information necessary to decide a claim, the period for making the appeal decision shall be "tolled" or suspended from the date on which the extension notice is sent until the earlier of (1) the date on which We receive the response; or (2) the date established by Us in the notice of extension for the furnishing of the requested information.

#### STANDARD PROVISIONS

#### **INSURANCE CONTRACT**

The insurance contract consists of:

- a) the Policy;
- b) the Policyholder's signed application attached to the Policy; and
- c) any application signed by You.

Statements in an application are considered representations and not warranties. We will not use any statements in Your application to deny a claim or to contest the validity of this insurance unless We provide You or Your beneficiary or personal representative with a copy of that application.

#### CHANGES IN THE INSURANCE CONTRACT

The insurance contract may be changed (including reducing or terminating benefits or increasing premium costs) any time We and the Policyholder both agree to a change. No one else has the authority to change the insurance contract. A change in the insurance contract:

- a) does not require Your consent; and
- b) must be:
  - 1. in writing;
  - 2. made a part of the Policy; and
  - 3. signed by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

A change may affect any class of Employees included in the Policy.

#### **INCONTESTABILITY**

We will not use any statements in Your application to contest the validity of this insurance after it has been in-force during Your lifetime for two years.

#### **LEGAL ACTIONS**

No legal action can be brought until at least 60 days after We have been given proof of loss. No legal action can be brought more than 3 years after the date proof of loss is required, unless otherwise required by state law in Your state of residence.

#### GENERAL DEFINITIONS

The following capitalized terms have the meanings assigned in this section. These terms are used throughout this Certificate.

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse and/or Substance Abuse means any condition or disease, regardless of its cause, listed in the most recent edition of the International Classification of Diseases as an alcohol or drug related condition or disease.

*Certificate* means this document that describes the benefits, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of the insurance provided under the Policy.

Current Earnings means any actual pre-tax monthly income You receive while You are working and eligible to receive a Monthly Benefit, or the pre-tax earnings You could receive if You were working at Your Maximum Capacity. If Your current earnings fluctuate, We may average Your current earnings over the most recent three-month period and continue Your claim provided the average does not exceed the percentage of Basic Monthly Earnings allowed by the Policy. A Monthly Benefit will not be payable for any month during which Your current earnings exceed that percentage.

Deferred Compensation means contributions You make through a salary reduction agreement with Policyholder to a plan or arrangement under the following Internal Revenue Code (IRC) sections or any other plan or arrangement defined as deferred compensation under the IRC:

- a) 401(k);
- b) 403(b);
- c) 408(k); or
- d) 457.

#### Dependent Child means:

- a) Your natural born or legally adopted child;
- b) Your stepchild or child of Your partner or equivalent Domestic Partner living in Your home; or
- c) any other child who lives with You in a regular parent/child relationship and who qualifies as Your "dependent" as defined in the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

#### Dependent child does not include:

- a) a child who is married or in a domestic partnership;
- b) a child who has been legally adopted by another person; or
- c) a child:
  - 1. temporarily living in Your home;
  - 2. placed in Your home by a social service agency which retains control over the child; or
  - 3. who has a natural parent in a position to exercise parental responsibility and control.

*Disability* and *Disabled* mean that because of an Injury or Sickness, a significant change in Your mental or physical functional capacity has occurred in which:

- a) during the Elimination Period, You are prevented from performing at least one of the Material Duties of Your Regular Occupation on a part-time or full-time basis; and
- b) after the Elimination Period, You are:
  - 1. prevented from performing at least one of the Material Duties of Your Regular Occupation on a part-time or full-time basis; and
  - 2. unable to generate Current Earnings which exceed 99% of Your Basic Monthly Earnings due to that same Injury or Sickness.

After a Monthly Benefit has been paid for 2 years, *Disability* and *Disabled* mean You are unable to perform all of the Material Duties of any Gainful Occupation.

Disability is determined relative to Your ability or inability to work. It is not determined by the availability of a suitable position with the Policyholder.

Domestic Partner means Your domestic partner or equivalent, as recognized and allowed by federal law, or by state law in Your state of residence.

*Eligible Survivor* means Your Spouse or Domestic Partner, if living; otherwise, it means Your Dependent Child under age 26. An eligible survivor must be living at the time of Your death.

*Elimination Period* means the number of days of Disability which must be satisfied before You are eligible to receive benefits. The elimination period is shown in the Schedule.

Employee means a person who is:

- a) a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; or
- b) lawfully and legally able to work in the United States pursuant to applicable federal and state laws; and
- c) receiving compensation from the Policyholder for work performed for the Policyholder at:
  - 1. the Policyholder's usual place of business;
  - 2. an alternative work site at the direction of the Policyholder; or
  - 3. a location to which the employee must travel to perform the job.

An employee does not include a person:

- a) who resides outside the United States for a period in excess of 12 consecutive months unless written approval has been received from Our authorized representative in Our home office;
- b) working on a seasonal or temporary basis; or
- c) performing services for the Policyholder as an independent contractor, including persons reporting income on a 1099 form or subject to the terms of a leasing agreement between the Policyholder and a leasing organization.

Full-Time means working the required number of hours to be considered a full-time employee of the Policyholder.

Gainful Occupation means an occupation for which You are reasonably fitted by training, education or experience.

*Gross Monthly Benefit* means Your Monthly Benefit amount before any reduction for Other Income Sources and Current Earnings.

Hospital means an accredited facility licensed by the proper authority of the area in which it is located to provide care and treatment for the condition causing confinement. A hospital does not include a facility or institution or part of a facility or institution which is licensed or used principally as a clinic, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or home for the aged, halfway house or board and care facilities.

*Injury* means an accidental bodily injury that requires treatment by a Physician. It must result in loss independently of Sickness and other causes. Disability resulting from an injury must occur while You are insured under the Policy.

Material Duties means the essential tasks, functions, and operations relating to an occupation that cannot be reasonably omitted or modified. In no event will We consider working an average of more than the required Full-Time hours per week in itself to be a part of material duties. One of the material duties of Your Regular Occupation is the ability to work for an employer on a full-time basis.

Maximum Capacity means, based on Your medical restrictions and limitations:

- a) during the first 24 months of Disability payments, the greatest extent of work You are able to do in Your Regular Occupation; and
- b) after 24 months of Disability payments, the greatest extent of work You are able to do in any occupation that is reasonably available and for which You are reasonably fitted by education, training, or experience.

Maximum Monthly Benefit means the maximum dollar amount of disability benefit You may receive per month as shown in the Schedule.

Medically Necessary means care that is ordered, prescribed, or rendered by a Physician or Hospital, and is determined by Us, or a qualified party or entity selected by Us, to be:

- a) provided for the diagnosis or direct treatment of Your Injury or Sickness;
- appropriate and consistent with the symptoms and findings or diagnosis and treatment of Your Injury or Sickness;
   and
- c) provided in accordance with generally accepted national professional standards and/or medical practice.

*Mental Disorder* means any condition or disease, regardless of its cause, listed in the most recent edition of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) and the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) as a mental disorder. Not included in this definition are conditions or diseases related to Alcohol and Drug Abuse and/or Substance Abuse.

Monthly Benefit means the amount of disability benefit You may receive per month as described in the Schedule.

Our, We, Us means United of Omaha Life Insurance Company.

Physician means any of the following licensed practitioners:

- a) a doctor of medicine (MD), osteopathy (DO), podiatry (DPM) or chiropractic (DC);
- b) a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- c) a Master's level counselor and licensed or certified social worker who is acting under the supervision of a doctor of medicine or a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- d) a licensed physician's assistant (PA) or nurse practitioner (NP); or
- e) where required by law, any other licensed practitioner of a healing art who is acting within the scope of his/her license.

#### A physician does not include:

- a) a naturopathic doctor;
- b) an acupuncturist;
- c) a physician in training; or
- d) You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner, any person who lives with You, a child, brother, sister or parent of You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner.

*Plan Administrator* means the person or entity designated as the plan administrator for the Policyholder's group disability welfare benefit plan.

*Policy* means the group policy issued to the Policyholder by Us, including this Certificate.

Policy Anniversary means January 1 of each Policy Year.

Policy Effective Date means January 1, 2019.

*Policy Year* means the period commencing on the Policy Effective Date and ending on the next succeeding Policy Anniversary and, thereafter, each 12-month period commencing on the Policy Anniversary.

Policyholder's Retirement Plan means any Retirement Plan:

- a) which is part of any federal, state, county, municipal, or association retirement system; and
- b) for which You are eligible as a result of employment with the Policyholder.

#### Proof of Earnings means:

- a) copies of Your U.S. individual income tax returns and business income tax returns, including all forms, schedules and attachments, if applicable;
- b) payroll records; and
- c) any other records We request.

Regular and Appropriate Care and Treatment means You visit and receive care and treatment from a Physician as frequently as is medically required, to effectively manage and treat Your Injury or Sickness. Such care and treatment must be:

- a) Medically Necessary;
- b) received from a Physician whose expertise, medical training, and clinical experience are suitable for treating Your Injury or Sickness; and
- c) received primarily is to improve Your medical condition and thereby aid in Your ability to return to work.

Regular Occupation means the occupation You are routinely performing when Your Disability begins. Your regular occupation is not limited to Your specific position held with the Policyholder, but will instead be considered to be a similar position or activity based on job descriptions included in the most current edition of the U.S. Department of Labor Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT). We have the right to substitute or replace the DOT with another service or other information that We determine to be of comparable purpose, with or without notice. To determine Your regular occupation, We will look at Your occupation as it is normally performed in the national economy, instead of how work tasks are performed for a specific employer, at a specific location, or in a specific area or region.

Retirement Plan means a plan which:

- a) provides benefits to You, either in a lump sum or in the form of periodic payments, upon the later of:
  - 1. early or normal retirement as defined in the plan or under the U.S. Social Security Act; or

- 2. disability, if the payment does not reduce the amount of money which would have been paid at the normal retirement age under the plan if the disability had not occurred; and
- b) is not funded wholly by Your contributions.

A retirement plan shall not include a profit-sharing plan or a plan such as a 401(k), a thrift plan, an individual retirement account (IRA), a tax sheltered annuity (TSA), a stock ownership plan, or a Deferred Compensation plan.

*Sickness* means a disease, disorder or condition, including pregnancy, that requires treatment by a Physician. Disability resulting from a sickness must occur while You are insured under the Policy. Sickness does not include elective or cosmetic surgery or procedures, or resulting complications. Sickness includes the donation of an organ in a non-experimental organ transplant procedure.

Spouse means the person to whom You are legally married.

You, Your means the Employee who is insured under the Policy.

#### ADDITIONAL SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION

The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) requires that certain information be furnished to eligible participants in an employee benefits plan. The employee benefits plan maintained by the Policyholder shall be referred to herein as the "Plan."

This document, in conjunction with Your Certificate, is Your ERISA Summary Plan Description for the insurance benefits described herein.

Contributions are made solely by the Policyholder. Contributions are based on the amount of insurance premiums necessary to provide Plan coverage.

The Plan provides coverage for more than one class of Employees.

The benefits under the Plan are fully insured by Us under a group insurance policy issued by Us. Benefits under the Policy are guaranteed to the extent all Policy provisions are met and subject to all terms and conditions of the Policy (including, but not limited to, all exclusions, limitations and exceptions in the Policy). Our home office is located at Mutual of Omaha Plaza, Omaha, NE 68175.

#### **EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PLAN NUMBER**

The Employer Identification Number (EIN) is: 22-3684941

The Plan Number is: 501

#### **PLAN ADMINISTRATOR**

The Plan is provided through and administered by:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (703) 962-9747

#### AGENT FOR SERVICE OF LEGAL PROCESS

The agent for service of legal process upon the Plan is:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (703) 962-9747

#### **PLAN YEAR**

Each 12-month period beginning on January 1 is a "plan year" for the purposes of accounting and all reports to the U.S. Department of Labor and other regulatory bodies.

#### STATEMENT OF ERISA RIGHTS

As a participant in the Plan, You are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ERISA provides that all Plan participants shall be entitled to:

#### a) Receive Information About Your Plan and Benefits

- 1. Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations, all documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.
- 2. Obtain, upon written request to the Plan Administrator, copies of documents governing the operation of the Plan, including insurance contracts and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) and updated Summary Plan Description. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.
- 3. Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

#### b) Prudent Actions by Plan Fiduciaries

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

#### c) Enforce Your Rights

If Your claim for a benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You have a right to know why this was done, to obtain copies of documents relating to the decision without charge, and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules.

Under ERISA, there are steps You can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if You request a copy of Plan documents or the latest annual report from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, You may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay You up to \$110 a day until You receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Administrator. If You have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You may file suit in a state or Federal court. In addition, if You disagree with the Plan's decision or lack thereof concerning the qualified status of a domestic relations order or a medical child support order, You may file suit in Federal court. If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if You are discriminated against for asserting Your rights, You may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or You may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If You are successful the court may order the person You have sued to pay these costs and fees. If You lose, the court may order You to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds Your claim is frivolous.

#### d) Assistance with Your Questions

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

#### **PLAN DISCLOSURES**

You are entitled to request from the Plan Administrator, without charge, information applicable to the Plan's benefits and procedures. In addition, Your Certificate includes, as applicable, a description of:

- a) employee eligibility requirements;
- b) when insurance ends;
- c) state or federal continuation rights; and
- d) claims procedures.

#### **PLAN CHANGES**

The persons with authority to change, including the authority to terminate, the Plan on behalf of the Policyholder are the Policyholder's Board of Directors or other governing body, or any person or persons authorized by resolution of the Board or other governing body to take such action. Please refer to the provision in Your Certificate entitled "Changes in the Insurance Contract" for information about how the Policy can be changed. The Policyholder's benefits area is authorized to apply for and accept the Policy and any changes to the Policy on behalf of the Policyholder.

# **Group Long-Term Disability Benefits**

**Trace Systems Inc.** 

**Group Number: G000BCQH** 

**United of Omaha Life Insurance Company** 

Home Office: Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175



# YOUR GROUP VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE BENEFITS



FOR EMPLOYEES OF:		
Trace Systems Inc.		
CLASS(ES):		
All Other Eligible Employees		
REVISION EFFECTIVE DATE:		

#### **PUBLICATION DATE:**

December 1, 2020

January 1, 2021

# NOTICE(S)

THIS CERTIFICATE DESCRIBES THE BENEFITS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU. PLEASE READ YOUR CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY. BENEFITS ARE PROVIDED THROUGH A GROUP POLICY ISSUED IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF FLORIDA

THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN FLORIDA.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF MARYLAND

THE GROUP INSURANCE POLICY PROVIDING COVERAGE UNDER THIS CERTIFICATE WAS ISSUED IN A JURISDICTION OTHER THAN MARYLAND AND MAY NOT PROVIDE ALL OF THE BENEFITS REQUIRED BY MARYLAND LAW.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA

THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN NORTH CAROLINA. PLEASE READ YOUR POLICY CAREFULLY.

## **FRAUD WARNING**

Any person who, with the intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violated state law.

Group Number: G000BCQH

If You have any questions about or concerns with this insurance, please first contact the Policyholder or Your benefits administrator. If, after doing so, You still have a question or concern, You may contact Us at:

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175 Call Toll-Free: 1-800-775-8805 www.mutualofomaha.com

When contacting Us, please have Your Policy number available.

After the above contact, and if Your problem is not resolved, You may contact the Virginia State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance at:

Bureau of Insurance – SCC P.O. Box 1157 Richmond, VA 23218

Phone: 1-800-552-7945 (in state only); 1-804-371-9741 (out of state); 1-877-310-6560

IF YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH YOUR CERTIFICATE, YOU MAY RETURN IT TO US WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER YOU RECEIVE IT, UNLESS A CLAIM HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN RECEIVED BY US UNDER YOUR CERTIFICATE. WE WILL REFUND WITHIN 30 DAYS OF OUR RECEIPT OF THE RETURNED CERTIFICATE ANY PREMIUM THAT HAS BEEN PAID AND THE CERTIFICATE WILL THEN BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE NEVER BEEN ISSUED. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT IF YOU ELECT TO RETURN THE CERTIFICATE FOR A REFUND OF PREMIUMS, LOSSES WHICH OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED UNDER YOUR CERTIFICATE WILL NOT BE COVERED.

# ABOUT LIVING BENEFITS (ACCELERATED BENEFIT)

LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS (BENEFITS PAYABLE BY REASON OF THE DEATH OF YOU) WILL BE REDUCED IF BENEFITS ARE PAID UNDER THE LIVING BENEFITS (ACCELERATED BENEFIT) PROVISION.

This disclosure is a brief summary of the Living Benefits (Accelerated Benefit) provision and its effect on life insurance benefits.

An eligible Insured Person may receive payment of part of the amount of life insurance in effect for the Insured Person while living if the Insured Person has been diagnosed with a terminal condition. A terminal condition means an injury or sickness that is expected to result in death within the number of months stated in the Certificate, as certified by a Physician. Please refer to the Living Benefits (Accelerated Benefit) provision of this Certificate for information regarding who is eligible for this benefit and the complete definition of Terminal Condition.

This benefit is included in the premium paid for life insurance. There is no separate premium charge for this benefit. The premium for life insurance does not change if benefits are paid under the Living Benefits (Accelerated Benefit) provision.

The Living Benefits offered under this contract **may or may not** qualify for favorable tax treatment under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended). Whether such benefits qualify depends on factors such as the life expectancy of You at the time benefits are accelerated or whether You use the benefits to pay for necessary long-term care expenses, such as nursing home care. If the Living Benefits qualify for favorable tax treatment, the benefits will be excludable from Your income and not subject to federal taxation. Tax laws relating to Living Benefits are complex. You are advised to consult with a qualified tax advisor about circumstances under which You could receive Living Benefits excludable from income under federal law.

Receipt of Living Benefits may affect Your, Your Spouse's or Domestic Partner'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 Spouse's or Domestic Partner's or Your family's eligibility for public assistance.



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#### CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

#### UNITED OF OMAHA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Home Office: Mutual of Omaha Plaza Omaha, Nebraska 68175

United of Omaha Life Insurance Company certifies that Group Policy Number GVTL-BCQH (the Policy) has been issued to Trace Systems Inc. (the Policyholder).

Insurance is provided for Employees of the Policyholder subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

Please read this Certificate carefully. The benefits described in this Certificate are effective only if You and Your Dependent(s), if applicable, are eligible for the insurance, become insured and remain insured as described in this Certificate and according to the terms and conditions of the Policy.

If the provisions of this Certificate and those of the Policy do not agree, the provisions of the Policy will apply. The Policy is part of a contract between United of Omaha Life Insurance Company and the Policyholder, and may be amended, changed or terminated without Your consent or notice to You.

Corporate Secretary

This Certificate replaces any certificate previously issued under the Policy.

Chief Executive Officer

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#### **SCHEDULE**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### CLASS(ES)

All Other Eligible Employees

#### LIFE INSURANCE FOR YOU (THE EMPLOYEE)

You may elect to be insured for an amount of life insurance from \$10,000 to \$500,000, in increments of \$10,000. In no event shall Your amount of life insurance exceed 7 times Your Annual Earnings, rounded to the next higher multiple of \$10,000.

Your amount of life insurance is subject to any reductions indicated in the Benefit Reductions provision in this Schedule. If You have questions regarding the amount of Your life insurance, You may contact the Policyholder.

#### LIFE INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENT(S)

You may elect to have Your Spouse or Domestic Partner insured for an amount of life insurance from \$5,000 to \$250,000, in increments of \$5,000, provided the amount elected does not exceed 100% of Your amount of life insurance.

Your Spouse's or Domestic Partner's amount of life insurance is subject to any reductions indicated in the Benefit Reductions provision in this Schedule.

You may elect to have Your eligible Dependent child(ren) insured for an amount of life insurance from \$5,000 to \$10,000, in increments of \$5,000, provided the amount elected does not exceed 100% of Your amount of life insurance. Each eligible Dependent child must have the same amount of insurance.

If You have questions regarding the amount of life insurance for Your Dependent(s), You may contact the Policyholder.

#### **GUARANTEE ISSUE AMOUNT(S) AND EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY**

Guarantee Issue Amount(s) is/are subject to any reductions indicated in the Benefit Reductions provision of this Schedule. In addition, guarantee issue is only available if the total number of Employees insured under the Policy attains or remains above 10 Employees or 25% of the eligible Employees, whichever is greater. If the total number falls below the required level, the Guarantee Issue Amount(s) may be reduced or rescinded.

#### **Guarantee Issue Amount For You (The Employee)**

Your Guarantee Issue Amount is 7 times Your Annual Earnings or \$100,000, whichever is less, unless You were insured under a Prior Plan. If You were insured under a Prior Plan, Your Guarantee Issue Amount is equal to the amount of insurance that was in-force for You under a Prior Plan the day before the Policy Effective Date, but in no event more than the maximum amount of insurance stated in the Life Insurance for You (the Employee) section of this Schedule.

#### **Guarantee Issue Amount For Your Spouse or Domestic Partner**

The Guarantee Issue Amount for Your Spouse or Domestic Partner is 100% of Your elected amount of life insurance or \$25,000, whichever is less, unless Your Spouse or Domestic Partner was insured under a Prior Plan. If Your Spouse or Domestic Partner was insured under a Prior Plan, the Guarantee Issue Amount for Your Spouse or Domestic Partner is equal to the amount of insurance that was in-force for Your Spouse or Domestic Partner under a Prior Plan the day before the Policy Effective Date, but in no event more than the maximum amount of insurance for Your Spouse or Domestic Partner stated in the Life Insurance for Your Dependent(s) section of this Schedule.

#### **Guarantee Issue Amount For Your Dependent Child(ren)**

The Guarantee Issue Amount for Your Dependent child(ren) is 100% of Your elected amount of life insurance, unless Your Dependent child(ren) were insured under a Prior Plan. If Your Dependent child(ren) were insured under a Prior Plan, the Guarantee Issue Amount for Your Dependent child(ren) is equal to the amount of insurance that was in-force for Your Dependent child(ren) under a Prior Plan the day before the Policy Effective Date, but in no event more than the maximum

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amount of insurance for Your Dependent child(ren) stated in the Life Insurance for Your Dependent(s) section of this Schedule.

Insurance for You and Your Dependent(s), if applicable, is only available on a guarantee issue basis:

- a) during Your First Enrollment Period;
- b) during a Subsequent Enrollment Period; or
- c) as otherwise stated or allowed in the Policy.

## **Evidence of Insurability**

Evidence of Insurability is required for:

- a) insurance elected more than 31 days after the date the Employee or Spouse becomes eligible;
- b) any amount of insurance elected in excess of a Guarantee Issue Amount for the Employee or Spouse;
- c) any increase in the amount of insurance after the initial election of insurance for the Employee or Spouse, unless during a Subsequent Enrollment Period or as otherwise stated or allowed in the Policy;
- d) an Employee or Spouse who was eligible for insurance under a Prior Plan but did not elect such insurance; or
- e) an Employee or Spouse whose amount of insurance elected under the Policy is in excess of the amount of insurance that was in-force under a Prior Plan the day before the Policy Effective Date, unless during a Subsequent Enrollment Period or as otherwise stated or allowed in the Policy.

If Evidence of Insurability is required for items a), d) or e) above, We may require that such evidence be provided at Your expense.

#### **BENEFIT REDUCTIONS**

As You grow older, the amount of life insurance for You and Your Spouse or Domestic Partner will be reduced according to the following schedule:

At the Age of:	The Original Amount of Insurance Will Reduce to:
65	
	50%

Reductions become effective on the first day of the Policy month that coincides with or follows the day You reach the specified age. Any reduced amount of insurance will round to the nearest dollar.

If You are age 65 or older on the date insurance becomes effective, the amount of life insurance for You and Your Spouse or Domestic Partner will be reduced as shown above. Thereafter, the amount of life insurance will continue to reduce in accord with the schedule above.

If a reduction to Your amount of insurance causes an amount of insurance for one or more of Your Dependents to exceed the maximum amount of insurance described previously in this Schedule, the amount of insurance for the Dependent will be adjusted to comply with the maximum available.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Actively Working, Active Work means an Employee is performing the normal duties of his or her regular job for the Policyholder on a regular and continuous basis 30 or more hours each week. An Employee will be considered to be actively working on any day that is a regular paid holiday or day of vacation, or regular or scheduled non-working day, provided the Employee was actively working on the last preceding regular work day.

Activities of Daily Living means the basic activities of daily living consisting of the following self-care tasks:

- a) personal hygiene (bathing, grooming, shaving and oral care);
- b) dressing and undressing (putting on and taking off all items of clothing and any necessary braces or artificial limbs);
- c) eating (the ability to feed oneself);
- d) transferring (from bed to chair, and back; from sitting to standing, and back);
- e) continence (controlling bladder and bowel function);
- f) toileting (the ability to use a restroom); and
- g) moving around (as opposed to being bedridden).

Disability Elimination Period means the period of time that must be satisfied before You are eligible to continue benefits, beginning on the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred. The length of the disability elimination period is shown in the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision.

Eligibility Waiting Period means a continuous period of Active Work that an Employee must satisfy before becoming eligible for insurance as described in the When an Employee Becomes Eligible for Insurance (Eligibility Waiting Period) provision.

Life Event means:

- a) a change in Your legal marital status or domestic partnership (or equivalent);
- b) a change in the number of Your Dependents; or
- c) a significant cost or coverage change under any other employer or group sponsored life plan under which You or Your Dependent(s) are covered.

Partial Disability, Partially Disabled means that, because of an Injury or Sickness lasting longer than 12 months, You are unable to perform the normal duties of Your regular job for the Policyholder on a regular or continuous basis, but are able to satisfy all other requirements of the Active Work definition.

*Recurrent Disability* means a Total Disability which is related to or due to the same cause(s) of a prior Total Disability for which You were approved for coverage under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision of the Policy.

*Total Disability, Totally Disabled* means that because of an Injury or Sickness You are completely and continuously unable to perform any work or engage in any occupation.

#### WHEN AN EMPLOYEE BECOMES ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE (ELIGIBILITY WAITING PERIOD)

An Employee who is Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the Policy Effective Date.

An Employee who is hired after the Policy Effective Date becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the day the Employee begins Active Work.

The day on which an Employee becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy may not be the same as the day on which insurance begins. The When Insurance Begins provision describes the day on which insurance begins.

#### WHEN A DEPENDENT BECOMES ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE

A Dependent becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy on the later of:

- a) the day You become eligible for insurance under the Policy; or
- b) the day You acquire the Dependent;

provided You elect insurance for yourself under the Policy.

If both You and Your Spouse or Domestic Partner are eligible for insurance under the Policy as Employees of the Policyholder, neither You nor Your Spouse or Domestic Partner may elect insurance as a Dependent of the other person.

If both You and Your Spouse or Domestic Partner are eligible for insurance under the Policy as Employees of the Policyholder, both You and Your Spouse or Domestic Partner may elect insurance for Your Dependent child(ren) under the Policy.

In order to insure an eligible Dependent child, You must insure all of Your eligible Dependent child(ren).

The day on which a Dependent becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy may not be the same as the day on which insurance begins. The When Insurance Begins provision describes the day on which insurance begins.

#### CONTINUITY OF INSURANCE UPON TRANSFER OF INSURANCE CARRIER

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

If the Policy replaces a Prior Plan, the Policy will provide insurance for an Employee who:

- a) was insured under the Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date;
- b) is otherwise eligible under the Policy, but is not Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date due to:
  - 1. Injury or Sickness; or
  - 2. a leave of absence protected under:
    - a. the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and any amendments thereto; or
    - b. any other applicable federal or state law that allows for continuation of insurance in certain instances;
- c) is not eligible for benefits or continuation of insurance under any provision of the Prior Plan;
- d) is not a retired Employee; and
- e) is not Totally Disabled on the Policy Effective Date.

Insurance under this provision is subject to the following conditions:

- a) insurance under the Policy may not exceed Your amount of insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date;
- b) the benefit payable under the Policy will be the amount which would have been paid by the Prior Plan had insurance remained in-force under the Prior Plan, less the amount of any benefit payable under the Prior Plan;
- c) the Policyholder must notify Us in writing prior to the Policy Effective Date of the amount of Your insurance under the Prior Plan on the day before the Policy Effective Date;
- d) insurance is subject to uninterrupted payment of premium to Us when due; and
- e) insurance is subject to any reductions shown in the Schedule and all other terms and conditions of the Policy.

If insurance is provided for the Employee, insurance may also be provided for any eligible Dependent(s).

We reserve the right to request any information We need from the Policyholder to determine whether the conditions necessary to be eligible for insurance under this provision have been satisfied.

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of:

- a) the day the Employee returns to Active Work for the Policyholder or begins employment with any other employer;
- b) the last day the Employee would have been insured under the Prior Plan, if the Prior Plan had not ended or terminated:
- c) the day the Employee's insurance under the Policy ends for any reason shown in the When Insurance Ends provision; or
- d) the last day of the twelfth month following the Policy Effective Date.

If an Employee is eligible for insurance under this provision, the Employee will not be eligible for insurance under any continuation provision or the Portability provision in this Certificate.

If Your insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You and Your Dependent(s) may be able to obtain insurance under the Conversion provision.

Persons who are not eligible for insurance under this provision may be eligible to apply for conversion of insurance under the Prior Plan and should contact the Policyholder for additional information.

#### WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS

An eligible Employee must enroll for insurance by submitting a Written Request for insurance for the Employee and any Dependent(s). The Written Request must be submitted to the Policyholder within 31 days following the day the Employee or Dependent(s) become(s) eligible. If the Written Request for insurance is not submitted within 31 days following the day the Employee or Dependent(s) become(s) eligible for insurance, the Employee and/or Dependent(s) must provide Evidence of Insurability.

An eligible Employee will become insured on the latest of the day:

- a) the Employee begins Active Work;
- b) the Employee submits a Written Request to enroll for insurance, if applicable; or
- c) We approve Evidence of Insurability, if required.

If the Employee is not Actively Working on the day insurance would otherwise begin, insurance will begin on the day the Employee returns to Active Work.

An eligible Dependent will become insured on the latest of the day:

- a) the Employee becomes insured, unless otherwise agreed to by Our authorized representative in Our home office;
- b) the Employee acquires the eligible Dependent;
- c) the Employee submits a Written Request to enroll the Dependent for insurance, if applicable; or
- d) We approve Evidence of Insurability, if required.

An eligible Employee or Dependent must provide Evidence of Insurability if it is required. An eligible Employee or Dependent will become insured for any amount of insurance that requires Evidence of Insurability, including any amount of insurance in excess of the Guarantee Issue Amount (if applicable) for the Employee and any Dependent(s) on the first day of the month that follows the day We approve Evidence of Insurability.

## **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS**

This provision does not apply if the Employee is eligible for coverage under the Continuity of Insurance Upon Transfer of Insurance Carrier provision.

Insurance for an Employee or Dependent who is:

- a) Totally Disabled (with respect to the Employee);
- b) confined in a Hospital as an inpatient;
- c) confined in any institution or facility other than a Hospital; or
- d) confined at home and under the care or supervision of a Physician;

on the day insurance is to begin will not take effect until the day after the Employee has completed one full day of Active Work or Dependent is no longer confined.

Insurance for an Employee who is not Actively Working on the Policy Effective Date due to Injury or Sickness will not take effect until the day after the Employee has completed one full day of Active Work.

In addition, insurance for a Dependent who is unable to perform two or more Activities of Daily Living (ADLs), whether or not confined, will not take effect until the day the Dependent has performed all ADLs for at least 15 consecutive days.

Insurance for a Dependent child who became Incapacitated prior to reaching the age of 26 will begin in accordance with the When Insurance Begins provision, provided the child otherwise meets the definition of Dependent.

Insurance for a newborn Dependent child, regardless of confinement, will begin in accordance with the When Insurance Begins provision, provided the child otherwise meets the definition of Dependent.

## THE FIRST ENROLLMENT PERIOD

An Employee may elect insurance for him/herself and any Dependent(s) during the First Enrollment Period.

If an Employee does not elect insurance during the Employee's or Dependent's First Enrollment Period, future elections may only be made in accordance with the Subsequent Enrollment Periods provision, or as otherwise provided under the When Election Changes Are Permitted provision.

## SUBSEQUENT ENROLLMENT PERIODS

An Employee may elect, drop, increase, decrease or change insurance for the Employee and any Dependent(s) during a Subsequent Enrollment Period.

#### WHEN ELECTION CHANGES ARE PERMITTED

An Employee may elect, drop, increase, decrease or change insurance as allowed by the Policyholder. Any election of or increase in insurance for an Employee or Dependent will require Evidence of Insurability unless otherwise stated or allowed in the Policy.

#### Life Events

Within 31 days of a Life Event, You may submit a Written Request to change insurance.

If You experience a Life Event and You are currently insured under the Policy, insurance for You and any Dependent(s) may be issued up to the Guarantee Issue Amount without Evidence of Insurability. For any amount of insurance over the Guarantee Issue Amount, or if the Written Request is submitted more than 31 days after the date of a Life Event, We will require Evidence of Insurability.

An Employee who experiences a Life Event who previously declined insurance under the Policy must submit Evidence of Insurability for any change of insurance to be considered by Us.

## **Annual Increase Option**

You may submit a Written Request to increase the amount of insurance once a year, provided the new amount of insurance does not exceed the maximum benefit amount shown in the Schedule. You may increase Your amount of insurance by up to \$10,000, in increments as shown in the Schedule.

If the amount of insurance requested exceeds the Guarantee Issue Amount, Evidence of Insurability will be required. If Evidence of Insurability is required for this provision, such evidence will only be required once and will serve as acceptable proof for any future requests to increase the amount of insurance under this provision. This election may be made once a year within a time period designated by the Policyholder and approved by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

# **CHANGES TO INSURANCE BENEFITS**

Any allowable change in Your or Your Dependent's class or amount of insurance, whether requested by You or the Policyholder, or as a result of the terms of the Policy, will take effect on the first day of the month that follows the date of the request or the change, or the first day of the month that follows the day We approve Evidence of Insurability (if required by Us), whichever is later.

For any increase in insurance, We will use the Policyholder's records and/or the premium We have received to verify that the amount of insurance being requested is the appropriate insurance amount for which the Insured Person is eligible under the terms of the Policy.

If You are not Actively Working on the day any increase in insurance would otherwise take effect, the increase will become effective the first day of the month that follows the day after You return to Active Work.

#### REINSTATEMENT OF INSURANCE

You may be eligible to reinstate insurance that has ended for You and/or Your Dependent(s) in accordance with this provision. You must submit a Written Request to reinstate insurance within 31 days of Your return to Active Work. We will require Evidence of Insurability if the amount of insurance being requested exceeds the amount of insurance in effect on the Employee's last day of Active Work.

Reinstated insurance will take effect on the date of the Written Request, or the first day of the month that follows the day We approve Evidence of Insurability (if required by Us), whichever is later. If You are not Actively Working on the day the reinstated insurance would otherwise take effect, insurance will become effective on the day after You return to Active Work.

The following reinstatement option(s) is/are available:

## Non-Payment of Premium or Voluntary Termination of Insurance

If insurance ended due to Your non-payment of premium or voluntary termination of insurance, We will require Evidence of Insurability to reinstate insurance.

## **Involuntary Reduction in Hours**

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to an involuntary reduction of hours worked, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee returns to Active Work and there was no break in employment with the Policyholder after the date insurance ended.

## Rehired Employee Due to Layoff or Termination

If insurance ended because the Employee was no longer Actively Working due to layoff or termination of employment with the Policyholder, insurance may be reinstated without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period if the Employee is rehired and returns to Active Work within 90 days from the date insurance ended.

## Rehired Employee Due to Leave of Absence

If insurance ended due to an approved leave of absence, insurance may be reinstated within 90 days from the date insurance ended without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period upon return to Active Work. If insurance ended due to military leave, insurance may be reinstated upon return to Active Work immediately after discharge from active duty without satisfying another Eligibility Waiting Period.

#### **Transfer From Portability or Conversion**

If insurance was obtained under the Portability or Conversion provision while an Employee was not Actively Working, insurance may be reinstated up to the amount of insurance that was in effect on the last day of Active Work. Any insurance provided through the Portability provision will terminate upon reinstatement of insurance as an Actively Working Employee.

## WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

Insurance will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) an Insured Person is no longer eligible for insurance under the Policy; or
- b) an Insured Person begins active duty in the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves of any state or country (except for temporary active duty of 31 days or less).

Insurance will also end:

- a) on the day the Policy terminates; or
- b) in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

## NOTICE TO YOU WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

The Policyholder is required to notify You when insurance under the Policy ends if:

- a) You or any of Your Dependent(s) cease to be eligible for insurance under the Policy; or
- b) the Policy is discontinued and is not replaced by another policy or plan with no interruption in coverage.

Notice shall be provided within 15 days from the date insurance ends for You or any of Your Dependent(s), and shall include information about any options available to continue or obtain insurance.

#### **EXCEPTIONS TO WHEN INSURANCE ENDS**

If insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s) would otherwise end, You and/or Your Dependent(s) may be able to continue or obtain insurance under one of the following provisions:

- a) Continuation of Insurance for Layoff or Leave
- b) Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness
- c) Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability
- d) Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium
- e) Portability
- f) Conversion

## CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR LAYOFF OR LEAVE

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

You may be able to continue insurance for You and Your Dependent(s) from the day You cease to be Actively Working in the event of:

- a) a temporary involuntary layoff; or
- b) a leave of absence approved by the Policyholder due to any personal reason.

In addition, the federal Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and any amendments thereto, as well as other applicable federal or state laws, may allow continuation of insurance in certain instances for leaves of absence, layoff or termination. Contact the Policyholder for additional information regarding any other continuation options that may be available.

Any insurance continued under this provision will be subject to the following conditions:

- a) insurance may not be continued beyond the earliest of:
  - 1. 12 weeks for Your temporary involuntary layoff;
  - 2. 12 weeks for Your leave of absence; or
  - 3. the time period allowed by FMLA, USERRA or applicable federal or state law that allows for continuation;
- b) the amount of insurance may not be increased while insurance is continued under this provision;
- c) We receive notification of the approved layoff or leave from the Policyholder within 31 days from the date You cease Active Work; and
- d) We continue to receive premium payment when due (premiums must be paid by You or on Your behalf).

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) the time period in a) in the preceding paragraph has been satisfied;
- b) Your temporary involuntary layoff becomes permanent, if insurance is continued under this provision due to Your temporary involuntary layoff;
- c) You return to Active Work;
- d) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder; or
- e) the Policy terminates.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If continued insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You and Your Dependent(s) may be able to continue or obtain insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision, Portability provision or Conversion provision.

If Your leave is due to an Injury or Sickness which may result in Your Total Disability, We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

See the Options for Payment of Premium for Continued Insurance provision for premium payment options.

## CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR INJURY OR SICKNESS

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

When Your insurance would otherwise end due to Your Injury or Sickness, You may be able to continue insurance under this provision. In such circumstances, the total continuation period under this provision and the Continuation of Insurance for Layoff or Leave provision, if You were previously insured under this provision, shall not exceed 12 months. Insurance may be continued for You and Your Dependent(s).

Insurance may be continued under this provision if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a) We receive notification of Your Injury or Sickness from the Policyholder within 31 days from the date You cease Active Work or Your insurance would otherwise end; and
- b) We continue to receive timely premium payment when due (premiums must be paid by You or on Your behalf).

The amount of insurance may not be increased while insured under this provision.

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) that is 12 months from the day You cease Active Work;
- b) You return to Active Work;
- c) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder; or
- d) the Policy terminates.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If continued insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You and Your Dependent(s) may be able to continue or obtain insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision, Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision, Portability provision or Conversion provision.

If Your leave is due to an Injury or Sickness which may result in Your Total Disability, We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

See the Options for Payment of Premium for Continued Insurance provision of this Certificate for premium payment options.

## **CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR PARTIAL DISABILITY**

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

When You are no longer eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision, You may be able to continue insurance under this provision due to Your Partial Disability. Insurance may be continued for You and Your Dependent(s).

Insurance may be continued under this provision if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a) You are Partially Disabled, but not Totally Disabled;
- b) We receive notification of Your Partial Disability from the Policyholder within 31 days from the date You are no longer eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision; and
- c) We continue to receive timely premium payment when due (premiums must be paid by You or on Your behalf).

The amount of insurance may not be increased while insured under this provision.

Insurance under this provision will end on the earliest of the day:

- a) You return to Active Work;
- b) Your Injury or Sickness results in Your Total Disability and You are eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision;
- c) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder; or
- d) the Policy terminates.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

If Your insurance under this provision ends and You have not returned to Active Work, You and Your Dependent(s) may be able to obtain insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision, Portability provision or Conversion provision.

If Your Partial Disability may result in Your Total Disability, We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

See the Options for Payment of Premium for Continued Insurance provision of this Certificate for premium payment options.

## CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR TOTAL DISABILITY WITH WAIVER OF PREMIUM

If there is a conflict between this provision and any other provision of the Policy, this provision shall control.

When Your insurance ends under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision or Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision, You may be able to continue insurance under this provision due to Your Total Disability. After satisfaction of the Disability Elimination Period, and upon submission of proof of Total Disability acceptable to Us, Your insurance may be continued without payment of premium until insurance ends in accordance with this provision.

We must receive notification of Your potential Total Disability on Our total disability claim form within 9 months of the date Your Injury or Sickness occurred, or as soon as reasonably possible.

Insurance may be continued under this provision if the following conditions are satisfied:

- a) You are Totally Disabled;
- b) You were under age 60 at the time You became Totally Disabled;
- c) the Disability Elimination Period is satisfied; and
- d) proof of Total Disability is provided to Us (as described below in this provision).

The amount of insurance may not be increased while insured under this provision.

Insurance may only be continued for You. If You are able to continue insurance under this provision, Your Dependent(s) may be able to obtain insurance under the Portability or Conversion provision.

If You are age 60 or older and become Totally Disabled, You and Your Dependent(s) may be able to obtain insurance under the Portability or Conversion provision.

## **About the Disability Elimination Period**

The Disability Elimination Period is a period of 9 consecutive months. Any period of time in which You are insured under the Continuation of Insurance for Injury or Sickness provision will apply toward satisfaction of the Disability Elimination Period.

## **Proof of Total Disability**

You must submit to Us acceptable proof of Total Disability approved by Our authorized representative in Our home office before the end of the Disability Elimination Period or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter.

In order to confirm that You are Totally Disabled, We have the right to have You examined by a Physician of Our choice at Our expense.

If You are approved for continuation of insurance under this provision, We will periodically require proof of continuing Total Disability. We may have You examined by a Physician of Our choice at any time during the first two years of Total Disability and once a year thereafter at Our expense. If an additional examination is required due to questionable or disputed results of an examination, any additional examination may be at Your expense.

# When Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability is Approved

We will notify You in writing if Your proof of Total Disability is approved by Us. Any premium paid for Your insurance from the day You ceased to be Actively Working will be refunded in a lump sum within 31 days of Your approval.

Once You are approved for insurance under this provision, a Recurrent Disability will be treated as part of Your prior claim and You will not be required to satisfy another Disability Elimination Period if:

- a) You were continuously insured under the Policy for the period between Your prior claim and Your Recurrent Disability; and
- b) Your Recurrent Disability occurs within 6 months of the end of Your prior claim.

## When Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability is Not Approved

We will notify You in writing if Your proof of Total Disability is not approved by Us. If at any time while You are insured under this provision We determine that You are no longer Totally Disabled, We will notify You in writing that You are no longer eligible to continue insurance under this provision.

If You are ineligible for insurance under this provision or Your insurance under this provision ends, You and Your Dependent(s) will have 31 days from the date of Our notice to submit a Written Request for insurance under the Portability or Conversion provision, if You have not returned to Active Work or You are not eligible for insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision.

## When Insurance Under this Provision Ends

Insurance under this provision will end on the day:

- a) You are eligible to continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Partial Disability provision; or
- b) You return to Active Work.

Insurance under this provision will also end on the earliest of the day:

- a) You are no longer Totally Disabled;
- b) that is 90 days after the date of Our request to You for proof of Total Disability if such proof has not been received by Us;
- c) You fail to obtain an examination from a Physician of Our choice as described in the Proof of Total Disability provision by a date established by Us;
- d) You reach age 65; or
- e) You begin full-time employment with an employer other than the Policyholder.

Insurance under this provision will also end in accordance with the Grace Period provision.

#### **PORTABILITY**

You have the right to continue receiving group life insurance under this provision if You are under age 70 when insurance would otherwise end for any of the following reasons:

- a) You cease to be Actively Working and are not eligible for insurance under any other continuation provision in this Certificate (if applicable);
- b) Your employment with the Policyholder ends; or
- c) You retire; or
- d) the Policy terminates and the Policyholder does not obtain group life coverage within 31 days.

In addition to the above reasons, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner has the right to continue receiving group insurance, including insurance for Dependent child(ren), under this provision if Your Spouse or Domestic Partner is under age 70 when insurance would otherwise end for any of the following reasons:

- a) You reach the Attained Age of 70, but Your Spouse or Domestic Partner is under age 70;
- b) You continue insurance under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision;
- c) You enter active duty in the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves of any state or country for a period of more than 31 days;
- d) divorce or legal separation of You and Your Spouse, or dissolution of partnership for You and Your Domestic Partner; or
- e) Your death.

If Your Spouse or Domestic Partner continues to receive insurance under this provision, Dependent child(ren) may be insured under You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner, but not both.

If You are eligible for insurance under this provision and You are not eligible for insurance under any other continuation provision of the Policy (if applicable), You must continue insurance under this provision in order for Your Dependent(s) to be eligible.

If an Insured Person requests to continue to receive group insurance under this provision, the amount of insurance for each Insured Person shall not exceed the lesser of:

- a) the amount in effect under the Policy on the day insurance ended; or
- b) \$500,000 for You and \$250,000 for Your Dependents.

The amount of insurance may not be increased after insurance continues under this provision.

If You continue to receive group insurance under this provision, You and Your Dependent(s) can not continue insurance under any other continuation provision of the Policy (if applicable).

## The Group Term Life Insurance Portability Policy

Group insurance continued under this provision is available under another group term life insurance policy (the "Portability Policy") issued by Us, as available at the time insurance under this provision is requested. If You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner become insured under the Portability Policy, You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner will receive a certificate of insurance that describes the terms and conditions of coverage under the Portability Policy.

The Portability Policy may not provide all the same benefits or have all the same terms and conditions that are included in the Policy. In addition, the premium rates charged for insurance under the Portability Policy may not be the same as the premium rates charged for insurance under the Policy. The benefits and premium rates of Our Portability Policy are described on Our portability request form. You may contact the Policyholder or Us to obtain Our portability request form.

The continued group insurance coverage under the Portability Policy is available as a result of portability rights that arise solely from the Policy, as arranged for You as an employee welfare benefit subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

## Notice of the Right to Continue Group Insurance Under this Provision

The portability period is the period of time that is 31 days from the date insurance under the Policy ends ("Portability Period"). When insurance under the Policy ends, notice of the right to continue receiving insurance under this provision may be given. If notice is not given at least 15 days after the start of the Portability Period, an extension of the period of time in which to apply for a Portability Policy will be allowed. Any extension of the Portability Period will expire on the earlier of:

- a) 15 days after notice has been received; or
- b) 60 days after the end of the Portability Period, even if notice is not received.

## **How to Continue Group Insurance Under this Provision**

You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner must submit a Written Request for insurance under the Portability Policy. The Written Request and the initial premium due must be submitted within the Portability Period.

#### **CONVERSION**

This provision allows for conversion of life insurance.

# When Employment or Class Membership Ends

If group life insurance ends because Your employment or membership in a class (as shown under Class(es) on the Schedule) ends, You may apply for an individual policy of life insurance other than term insurance ("Conversion Policy"). If group life insurance for any of Your Dependent(s) ends due to Your death, divorce, legal separation or failure to satisfy any other eligibility condition, Your Dependent(s) may also apply for a Conversion Policy.

The Conversion Policy issued under this provision will be:

- a) any type of individual policy of life insurance then customarily issued by Us for purposes of conversion, except term insurance; and
- b) issued without any supplemental benefits.

Premium shall be based on the standard premium rate for the Conversion Policy according to the amount of insurance, class of risk, gender and age of the applicant on the date the Conversion Policy takes effect.

The Conversion Policy will become effective on the later of the date of issue or 31 days after the date insurance under the Policy ended.

## When the Policy or a Class Terminates

You and/or Your Dependent(s) may apply for a Conversion Policy if insurance under the Policy ends due to termination of the Policy or termination of Your class (as shown under Class(es) on the Schedule), provided You have been insured under the Policy or any Prior Plan for at least 5 consecutive years. Your Dependent child(ren) may apply for a Conversion Policy if insurance under the Policy ends due to termination of the Policy or termination of Your class (as shown under Class(es) in the Schedule), regardless of the amount of time You have been insured under the Policy.

The Conversion Policy issued under this provision will be:

- a) any type of individual policy of life insurance then customarily issued by Us for purposes of conversion, except term insurance:
- b) issued without any supplemental benefits;
- c) for an amount of life insurance that does not exceed the lesser of:
  - 1. \$10,000; or
  - 2. the amount of insurance that ended under the Policy less the amount of any other group life insurance for which the applicant becomes eligible within 31 days after insurance under the Policy ended.

Premium shall be based on the standard premium rate for the Conversion Policy according to the amount of insurance, class of risk, gender and age of the applicant on the date the Conversion Policy takes effect.

The Conversion Policy will become effective on the later of the date of issue or 31 days after the date insurance under the Policy ended.

## Notice of the Right to Obtain Insurance Under this Provision

The conversion period is the period of time that is 31 days from the date insurance under the Policy ends or reduces ("Conversion Period"). When insurance ends under the Policy, notice of the right to convert may be given. If notice is not given at least 15 days after the start of the Conversion Period, an extension of the period of time in which to apply for a Conversion Policy will be allowed. Any extension will expire on the earlier of:

- a) 15 days after notice has been received; or
- b) 60 days after the end of the Conversion Period, even if notice is not received.

If You or any of Your Dependent(s) are entitled to obtain a Conversion Policy and die within 31 days after insurance under the Policy ends or reduces, We will pay the amount of life insurance which could have been converted, even if You or Your Dependent(s) did not apply for a Conversion Policy.

## **How to Request Insurance Under this Provision**

Insurance is available without providing Evidence of Insurability. You or Your Dependent(s) must submit a Written Request for a Conversion Policy. The Written Request and the initial premium due must be submitted to Us within the Conversion Period.

#### **Conversion Insurance and Your Return to Active Work**

If You or any of Your Dependent(s) are issued a Conversion Policy and again become eligible for insurance under the Policy, insurance under the Policy will become effective (subject to all eligibility requirements) only if any Conversion Policy(ies) is/are surrendered to Us.

## PREMIUM PAYMENTS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS THROUGH PAYROLL DEDUCTION

You are responsible for the payment of premiums for insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s) under the Policy. The premium owed by You equals the total premium for all Insured Person(s).

Premiums will be automatically deducted from Your paychecks by the Policyholder, then remitted to Us, as authorized by You during the enrollment process. Please contact the Policyholder for information regarding Your paycheck deductions.

Payment of premium does not guarantee eligibility for coverage.

## OPTIONS FOR PAYMENT OF PREMIUM FOR CONTINUED INSURANCE

When insurance is continued We must receive premium payment when due for insurance to remain effective, unless otherwise stated or allowed in the Policy. Premium payment may be made in the following ways:

- a) the Policyholder may pay the premiums; or
- b) You may pay premium to the Policyholder who will then submit premium to Us.

Contact the Policyholder to determine which option is available to You.

Payment of premium does not guarantee eligibility for coverage.

#### **GRACE PERIOD**

All premiums must be paid within the grace period. There is a grace period of 31 days for payment of premiums. This means that, except for the initial premium, if premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, the premium must be paid in the 31-day period that follows. We will consider premium to be paid on the date We receive it.

Insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s) will stay in force during the grace period, unless You or the Policyholder provides Us with written notice that insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s) will terminate during the grace period. If We receive such notice, insurance will terminate for You and/or Your Dependent(s) on the date requested.

If any premium due is not paid during the grace period, insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s) will end on the last day of the grace period. If insurance ends, it may be reinstated as described in the Reinstatement of Insurance provision.

#### **PREMIUM CHANGES**

If You request a change in the amount of insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s), the Policyholder will provide You with notice of Your new premium amount upon request if You are responsible for the payment of premiums for insurance.

If there is a change in the amount of the premium for insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s) in accordance with the terms of the Policy, or a change in the amount of insurance for You and/or Your Dependent(s) as the result of a request of the Policyholder, the Policyholder will provide You with notice of the change at least 15 days prior to the date of the change if You are responsible for the payment of premiums for insurance.

Premium amounts will change if:

- a) You reach the Attained Age of the next higher age band in the premium rate structure for the Policy; or
- b) You reach an Attained Age at which benefits are reduced as described in the Benefit Reductions provision in the Schedule; or
- c) premium rates under the Policy are changed.

#### LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **BENEFITS**

In the event of death while insured under the Policy, We will pay the amount of life insurance in effect at the time of death for You or any of Your Dependent(s), if applicable. Benefits payable by reason of Your death will be paid to Your beneficiary. Benefits payable by reason of the death of Your Dependent(s), if applicable, will be paid to You.

#### BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

At the time You elect(ed) insurance under the Policy or any Prior Plan, a beneficiary should be designated. Beneficiary records will be kept by the Policyholder, Plan Administrator or the office where beneficiary records for the Policy are kept. The most current beneficiary designation in effect under a Prior Plan will be accepted as a beneficiary designation under the Policy.

If You have not designated a beneficiary, or no beneficiary survives You, in the event of Your death, benefits will be paid to:

- a) Your surviving Spouse or Domestic Partner; if none, then to
- b) Your surviving natural and/or adopted child(ren), in equal shares; if none, then to
- c) Your surviving parent(s), in equal shares; if none, then to
- d) Your estate.

Certain states are community property states. If You live in a community property state and You designate someone other than Your Spouse or Domestic Partner as a beneficiary, state law may require that Your Spouse or Domestic Partner consent to such designation. If You do not obtain Your Spouse's or Domestic Partner's consent to the designation, then such designation may not be effective. Community property states as of the Policy Effective Date include: Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Washington and Wisconsin.

You are the beneficiary of Your Dependent(s) benefits. If You are not living at the time of the death of any of Your Dependent(s), the following will apply:

- a) In the event of the death of Your Spouse or Domestic Partner, benefits will be paid to Your Spouse's or Domestic Partner's estate.
- b) In the event of the death of any of Your Dependent child(ren), benefits will be paid to Your Spouse or Domestic Partner, if Your Spouse or Domestic Partner is living. If Your Spouse or Domestic Partner is not living, benefits will be paid in equal shares to the deceased child's living siblings. If there are no living siblings, benefits will be paid to the estate of the deceased child.

Any benefits paid to a minor may be paid to the legally appointed guardian of the minor.

## **BENEFICIARY CHANGE**

Your beneficiary may be changed, subject to any restrictions or limitations in the Policy. To make a change, a Written Request should be provided to the Policyholder, Plan Administrator or to the office where beneficiary records for the Policy are kept. If You do not know where the records are kept, then You may send the Written Request to Us. When received by the Policyholder, the change will take effect as of the date the Written Request is signed. The change will not apply to any payments or other action taken by Us before the Written Request was received.

## **FACILITY OF PAYMENT**

We may pay an amount of up to \$2,000 to any person or entity that has incurred expenses related to Your death and subsequent burial, or to the death and subsequent burial of any of Your Dependent(s), if applicable. An amount, if paid, will be deducted from the amount of life insurance benefits payable.

## LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS EXCLUSION

We will not pay benefits for a death which results from suicide, while sane or insane, within two years from the date insurance begins (under the Policy or any Prior Plan). Instead, We will refund the total of the premiums paid for insurance under the Policy to the beneficiary.

If death results from suicide, while sane or insane, within two years from the effective date of any increase in the amount of insurance under the Policy, benefits in the amount of the increase will not be paid. Instead, We will refund the total of the premiums paid under the Policy for said increase in insurance to the beneficiary.

# LIVING BENEFITS (ACCELERATED BENEFIT)

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

The benefits received under this section may be taxable. Receipt of Living Benefits may adversely affect eligibility for Medicaid or other government benefits or entitlements. You should consult Your personal tax advisor or the Social Security Administration before requesting Living Benefits.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Living Benefits means an advance payment of part of Your life insurance death benefit.

*Terminal Condition* means an Injury or Sickness that is expected to result in Your death within a specified number months as certified by an attending Physician's written statement, as follows:

- a) for Living Benefits of less than \$250,000, death is expected to occur within 12 months; or
- b) for Living Benefits of \$250,000 or more, death is expected to occur within 6 months.

#### **ABOUT LIVING BENEFITS**

If You incur a Terminal Condition while insured under the Policy, You, Your Spouse, Your Domestic Partner or Your legal representative may submit a Written Request for Living Benefits.

The maximum amount of Living Benefits available is 75% of the amount of life insurance for You in effect at the time of the request or \$375,000, whichever is less. The minimum amount is 10% of the amount of life insurance in effect for You at the time of the request or \$1,000, whichever is greater.

We will pay Living Benefits to You in a lump sum, provided You are living at the time payment is made. If You elect to receive Living Benefits but die prior to receipt of such benefit, We will cancel the election and pay the life insurance benefit in accordance with the terms of the Policy.

The amount of life insurance benefits payable for You in the event of death will be reduced by the amount of Living Benefits paid for You. Life insurance on other Insured Persons, if any, is not affected by payment of Living Benefits for You.

#### **APPLYING FOR LIVING BENEFITS**

To apply for Living Benefits, You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or Your legal representative must provide Us:

- a) a Written Request for Living Benefits;
- b) satisfactory proof of Your Terminal Condition, including an attending Physician's written statement; and
- c) a statement of consent from any beneficiary(ies) or assignee(s).

You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or Your legal representative will receive information at the time of benefit payment about the amount of life insurance remaining in force after payment of Living Benefits.

# **CONDITIONS OF LIVING BENEFITS**

Living Benefits are subject to the following conditions:

- a) Living Benefits are payable for You only once under the Policy;
- b) You can request Living Benefits in any \$1,000 increment, subject to the limits specified in this section;
- c) Premium must continue to be paid on the full amount of life insurance, unless subject to waiver of premium under the Continuation of Insurance for Total Disability with Waiver of Premium provision;
- d) The amount of insurance You may obtain under the Conversion provision will be reduced by the amount of Living Benefits paid for You; and
- e) The Portability provision is not available for You after payment of Living Benefits.

## WHEN LIVING BENEFITS ARE NOT AVAILABLE

Living Benefits are not available:

- a) when You have irrevocably assigned life insurance under the Policy;
- b) if such benefits were paid under a Prior Plan;
- c) when all or a portion of the life insurance benefits under the Policy are to be paid to a former Spouse or Domestic Partner as part of a divorce agreement or pursuant to a court order;
- d) for any Terminal Condition caused by a suicide attempt or an intentionally self-inflicted Injury;
- e) during any Conversion or Portability Period;
- f) if the required premium is due and unpaid on the date the Written Request for Living Benefits is made;
- g) if requested after insurance under the Policy ends; or
- h) if requested after the Policy terminates.

#### PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **CLAIM FORMS**

Before benefits are paid, We must be given written proof of loss as described in this section.

#### **HOW TO OBTAIN PLAN BENEFITS**

Forward the completed claim form to: Benefits Administrator Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, Virginia 22182

#### **CLAIM ASSISTANCE**

For assistance with filing a claim or an explanation of how a claim was paid, contact: United of Omaha Life Insurance Company Mutual of Omaha Plaza
Omaha, Nebraska 68175
Call Toll-Free: 1-800-775-8805

#### **PROOF OF LOSS**

The Insured Person or the beneficiary has 90 days from the date of loss to furnish Us with a completed claim form and other information needed to prove loss. Failure to furnish such proof within this time period shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if:

- a) it was not reasonably possible to give proof within that 90-day period; and
- b) proof is furnished as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year after the date of loss, unless the Insured Person or the beneficiary is not legally capable.

We may occasionally require an Insured Person to be examined by a Physician of Our choice to assist in determining whether benefits are payable. We will pay for these examinations. We will not require more than a reasonable number of examinations. Where not prohibited by law, We may also require an autopsy. We will pay for this autopsy.

#### **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Benefits will be paid after We receive acceptable written proof of loss. Benefits will be paid only if We determine that the claimant is entitled to benefits under the terms of the Policy. We may require supporting information which may include, but which is not limited to, the following:

- a) clinical records;
- b) charts;
- c) x-rays; and
- d) other diagnostic aids.

Benefits will be paid to the Insured Person or the beneficiary in accord with the Life Insurance Benefits section.

#### MODE OF PAYMENT

Life insurance benefits will be available in one lump sum.

#### **REFUND TO US**

We have a right to recover any payments due to:

- a) fraud or misrepresentation; or
- b) any error We make in processing a claim.

You or the recipient of benefits must reimburse Us in full. We will determine the method by which the repayment is to be made.

#### **AUTHORITY TO INTERPRET POLICY**

By purchasing the Policy, the Policyholder grants Us the discretion and the final authority to construe and interpret the Policy. This means that We have the authority to decide all questions of eligibility and all questions regarding the amount and payment of any Policy benefits within the terms of the Policy as interpreted by Us. Benefits under the Policy will be paid only if We decide, in Our discretion, that a person is entitled to them. In making any decision, We may rely on the accuracy and completeness of any information furnished by the Policyholder, an Insured Person or any other third party. Our interpretation of the Policy as to the amount of benefits and eligibility shall be binding and conclusive on all persons.

The Policyholder further grants Us the authority to delegate to third parties, including, without limitation, Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company and any third party administrator with whom We have contracted to provide claims administration and other administrative services, the discretionary authority granted in the Policy. The Policyholder expressly grants such third party the full discretionary authority granted to Us under this Policy.

The Insured Person or beneficiary has the right to request a review of Our decision. If, after exercising the Policy's review procedures, the Insured Person or beneficiary's claim for benefits is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, the Insured Person or beneficiary may file suit and a court will review the Insured Person or beneficiary's eligibility or entitlement to benefits under the Policy.

The Policyholder, as Plan sponsor, agrees that the Policyholder retains full responsibility for the legal and tax status of its benefits program and releases Us from all responsibility for the reporting and the employment-based design of the program and from all other responsibilities not accepted in writing by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

## CLAIM REVIEW AND APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR LIFE BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** In addition to the requirements described in this document, applicable state laws may contain requirements for claims review and appeal procedures. To the extent that any requirement in this document is inconsistent with any state law requirement, the requirement that is most favorable to the person insured under the Policy shall prevail. If you have any questions, please contact Us.

## **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Adverse Benefit Determination means a denial, reduction, or termination of a benefit or a failure to provide or make payment (in whole or in part) for a benefit. This includes, without limitation, any such denial, reduction or termination of a benefit, or failure to provide or make payment, that is based upon ineligibility for insurance under the Policy.

*Claimant* means the person who submits a claim for benefits under the Policy, including the authorized representative of such person.

#### **CLAIM REVIEW PROCEDURES**

Once We receive information necessary to evaluate the claim, We will make a decision within the time periods set forth below. In the event an extension is necessary due to matters beyond Our control, We will notify the Claimant of the extension and the circumstances requiring the extension.

Except where the Claimant voluntarily agrees to provide Us with additional time, extensions are limited as set forth below. If an extension is necessary due to the Claimant's failure to submit complete information, We will notify the Claimant of the additional information required. Such notice of incomplete information will be sent within the time periods set forth below

In order for Us to continue processing the claim, the missing information must be provided to Us within the time periods set forth below. The Claimant may contact Us at any time for additional details about the processing of the claim.

#### INITIAL CLAIM DECISION

The period of time within which a claim decision will be made begins at the time the claim is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make a claim decision accompanies the filing. The applicable time periods are shown below:

- a) Initial claim decision period: 90 days
- b) Extension period: 90 days

If additional information is needed, We will notify the Claimant within 15 days of Our receipt of the claim. Once the Claimant receives Our request for additional information, the Claimant will be given no less than 30 days to submit the additional information to Us. We will make Our determination within 60 days of Our receipt of the additional information. If We do not receive the additional information within the specified time period, We will make Our determination based upon the available information.

## **CLAIM DENIALS**

If a request for a claim is denied, in whole or in part, the Claimant will receive notice of the denial, which will include:

- a) the specific reason(s) for the denial;
- b) reference to the specific Policy provisions on which the denial is based;
- c) a description of the appeal procedures and time limits applicable to such procedures, including the right to request an appeal within 60 days and the right to bring a civil action following the appeal process; and
- d) any other information which may be required under state or federal laws and regulations.

Additionally, if an internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion was relied upon in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, the Claimant has the right to request information about such internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was used in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, free of charge.

## **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The Claimant shall have a reasonable opportunity to appeal a claim review decision. As part of the appeal, there will be a full and fair review of the claim review decision.

The Claimant will have no later than 60 days from the Claimant's receipt of notification of Our claim review decision to submit a request for an appeal. The request for an appeal should include:

- a) the Insured Person's name;
- b) the name of the person filing the appeal if different from the Claimant;
- c) the Policy number; and
- d) the nature of the appeal.

The request for an appeal can be submitted in any manner and should include any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that should be considered by Us. The notification regarding Our claim review decision will include instructions on how and where to submit an appeal.

By requesting an appeal, the Claimant has authorized Us, or anyone designated by Us, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal.

#### **RESPONSE TO APPEALS**

We will respond no later than 60 days from Our receipt of the request for an appeal. However, if We determine that an extension is required, We will notify the Claimant in writing of the extension prior to the termination of the initial appeal period. In no event will the extension exceed 60 days from the end of the initial appeal period. The extension notice will indicate the special circumstances requiring the extension and the date by which We expect to render the appeal decision.

When We make Our determination, the Claimant will be provided with:

- a) information regarding the decision; and
- b) information regarding other internal or external appeal or dispute resolution alternatives, including any required state mandated appeal rights.

The period of time within which an appeal decision is required to be made will begin at the time an appeal is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make an appeal decision accompanies the filing. If a period of time is extended as described above due to the Claimant's failure to submit information necessary to decide a claim, the period for making the appeal decision shall be "tolled" or suspended from the date on which the extension notice is sent until the earlier of (1) the date on which We receive the response; or (2) the date established by Us in the notice of extension for the furnishing of the requested information.

# CLAIM REVIEW AND APPEAL PROCEDURES FOR CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE FOR TOTAL DISABILITY BENEFITS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of this Certificate.

## **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions set forth below shall apply to both the singular and plural versions of the defined term.

Adverse Benefit Determination means a denial, reduction, or termination of a benefit or a failure to provide or make payment (in whole or in part) for a benefit. This includes, without limitation, and such denial, reduction or termination of a benefit, or failure to provide or make payment, that is based upon ineligibility for insurance under the Policy.

*Claimant* means the person who submits a claim for benefits under the Policy, including the authorized representative of such person.

#### **CLAIM REVIEW PROCEDURES**

Once We receive information necessary to evaluate the claim, We will make a decision within the time periods set forth below. In the event an extension is necessary due to matters beyond Our control, We will notify the Claimant of the extension and the circumstances requiring the extension.

Except when the Claimant voluntarily agrees to provide Us with additional time, extensions are limited as set forth below. If an extension is necessary due to the Claimant's failure to submit complete information, We will notify the Claimant of the additional information required. Such notice of incomplete information will be sent within the time periods set forth below.

In order for Us to continue processing the claim, the missing information must be provided to Us within the time periods set forth below. The Claimant may contact Us at any time for additional details about the processing of the claim.

## **INITIAL CLAIM DECISION**

The period of time within which a claim decision will be made begins at the time the claim is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make a claim decision accompanies the filing. The applicable time periods are shown below:

- a) initial claim decision period: 45 days unless additional information is requested as set forth below;
- b) extension period: 30 days; and
- c) maximum number of extensions: two.

If additional information is needed, We will notify the Claimant within 10 days of Our receipt of the claim. Once the Claimant receives Our request for additional information, the Claimant will be given no less than 45 days to submit the additional information to Us. We will make Our determination within 15 days of Our receipt of the additional information. If We do not receive the additional information within the specified time period, We will make Our determination based upon the available information.

## **CLAIM DENIALS**

If a request for a claim is denied, in whole or in part, the Claimant will receive notice of the denial, which will include:

- a) the specific reason(s) for the denial;
- b) reference to the specific Policy provisions on which the denial is based;
- c) a description of the appeal procedures and time limits applicable to such procedures, including the right to request an appeal within 180 days and the right to bring a civil action following the appeal process; and
- d) any other information which may be required under state or federal laws and regulations.

Additionally, if an internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion was relied upon in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, the Claimant has the right to request information about such internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was used in making the Adverse Benefit Determination, free of charge.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The Claimant shall have a reasonable opportunity to appeal a claim review decision. As part of the appeal, there will be a full and fair review of the claim review decision.

The Claimant will have no later than 180 days from the Claimant's receipt of notification of Our claim review decision to submit a request for an appeal. The request for an appeal should include:

- a) the Claimant's name;
- b) the name of the person filing the appeal if different from the Claimant;
- c) the Policy number; and
- d) the nature of the appeal.

The request for an appeal can be submitted in any manner and should include any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that should be considered by Us. The notification regarding Our claim review decision will include instructions on how and where to submit an appeal.

By requesting an appeal, the Claimant has authorized Us, or anyone designated by Us, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal.

A document, record, or other information will be considered relevant to a claim if it:

- a) was relied upon in making the claim decision;
- b) was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the claim decision, without regard to whether it was relied upon in making the claim decision; or
- c) demonstrates compliance with administrative processes and safeguards designed to ensure and verify that claim decisions are made in accordance with the Policy and that, where appropriate, Policy provisions have been applied consistently with respect to similarly situated claimants.

#### **RESPONSE TO APPEALS**

We will respond no later than 45 days from Our receipt of the request for an appeal. However, if We determine that an extension is required, We will notify the Claimant in writing of the extension prior to the termination of the initial appeal period. In no event will the extension exceed 45 days from the end of the initial appeal period. The extension notice will indicate the special circumstances requiring the extension and the date by which We expect to render the appeal decision.

When We make Our determination, the Claimant will be provided with:

- a) information regarding the decision; and
- b) information regarding other internal or external appeal or dispute resolution alternatives, including any required state mandated appeal rights.

The period of time within which an appeal decision is required to be made will begin at the time an appeal is filed, without regard to whether all the information necessary to make an appeal decision accompanies the filing. If a period of time is extended as described above due to the Claimant's failure to submit information necessary to decide a claim, the period for making the appeal decision shall be "tolled" or suspended from the date on which the extension notice is sent until the earlier of (1) the date on which We receive the response; or (2) the date established by Us in the notice of extension for the furnishing of the requested information.

## STANDARD PROVISIONS

Capitalized terms used in this section have the meanings assigned to them in this section or in other sections of the Policy.

#### **INSURANCE CONTRACT**

The insurance contract consists of:

- a) the Policy;
- b) the Policyholder's signed application attached to the Policy; and
- c) any signed application for You or Your Dependent(s).

Statements in an application are considered representations and not warranties. We will not use any statements in an Insured Person's application to deny a claim or to contest the validity of this insurance unless We provide You, Your beneficiary or Your authorized representative with a copy of that application.

## **CHANGES IN THE INSURANCE CONTRACT**

The insurance contract may be changed (including reducing or terminating benefits or increasing premium costs) any time We and the Policyholder both agree to a change. No one else has the authority to change the insurance contract. A change in the insurance contract:

- a) does not require the consent of any Insured Person or beneficiary; and
- b) must be:
  - 1. in writing;
  - 2. made a part of the Policy; and
  - 3. signed by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

A change may affect any class of Insured Persons included in the Policy.

## **INCONTESTABILITY**

We will not use any statements in an Insured Person's application to contest the validity of this insurance after it has been inforce during the lifetime of the Insured Person for two years.

## **LEGAL ACTIONS**

No legal action can be brought until at least 60 days after We have been given written proof of loss. No legal action can be brought more than three years after the date written proof of loss is required, unless otherwise required by state law in Your state of residence.

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#### **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

The following capitalized terms have the meanings assigned in this section. These terms are used throughout the Policy.

Annual Earnings means Your gross annual earnings received from the Policyholder and in effect immediately prior to the date of loss, as determined by the Policyholder and verified by the premium received by Us.

Your annual earnings include Your contributions to deferred compensation plans.

Your annual earnings do not include commissions, bonuses, overtime pay, other extra compensation, shift differential, or the Policyholder's contributions to deferred compensation plans.

Attained Age means the age of the Insured Person as of the Policy Anniversary that coincides with or follows the Insured Person's birthday. For example, if an Insured Person's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday is on April 1, 2020 and the Policy Anniversary is January 1, the Insured Person will reach the attained age of 50 on January 1, 2021.

*Certificate* means this document that describes the benefits, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of the insurance provided under the Policy.

Dependent means a citizen, permanent resident or lawful resident of the United States who, as indicated by evidence acceptable to Us, is:

- a) Your Spouse or Domestic Partner;
- b) Your natural born or legally adopted child;
- c) Your stepchild or child of Your Domestic Partner or equivalent; or
- d) any other child who lives with You in a regular parent/child relationship and who qualifies as Your "dependent" as defined in the United States Internal Revenue Code.

## A dependent does not include:

- a) anyone insured under the Policy as an Employee;
- b) anyone who is a member of the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves of any state or country on active duty (except for temporary duty of 31 days or less);
- c) Your divorced, legally separated or former Spouse or Domestic Partner;
- d) Your Spouse or Domestic Partner after You reach the Attained Age of 70;
- e) a child less than 14 days old;
- f) a child who has reached the age of 26 unless the child is Incapacitated;
- g) Your child if the child has been legally adopted by another person; or
- h) a child placed in Your home by a social service agency which retains control over the child.

*Domestic Partner* means Your domestic partner or equivalent, as recognized and allowed by federal law, or by state law in Your state of residence. A domestic partner may include Your domestic partner or equivalent if:

- a) You submit to the Policyholder a written declaration of partnership signed by You and Your partner in a form acceptable to Us; or
- b) You submit evidence acceptable to Us that all applicable requirements of the state, city and/or county in which You reside regarding the establishment of a domestic partnership have been met; or
- c) You and Your partner satisfy Policyholder's requirements for such partnerships.

## Employee means a person who is:

- a) a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; or
- b) lawfully and legally able to work in the United States pursuant to applicable federal and state laws; and
- c) receiving compensation from the Policyholder for work performed for the Policyholder at:
  - 1. the Policyholder's usual place of business;
  - 2. an alternative work site at the direction of the Policyholder; or
  - 3. a location to which the employee must travel to perform the job.

## An employee does not include a person:

- a) who resides outside the United States for a period in excess of 12 consecutive months unless written approval has been received from Our authorized representative in Our home office;
- b) working on a seasonal or temporary basis; or

c) performing services for the Policyholder as an independent contractor, including persons reporting income on a 1099 form or subject to the terms of a leasing agreement between the Policyholder and a leasing organization.

*Evidence of Insurability* means proof of good health acceptable to Us. This proof may be obtained through questionnaires, physical exams or written documentation, as required by Us.

First Enrollment Period means the 31-day period following the day the Employee or Dependent becomes eligible for insurance under the Policy or any Prior Plan.

Guarantee Issue Amount means the amount of life insurance We may issue without requiring Evidence of Insurability.

Hospital means an accredited facility licensed by the proper authority of the area in which it is located to provide care and treatment for the condition causing confinement. A hospital does not include a facility or institution or part of a facility or institution which is licensed or used principally as a clinic, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or home for the aged, halfway house or board and care facilities.

*Incapacitated* means that a Dependent child is continuously incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of intellectual disability, developmental disability, mental illness or physical handicap.

*Injury, Injuries* means an accidental bodily injury that requires treatment by a Physician. It must result in loss independently of Sickness and other causes.

Insured Person(s) means You and/or Your Dependent(s) who are insured under the Policy.

Our, We, Us means United of Omaha Life Insurance Company.

*Physician* means any of the following licensed practitioners:

- a) a doctor of medicine (MD), osteopathy (DO), podiatry (DPM) or chiropractic (DC);
- b) a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- c) a Master's level counselor and licensed or certified social worker who is acting under the supervision of a doctor of medicine or a licensed doctoral clinical psychologist;
- d) a licensed physician's assistant (PA) or nurse practitioner (NP); or
- e) where required by law, any other licensed practitioner of a healing art who is acting within the scope of his/her license.

A physician does not include:

- a) a naturopathic doctor;
- b) an acupuncturist;
- c) a physician in training; or
- d) You, Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or a child, brother, sister or parent of You or Your Spouse or Domestic Partner or any person who lives with You.

*Plan Administrator* means the person or entity designated as the plan administrator for the Policyholder's group life insurance plan.

*Policy* means the group policy issued to the Policyholder by Us, including this Certificate.

Policy Anniversary means January 1 of each Policy Year.

Policy Effective Date means June 15, 2018.

*Policy Year* means the period commencing on the Policy Effective Date and ending on the next succeeding Policy Anniversary and, thereafter, each 12-month period commencing on the Policy Anniversary.

Prior Plan means any policy or plan of benefits:

- a) replaced by insurance under part or all of the Policy; and
- b) in effect and maintained or sponsored by the Policyholder on the day before the Policy Effective Date.

Schedule means the section of the Certificate identified as the "Schedule".

Sickness means a disease, disorder or condition that requires treatment by a Physician.

Spouse means the person to whom You are legally married.

Subsequent Enrollment Period means any period of up to 31 consecutive calendar days designated for enrollment under the Policy by the Policyholder and agreed to in writing by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

Written Request means a request that is signed, dated and submitted to the Policyholder or Us. The request must be on a form We supply or be in a form and content acceptable to Us.

You, Your means the Employee who is insured under the Policy.

#### ADDITIONAL SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION INFORMATION

The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) requires that certain information be furnished to eligible participants in an employee benefits plan. The employee benefits plan maintained by the Policyholder shall be referred to herein as the "Plan."

This document, in conjunction with Your Certificate, is Your ERISA Summary Plan Description for the insurance benefits described herein.

Contributions are made solely by participants. Contributions are based on the amount of insurance premiums necessary to provide Plan coverage.

The Plan provides coverage for more than one class of Employees.

The benefits under the Plan are fully insured by Us under a group insurance policy issued by Us. Benefits under the Policy are guaranteed to the extent all Policy provisions are met and subject to all terms and conditions of the Policy (including, but not limited to, all exclusions, limitations and exceptions in the Policy). Our home office is located at Mutual of Omaha Plaza, Omaha, Nebraska 68175.

#### **EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PLAN NUMBER**

The Employer Identification Number (EIN) is: 22-3684941

The Plan Number is: 501

#### **PLAN ADMINISTRATOR**

The Plan is provided through and administered by:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (703) 962-9747

## AGENT FOR SERVICE OF LEGAL PROCESS

The agent for service of legal process upon the Plan is:

Trace Systems Inc. 1934 Old Gallows Road Ste 600 Vienna, VA 22182 Phone: (703) 962-9747

#### **PLAN YEAR**

Each 12-month period beginning on January 1 is a "plan year" for the purposes of accounting and all reports to the U.S. Department of Labor and other regulatory bodies.

## STATEMENT OF ERISA RIGHTS

As a participant in the Plan, You are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ERISA provides that all Plan participants shall be entitled to:

#### a) Receive Information About Your Plan and Benefits

- 1. Examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office and at other specified locations all documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration.
- 2. Obtain, upon written request to the Plan Administrator, copies of documents governing the operation of the Plan, including insurance contracts and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) and updated Summary Plan Description. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.
- 3. Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Plan Administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

## b) Prudent Actions by Plan Fiduciaries

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

## c) Enforce Your Rights

If Your claim for a benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You have a right to know why this was done, to obtain copies of documents relating to the decision without charge, and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules.

Under ERISA, there are steps You can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if You request a copy of Plan documents or the latest annual report from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, You may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Plan Administrator to provide the materials and pay You up to \$110 a day until You receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Administrator. If You have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, You may file suit in a state or Federal court. In addition, if You disagree with the Plan's decision or lack thereof concerning the qualified status of a domestic relations order or a medical child support order, You may file suit in Federal court. If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if You are discriminated against for asserting Your rights, You may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or You may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If You are successful the court may order the person You have sued to pay these costs and fees. If You lose, the court may order You to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds Your claim is frivolous.

#### d) Assistance with Your Questions

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

## **PLAN DISCLOSURES**

You are entitled to request from the Plan Administrator, without charge, information applicable to the Plan's benefits and procedures. In addition, Your Certificate includes, as applicable, a description of:

- a) employee eligibility requirements;
- b) when insurance ends;
- c) state or federal continuation rights; and
- d) claims procedures.

#### **PLAN CHANGES**

The persons with authority to change, including the authority to terminate, the Plan on behalf of the Policyholder are the Policyholder's Board of Directors or other governing body, or any person or persons authorized by resolution of the Board or other governing body to take such action. Please refer to the provision in Your Certificate entitled "Changes in the Insurance Contract" for information about how the Policy can be changed. The Policyholder's benefits area authorized to apply for and accept the Policy and any changes to the Policy on behalf of the Policyholder.

# **Group Voluntary Term Life Benefits**

**Trace Systems Inc.** 

**Group Number: G000BCQH** 

**United of Omaha Life Insurance Company** 

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