

# THE *Premier Plan*

THE PREMIER PLAN OFFERS A POSITIVE ALTERNATIVE TO SOCIAL SECURITY

*Retirement Plan  
for Part-time,  
Temporary, and  
Seasonal Employees,  
including  
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*Why pay Social  
Security taxes when  
you can use the  
money to build your  
own personal  
retirement savings  
account instead?*

Through the Premier Plan, you contribute 7.5% of your pay to your plan account on a pre-tax basis. Since your 7.5% is pre-tax you pay less than you would pay to Social Security on an after-tax basis. (The example in the box shows you how this works.) The money in your Premier Plan account earns interest that is guaranteed. The statement you receive annually shows you how your money grows.

Best of all, you are 100% vested. When you stop working, the money in your plan account is yours to take with you, after a designated waiting period.

*How 6.2% in  
after-tax dollars  
equals 7.5% in  
pre-tax dollars –  
and lets you come  
out ahead.*

Normally, the taxes you pay are based on your total income. But through the Premier Plan and its pre-tax feature, your taxable income is based on your total income minus your 7.5% contributions. Some of the tax dollars you would ordinarily pay to Uncle Sam, go instead, to your own personal Premier Plan account.

## *How 6.2% equals 7.5%*

	<u>FICA</u>	<u>Premier</u>
Gross Salary*	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Less 7.5% contribution	<u>0.00</u>	<u>75.00</u>
Taxable Income	1,000.00	925.00
Less 15% income tax**	150.00	138.75
Less 6.2% Social Security	62.00	0.00
Less 1.45% Medicare	<u>14.50</u>	<u>14.50</u>
Net paycheck	\$ 773.50	\$ 771.75

\*Assumes \$1,000 compensation

\*\*Assumes 15% income tax bracket

## Plan Advantages

- ◆ You contribute with pre-tax dollars, which reduces the amount of federal income tax you pay.
- ◆ Your contributions earn interest at the current declared market rate with a guaranteed minimum rate of return.
- ◆ Your account earnings are compounded to build up your account until the money is paid out to you.
- ◆ You save more with the Premier Plan than you do with Social Security, yet your take-home pay remains virtually the same.
- ◆ Unlike Social Security, the money in your account – your contributions and earned interest – is yours to withdraw when you terminate employment and after a standard waiting period. If you continue fulltime status, you are eligible to withdraw your funds two years from the date of your last contribution as long as your account balance does not exceed \$5,000. If your balance is \$5,000 or more, your employment must be completely terminated to receive a distribution of your funds.
- ◆ If you choose to leave your money in the plan once you are eligible for a distribution, a \$0.75 per month administration fee will be charged against your account after 12 consecutive months of not contributing to the account.
- ◆ You may log onto MidAmerica's website, [www.midamerica.biz](http://www.midamerica.biz), at any time to print forms, statements, or just view your account information.
- ◆ If you should die, the beneficiary you designate will receive the full amount in your account less applicable taxes. If there is no beneficiary listed on file, funds will be made payable to your estate.

## Important Plan Information

- ◆ Enrollment in the Premier Plan is automatic with your employment.
- ◆ You will receive an annual statement reflecting your account activity.
- ◆ Approximately 60 – 90 days after you complete and submit a Distribution Election Form, your distribution, (less 20% federal tax withholding) is mailed to your home address. (You must meet distribution eligibility requirements.)
- ◆ You have to pay federal and state income tax on your contributions and earnings in the tax year your distribution check is issued. You will receive a Form 1099R by January 31, of the following year for tax reporting purposes.

## Investment Company

Your money is invested with American United Life Insurance Company<sup>®</sup>, a ONEAMERICA<sup>®</sup> company. AUL is a highly respected, successful, and well managed company located in Indianapolis, Indiana.

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