2024 Summer National Meeting Chicago, Illinois

## LIFE ACTUARIAL (A) TASK FORCE

Sunday, August 11, 2024 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Monday, August 12, 2024 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

## **Meeting Summary Report**

The Life Actuarial (A) Task Force met Aug. 11–12, 2024. During this meeting, the Task Force:

- 1. Adopted its July 25, June 20, June 13, June 6, May 30, May 23, May 16, May 9, May 2, April 25, April 4, and March 28 minutes. During these meetings, the Task Force took the following action:
  - A. Discussed comments received on a June 20 exposure of concepts for asset adequacy testing (AAT) for reinsurance and an attribution analysis template.
  - B. Adopted amendment proposal form (APF) 2023-13 to add mortality tables to the *Valuation Manual* (VM) for certain annuities and allow the use of international mortality tables for life insurance business issued in foreign countries.
  - C. Adopted APF 2024-07 to update the VM-21, Requirements for Principle-Based Reserves for Variable Annuities, standard projection amount (SPA) assumptions.
  - D. Adopted APF 2024-05, which allows for the use of monthly rates when determining the discount rate for deposit-type contracts.
  - E. Adopted APF 2024-06, which allows for non-jumbo contracts to be treated as jumbo for discounting purposes.
  - F. Adopted APF 2024-09, which changes how the interest maintenance reserve (IMR) is treated in VM-21
  - G. Adopted APF 2024-08 to revise the net asset earned rate (NAER) calculation in VM-21.
  - H. Discussed comments received on a March 17 exposure of questions regarding AAT for reinsurance.
  - I. Adopted its Spring National Meeting minutes.
  - J. Adopted APF 2024-10 to update credit disability claim incidence rate assumptions.
  - K. Adopted APF 2024-01 to require specific qualification standards for qualified actuaries.
  - L. Adopted APF 2024-04 to update the lapse assumptions in VM-20, Requirements for Principle-Based Reserves for Life Products.
- 2. Adopted the report of the Longevity Risk (E/A) Subgroup, which will resume meeting once the VM-22, Requirements for Principle-Based Reserves for Non-Variable Annuities methodology is finalized to develop and recommend longevity risk factors.
- 3. Adopted the report of the Indexed Universal Life (IUL) Illustration (A) Subgroup, which is reviewing the impact of the most recent revisions to *Actuarial Guideline XLIX-A—The Application of the Life*



Illustrations Model Regulation to Policies with Index-Based Interest Sold on or After Dec. 14, 2020 (AG 49-A) on the market.

- 4. Adopted the report of the Variable Annuities Capital and Reserves (E/A) Subgroup, which met April 4. During this meeting, the Subgroup took the following action:
  - A. Exposed APF 2024-07.
- 5. Received an update on the NAIC's mortality experience data collection and adopted the report of the Experience Reporting (A) Subgroup, which is monitoring the NAIC's mortality experience data collection and considering a group annuity mortality experience data collection.
- 6. Exposed APF 2024-12, which would mandate a data collection for group annuity mortality for a 75-day public comment period ending Oct. 25.
- 7. Adopted the report of the Valuation Manual (VM)-22 (A) Subgroup, which met June 4, May 29, April 10, and March 25. During these meetings, the Subgroup took the following action:
  - A. Exposed the VM-22 Section 6, SPA draft, which included the proposed SPA mortality and policyholder behavior assumptions.
  - B. Exposed the longevity reinsurance alternative methodology.
  - C. Exposed the VM-22 field test specifications, template, and pre-field test participation survey.
- 8. Received an update on the generator of economic scenarios (GOES) field test and adopted the report of the GOES (E/A) Subgroup, which met June 12, May 15, May 1, April 17, April 10, and March 27. During these meetings, the Subgroup took the following action:
  - A. Heard a presentation from Oliver Wyman showing results from a variable annuity model office for the GOES field test scenarios.
  - B. Discussed a model governance framework.
  - C. Planned a field test of a revised calibration of the GOES.
- 9. Received an update on the VM-20 historical mortality improvement (HMI) and future mortality improvement (FMI) factors.
- 10. Received a presentation on the results of model office testing of the GOES field test scenarios.
- 11. Heard an update from the Society of Actuaries (SOA) on research and education.
- 12. Exposed APF 2024-11, which would revise the VM-20 life principle-based reserves (PBR) exemption to account for recent updates made to the annual statement blanks for a 21-day public comment period ending Sept. 2.
- 13. Heard a presentation on the appropriate reflection of negative IMR in PBR and AAT.
- 14. Heard a presentation on state insurance regulator reviews of *Actuarial Guideline LIII—Application of the Valuation Manual for Testing the Adequacy of Life Insurer Reserves* (AG 53) filings.



- 15. Exposed the AAT for reinsurance actuarial guideline draft for a 60-day public comment period ending Oct. 11. Specific components of the draft actuarial guideline were exposed for shorter comment periods to allow for discussion at interim meetings of the Task Force.
- 16. Heard an update from the American Academy of Actuaries (Academy) Council on Professionalism and Education (COPE).
- 17. Heard an update from the Academy Life Practice Council.
- 18. Heard an update on Academy life knowledge statements.
- 19. Heard an update from the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission (Compact).
- 20. Exposed the Generally Recognized Expense Tables (GRETs) for a 21-day public comment period ending Sept. 2.