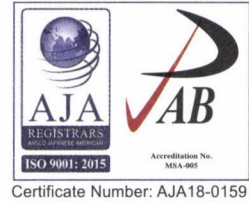




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CIRCULAR LETTER

TO : ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES AND MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATIONS (MBAs) PROVIDING LIFE INSURANCE PRODUCTS AND PRE-NEED COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES IN THE INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION OF SECTION 4 (UU) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11494, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "BAYANIHAN TO RECOVER AS ONE ACT"

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) has spread in different parts of the world, including the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 outbreak has been characterized by the World Health Organization as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11494, otherwise known as the "*Bayanihan to Recover as One Act*", was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte into law on 11 September 2020, providing for various statutory COVID-19 response and recovery interventions;

WHEREAS, as part of these statutory COVID-19 response and recovery interventions, Section 4 (uu) of Republic Act No. 11494, otherwise known as the "*Bayanihan to Recover as One Act*", provides that, to wit:

*"(uu) Directing all banks, quasi-banks, financing companies, lending companies, real estate developers, **insurance companies providing life insurance policies, pre-need companies**, entities providing in-house financing for goods and properties purchased, asset and liabilities management companies and other financial institutions, public and private, including the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), the SSS and Home Development Mutual Fund (Pag-IBIG Fund), to **implement a one-time sixty (60)-day grace period** to be granted for the payment of all existing, current and outstanding loans falling due, or any part thereof, on or before December 31 2020, including, but not limited to, salary, personal, housing, commercial, and motor vehicle loans, amortizations, financial lease payments and **premium payments**, as well as credit card payments, without incurring interest on interests, penalties, fees, or other charges and thereby extending the maturity of the said loans: Provided, That all loans may be settled on staggered basis without interest on interests, penalties and*