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# Actuarial Memorandum Supporting Rate Revisions for Long Term Care Insurance Base Policy Forms and Riders Associated with 2LTCIP0001

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## 1 SCOPE AND PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide actuarial information supporting a rate revision to the Base Policy Forms and Riders of the Continental General Insurance Company (the Company) long-term care (LTC) policy form referenced above.

These policies were originally sold under the name Great American Life Insurance Company (GALIC). Virtually all of the GALIC policies have been novated into United Teacher Associates (UTA), and the remaining GALIC policies are 100% ceded to UTA. All policies issued in Florida are 100% ceded to GALIC and therefore are excluded from this analysis. Effective December 31, 2016, UTA (inactive NAIC No: 63479) merged into Continental General Insurance Company (active NAIC No: 71404). Effective 5/28/2021, GALIC (NAIC Company 63312) was acquired by Mass Mutual.

Some riders may not be available in all states.

These forms are no longer being marketed in any state and the Company is no longer selling any new Long-Term Care Insurance.

The Company would like to note that the justified rate increases indicated by a methodology consistent with the discussions and final document produced by the NAIC Pricing Subgroup's ("Long-term Care Insurance Approaches to Reviewing Premium Rate Increases") is 295%.

The first phase of the rate increase will be effective on the first premium due date after state insurance department approval and in accordance with state policyholder notification requirements. Additionally, no policyholder will receive a rate increase sooner than one year after receiving a prior increase, if applicable.

This rate filing is not intended to be used for other purposes.

The body of this actuarial memorandum was written to apply to each state where these products were issued.

Please refer to Section 21 for a description of the information contained in each Appendix.

### 2 POLICYHOLDER OPTIONS TO MITIGATE IMPACT OF PREMIUM RATE INCREASE

## Optional Policyholder offers to Reduce Benefits

The Company will give policyholders Benefit Reduction Offers to help mitigate the impact to policyholders of the premium rate increase on the base policy and riders. The Benefit Reduction Offers will allow the policyholder to:

- 1. Lower their lifetime maximum benefit,
- 2. Lower their daily benefit, or
- 3. Increase their elimination period.

Contingent Benefit Upon Lapse (CBUL)In addition, the Company will give the policyholder the option to accept a shortened benefit period. Acceptance of the CBUL benefit will provide the policyholder with a paid-up policy, with no future premiums required. Under this paid-up policy, the maximum benefit amount is equal to the greater of the sum of premiums paid or 30 times their daily benefit, and the daily benefit amount is equal to the policyholder's current daily benefit amount. This CBUL benefit shall not exceed the policyholder's remaining unused Maximum Lifetime Benefit at the time of conversion. Once customer service receives the signed form and selection of an option, documentation will be sent to the policyholder reflecting the changes. This offer will be made to all policyholders.

If applicable, for policyholders with active Limited Pay policy provisions, the Company will additionally provide policyholders an opportunity to elect a reduced paid-up policy in accordance with state regulatory requirements.

### 3 PREMIUM RATE INCREASE JUSTIFICATION

This rate revision is necessary because the current best estimate projections of the nationwide lifetime loss ratios are in excess of expected. Policies were issued nationwide under both loss ratio requirements and under rate stabilization requirements established in the 2000 LTC NAIC Model Regulation.

The lifetime loss ratios anticipated at the time of original pricing for these policy forms is 69.0%. This loss ratio has been stated based on the original pricing interest rate of 5.5%. Based on available documentation, the pricing loss ratio stated below is conservatively assumed to be representative of best estimate expectations.

For policies issued under loss ratio requirements, the lifetime loss ratio that these products were initially priced to has been exceeded. For policies issued under rate stabilization requirements, the margin for moderately adverse deviation built into the rates at the time of original pricing was a 10% deviation in the lifetime loss ratio, when compared to originally expected. This margin has been exceeded.

## 4 DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS

Appendix B contains a brief summary of the benefits contained in these base forms and associated riders. A complete description of the benefit provisions and conditions for eligibility is contained in the policy forms and riders on file with the state.

### **5 RENEWABILITY CLAUSE**

All products are Guaranteed Renewable, Individual Long-Term Care policies.

### 6 MARKETING METHOD

All forms were marketed to individuals by licensed agents. These products are not currently being marketed.

## 7 APPLICABILITY

The revised rates contained in this memorandum will be applicable to all renewals of the policy form and riders described in Section 1 as well as all future periodic inflation protection offers. The current and revised premium rate schedules are attached. The rate revision will be applied as a consistent percentage to all premium classes. The modal premium factors will remain unchanged from the current factors.

### 8 PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

Policyholder notification of the rate increases will begin as soon as possible subject to state insurance department approval with the additional condition that no policyholder will receive the rate increases sooner than one year after receiving a previous rate increase.

#### 9 UNDERWRITING

Most policies subject to this rate revision were subject to full medical underwriting in accordance with Company standards in place at the time of issue. The underwriting standards used were taken into consideration when projecting future experience.

## 10 ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS

The actuarial assumptions used to project the future premiums and claims are described in this section. Appendix D provides further details of the experience studies conducted that were used to develop the actuarial assumptions. These base assumptions are the same as the assumptions being used in the Company's internal cash flow testing with appropriate margins for rate increase filings.

## A Morbidity

Claim incidence and termination rates are based on a combination of the Company's historical claim experience on these forms from 2006 through March 31, 2021, the Milliman 2017 Long-Term Care Guidelines (Guidelines) and judgment.

## **B** Mortality

The best estimate future mortality assumption is based on an industry table with selection factors and specific adjustments where credible date exists.

## C Voluntary Lapse

The voluntary lapse assumptions were developed from a policy persistency study conducted on the Company's experience on these forms and judgment.

## **D** Interest Rate

The supporting exhibits use the average maximum valuation interest rate to calculate the lifetime loss ratio.

## **E** Expenses

Expenses are not as justification for the rate increase. As such, expenses are not being projected and are not included in this filing.

## 11 ISSUE AGE RANGE

These products were available for issue ages 18 to 84. Premiums are based on issue age.

#### 12 AREA FACTORS

The Company did not use area factors within the state in the premium scale for these products.

## 13 CLAIM LIABILITY AND RESERVE

Claim reserves were calculated using appropriate actuarial methods for Incurred But Not Reported reserves (IBNR) and using continuance curves validated for the Company's experience for open claims on a disabled life basis. The claim reserves were discounted to the incurred date for each claim and have been included in the historical incurred claims.

## 14 ACTIVE LIFE RESERVES

Incurred claims are calculated without the impact of the change in active life reserves.

## 15 DISTRIBUTION OF BUSINESS

The historical experience reflects the actual distribution of policies during the experience period. The projected future experience is based on a seriatim projection of the current inforce policies. See Appendix C for the distribution of the inforce policies by key demographic and benefit characteristics.

# 16 NUMBER OF POLICYHOLDERS

As of 9/30/2022, there are 17 active, premium-paying policyholders in this state.

### 17 AVERAGE ANNUAL PREMIUM

The average annual premium for these products in this state compared to nationwide is below:

Policies with	Infla	ation	Policies with	Policies with No Inflation		
Maryland	\$	1,983	Maryland	\$	1,739	
Nationwide	\$	2,558	Nationwide	\$	2,019	

#### **18 HISTORY OF RATE ADJUSTMENTS**

The history of rate adjustments on these products in this state is as follows: 15% for all policies in 2014, 15% for all policies in 2016

## 19 EXPERIENCE – PAST AND FUTURE

Nationwide historical experience since inception by issue year within calendar year for these policy forms and riders as of 9/30/2022 is contained in Exhibit 2a. Experience for loss years 2022 and prior are developed through 9/30/2022. In these exhibits, please note that the paid claims have been discounted with interest from the claim payment date back to the incurred date of the claim.

Historical nationwide experience for all policies issued under these products is contained in Exhibit 3a. The nationwide historical and projected experience adjusted to reflect the state's specific rate increase history, both with and without the impact of the requested rate increase, is also contained in Exhibit 3a. Projected experience utilizes assumptions consistent with the Company's best estimate assumptions.

Historical nationwide experience for active policies in premium-paying status issued under these products is contained in Exhibit 3b. The nationwide historical and projected experience adjusted to reflect the state's specific rate increase history, both with and without the impact of the requested rate increase, is also contained in Exhibit 3b. Projected experience utilizes assumptions consistent with the Company's best estimate assumptions.

In developing the projected future experience with the rate increase, an implementation date of 1/1/2024 was assumed.

## 20 RELATIONSHIP OF RENEWAL PREMIUM TO NEW BUSINESS PREMIUM

The Company is no longer selling any new Long-Term Care business. Therefore, the comparison of renewal premium rates after the rate increase to the Company's current new business premium rate schedule is not applicable.

## 21 SUMMARY OF APPENDICES

Appendix A contains information that is specific to the state in which this filing is made, such as the average annual premium, the number of policyholders inforce, etc. Similar information for nationwide is also contained in this Appendix. **Redacted pursuant to Section 24.** 

Appendix B contains a summary of the benefits included under each policy form grouping.

Appendix C contains a summary of the demographic distributions of the inforce policies as of 9/30/2022. **Redacted pursuant to Section 24.** 

Appendix D contains a detailed summary of the development of the projection assumptions. **Redacted pursuant to Section 24.** 

Appendix E contains a comparison of the actual total termination rates to both the original pricing assumptions and current assumptions. **Redacted pursuant to Section 24.** 

#### 22 SUMMARY OF EXHIBITS—REDACTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24

Exhibit 1 contains the breakdown of policy counts, annualized premium, and average premium for all active, premium-paying inforce policies by state under each product grouping as of the inforce date.

Exhibit 2a contains the historical nationwide lifetime experience for all policies issued under these products by issue year within calendar year.

Exhibit 2b contains the historical state-specific lifetime experience for all policies issued under these products by issue year within calendar year.

Exhibit 3a contains historical and projected nationwide experience for all policies issued under these products. The exhibit also includes the projected lifetime loss ratios both with and without the impact of the proposed rate increase. Projected experience utilizes best estimate assumptions. Historical experience is shown before and after adjusting for this state's specific rate history.

Exhibit 3b contains historical and projected nationwide experience for active, premium-paying policies issued under these products. The exhibit also includes the projected lifetime loss ratios both with and without the impact of the proposed rate increase. Projected experience utilizes best estimate assumptions. Historical experience is shown before and after adjusting for this state's specific rate history.

Exhibit 4a contains historical and projected state-specific experience for all policies issued under these products. The exhibit also includes the projected lifetime loss ratios both with and without the impact of the proposed rate increase. Projected experience utilizes best estimate assumptions.

Exhibit 4b contains historical and projected state-specific experience for active, premium-paying policies issued under these products. The exhibit also includes the projected lifetime loss ratios both with and without the impact of the proposed rate increase. Projected experience utilizes best estimate assumptions.

Exhibit 5 contains nationwide experience for active, premium-paying policies, restated to the original rate level, using assumptions consistent with current best estimate assumptions.

Exhibit 6 contains the number of active, premium-paying policyholders that will become eligible for the contingent benefit upon lapse (CBUL) at the state-specific level.

### 23 ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINGENT BENEFIT UPON LAPSE

Exhibit 6 has been provided to demonstrate the number of active, premium-paying policyholders that will become eligible for the contingent benefit upon lapse (CBUL). Policyholders are defined as being eligible given they are governed by rate stability regulations and they have surpassed the cumulative rate increase threshold given this request.

Given that policyholders in this state will become eligible for the CBUL, the attached document (Managing Long Term Care Risk – 2023-01), provided by the Company's Chief Operating Officer, provides a demonstration that the Company has appropriate policy administration and claim processing procedures in place to assure our policyholders' long-term care claims are paid according to the provisions of our contracts.

### **24 CONFIDENTIALITY**

Pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Provis. § 4-101, et seq., (the "Public Information Act") and, specifically, Md. Gen. Provis. § 4-335, the Company respectfully requests that the following exhibits and appendices supporting the Actuarial Memorandum be maintained by the Administration as confidential; Exhibits 1- Exhibit 6 and Appendices A, C, D, and E.

#### 25 ACTUARIAL CERTIFICATION

In performing the analysis, preparing this filing, and rendering the actuarial opinion below, I relied upon other actuaries for experience analysis used to develop baseline actuarial assumptions related to morbidity and persistency. I reviewed the analysis for reasonableness and consistency, but I did not perform a detailed audit. The assumptions are appropriate for the purpose used.

To the best of my knowledge and judgment this rate filing is in compliance with the applicable laws and regulations of this state as they relate to premium rate developments and revisions. This memorandum complies with all applicable Actuarial Standards of Practice, including Actuarial Standards of Practice No. 8 "Regulatory Filings for Health Benefits, Accident and Health Insurance, and Entities Providing Health Benefits," No. 18 "Long-Term Care Insurance," and No. 23 "Data Quality."

I have reviewed and taken into consideration the policy design and coverage provided, and the Company's original underwriting and claims adjudication processes.

In my opinion, the rates are not excessive or unfairly discriminatory, and the benefits are reasonable in relation to the premiums. The anticipated lifetime loss ratio exceeds the applicable required loss ratio. If the requested increase is implemented and the underlying moderately adverse assumptions are realized, no further premium rate schedule increases are anticipated at this time. The Company will continue to monitor experience and reserves the right to take additional rate action if necessary.

I, Madison P. Nahrup, hereby certify that I am an Associate of the Society of Actuaries and a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries, and I meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries for making statements of actuarial opinion regarding Long Term Care rate filings.

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# **Appendix B**

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# **Description of Benefits**

A brief summary of the benefits contained in the base forms and associated riders is provided below. A complete description of the benefit provisions and conditions for eligibility is contained in the policy forms and riders on file with the state.

## Policy Form 2LTCIP0001

This policy is a comprehensive Long-Term Care policy covering nursing home care and home health care.

The elimination period could be chosen as 0, 20, 60, 90 or 180 calendar days. The benefit period is administered on a "pool of money" basis, where the pool of money is calculated as the nursing home daily maximum times 365 times 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or unlimited. The nursing home daily maximum was available in multiples of \$10 (minimum of \$50). Home health care is covered, with daily maximum options of 50%, 75%, 100%, 125% or 150% of the nursing home daily maximum. Actual expenses are reimbursed, up to the daily maximum.

Benefits are payable when the insured becomes disabled in two out of six Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) for 90 days, or when he or she becomes cognitively impaired.

An insured who qualifies for benefits will be eligible to receive all long term care services that are included in the Plan of Care and covered under the policy. This could include nursing home care or assisted living facility care. A 21-day per year bed reservation benefit could be included in the Plan of Care under the base policy. The Plan of Care could also include home health care, adult day care, up to 30 days per year of respite care, or up to 5 times the daily maximum in informal caregiver training (one time only). Other alternate services could be included, if agreed to by all parties. Also, upon approval of the Care Advisor, the policy will cover home health care services provided by an independent caregiver who is properly certified, does not live with the insured, is not a member of the insured's immediate family, and would normally charge for the care.

In the first 30 calendar days after the elimination period is satisfied, the home care daily maximums are doubled.

After covered care has been provided for 90 days, premiums on the policy are waived for the remainder of the claim period.

Policy form 2LTCIP0001 also provides for a home medical technology benefit, paying a monthly amount equal to the home care daily maximum for rental or lease of medical monitoring, diagnostic, or medication compliance equipment that is recommended by the Care Advisor.

If the insured does not elect rider 2LTCIE0010, then a contingent non-forfeiture benefit is automatically applied. This benefit will provide that, should the insured ever receive a substantial rate increase on his policy, he will be given the option of reducing his benefits or converting his coverage to paid-up status, with a shortened benefit period defined the same as on rider 2LTCIE0010 (except that the 3-year waiting period does not apply).

All benefits are subject to the daily maximums, the total benefit allowance, and the elimination period (except that the latter does not apply to the respite benefit, the care advisory services, or the caregiver training benefit).

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Several optional riders were available for these policies:

- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0011 Compound Inflation Protection</u>: Increases the daily maximum and the remaining lifetime maximum by 5%, compounded annually, on each policy anniversary.
- Rider 2LTCIE0012 Simple Inflation Protection: Increases the daily maximum and the remaining lifetime maximum by 5% of the original amounts, on each policy anniversary.
- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0019 Capped Compound Inflation Protection</u>: Increases the daily maximum and the remaining lifetime maximum by 5% compounded annually, on each policy anniversary, until the daily and lifetime maximums reach two times their original levels.
- Rider 2LTCIE0020 Monthly Benefit Rider: Changes the daily maximum to a monthly maximum, where the monthly maximum is calculated as the daily maximum times 30.
- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0021 Restoration Rider</u>: The pool of money is restored to its original level if the insured is claim-free and returns to normal activities for at least 6 months.
- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0026 Survivor Rider</u>: The premiums for a surviving spouse are waived if death occurs after both spouses have had this coverage continuously inforce for 10 or more years.
- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0029 Return of Premium Rider</u>: Returns a specified percentage of the cumulative premiums paid, less claims, to the insured's estate, if death occurs before age 75. The percentage of premiums returned is 100% for deaths occurring through age 65; the percentage then grades down by 10% per year, to 0% for ages 75+.
- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0010 Non-forfeiture Benefit</u>: After 3 years inforce, an insured may lapse with a reduced lifetime benefit, but unreduced daily benefit inforce. The amount of the reduced lifetime benefit is the greater of 30 times the nursing home daily maximum inforce on the date of lapse, and the numerical sum of the premiums paid while the policy was inforce.
- <u>Rider 1LTCIE0013 Cost of Living Increase</u>: Gives the insured the option of increasing benefits at scheduled intervals, with the increase amounts based on the change in the CPI. The incremental benefits will be subject to an additional premium, based on the insureds attained age.
- Rider 1LTCIE0014 Dual Waiver of Premium: Waives the premium for a covered spouse when the other spouse's premium is waived due to claim.
- <u>Rider 1LTCIE0015 Shared Extended Expense</u>: An additional pool of money, less than or equal to the
  original pool of money, can be purchased by both spouses for them to share, should one (or both) of
  them reach his or her lifetime maximum.
- Rider 2LTCIE0037 Single Pay Rider: Allows the policyholder to pay for coverage for his entire lifetime with one single premium payment.
- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0038 10-Pay Rider</u>: Allows the policyholder to pay for coverage for his entire lifetime over a 10-year period.
- <u>Rider 2LTCIE0039 Paid up at 65 Rider</u>: Allows the policyholder to pay for coverage for his entire lifetime with premium payments that end at age 65.