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# Important Notice Concerning Partial Exchanges of Non-Qualified Annuity Contracts

Internal Revenue Code Section 1035 permits the tax-free exchange of one nonqualified annuity contract for another nonqualified annuity contract. You have requested a partial exchange – an exchange of *part* of one annuity contract (the "original contract") into another annuity contract (the "new contract"). Before we process your request, we ask you to consider the tax issues related to a partial exchange.

### **Conditions Imposed**

In Revenue Procedure 2011-38, the Internal Revenue Service indicated that it would recognize a partial exchange as a tax-free exchange under Section 1035 if:

- 1. during the 180-day period beginning on the date of the transfer, no amount is received from the original contract unless it is received as an annuity for life or for a fixed period of 10 years or more; and
- 2. during the 180-day period beginning on the date that the funds are applied to the new contract, no amount is received from the new contract unless it is received as an annuity for life or for a fixed period of 10 years or more.

#### **Possible Adverse Tax Consequences if Conditions Not Met**

If these conditions are not satisfied, then the Internal Revenue Service may apply general tax principles to determine the substance, and hence the tax treatment, of the transfer and the withdrawal, surrender, or annuitization. For example, a withdrawal from either the original contract or from the new contract during the 180-day period may be characterized as a taxable distribution ("boot") in a tax-free exchange, or the transfer itself may be treated as a taxable withdrawal from the original contract, followed by a payment for a new contract. As a result, you may be liable for additional federal and state income taxes, penalties, and interest.

#### Your Responsibility

MassMutual Ascend and Affiliate and its agents and representatives cannot provide legal or tax advice related to your specific circumstances. If, within the 180-day period, you are going to take a withdrawal from or surrender either the original contract or new contract, or you are going to annuitize it for a fixed period of fewer than 10 years, then you should consult with your independent legal or tax advisor. You are responsible for the tax consequences of the transfer and any such withdrawal, surrender, or annuitization.

#### **Acknowledgment by Owner(s)**

I acknowledge receipt of this notice. I understand that a withdrawal, surrender, or fixed period annuitization (for fewer than 10 years) within 180 days of the date of the transfer may have adverse tax consequences. I agree MassMutual Ascend and Affiliate issuing the original and/or new contract is not responsible for the tax consequences of the transfer or of any such withdrawal, surrender, or annuitization.

		Contract # (if known):	
Signature of Owner	Date	Signature of Joint Owner (if any)	Date
Printed Name of Owner	Soc Sec #	Printed Name of Joint Owner (if any)	Soc Sec #