



Circular Letter No.:	2021-51
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Amends:	CL No. 2017-34

CIRCULAR LETTER

TO : ALL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT : AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 9A OF CL NO. 2017-34 OR THE REVISED GUIDELINES ON VARIABLE LIFE INSURANCE CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, on 15 June 2017, this Commission issued Circular Letter (CL) No. 2017-34 entitled “Revised Guidelines on Variable Life Insurance Contracts” incorporating previously issued instructions and guidelines for compliance by all life insurance companies engaged in the transaction of variable life insurance business;

WHEREAS, technological innovations have provided various modes of communications and novel means of conducting insurance business;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the power granted to the Insurance Commissioner under Section 437 of the Insurance Code, as amended by Republic Act No. 10607, Circular Letter No. 2017-34 dated 15 June 2017 or the “Revised Guidelines on Variable Life Insurance Contracts” is hereby amended.

Section 1. Section 9.A of CL No. 2017-34 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 9. Periodic Disclosure to Policyholders

A. Statement to Policyholders

An insurer delivering or issuing for delivery in the Philippines a variable life insurance contract shall make available, whether in printed or electronic form, to each variable life insurance policyholder, within thirty (30) days after each anniversary of the policy, a statement for the purpose of keeping the policyholders advised on the performance and value of their policies. For electronic delivery, the policyholders must have expressly consented to receive the statement in electronic format.

The statement to policyholders on the performance and status of their variable life insurance contracts shall contain the following information.

- (1) The number and value of units held at the end of the previous statement period;
- (2) The number and value of units bought during the statement period;
- (3) The number and value of units sold during the statement period;
- (4) The number and value of units held at the end of current statement period;
- (5) Charges incurred during the statement period. Each of the charges shall be identified, e.g., initial charge, management fee, mortality, riders, etc.;
- (6) Total amount of premium received during the statement period;
- (7) The current death benefit at the end of the current statement period;
- (8) The net withdrawal value at the end of the current statement period; and
- (9) Any other information that the Commission may from time to time deem necessary.

Section 2. This amendatory Circular shall take effect immediately. Except as amended and supplemented hereby, all other provisions of Circular Letter No. 2017-34 shall remain effective. The unamended provisions of the said Circular and the amendments introduced herein shall be read and construed as a single Circular.



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