elects Full Reduction, the coverage reduces by 2 percent of the original amount each month. This reduction starts at the beginning of the 2nd month after the date the insurance would otherwise have stopped or the beginning of the 2nd month after the insured's 65th birthday, whichever is later. At 12:00 noon on the day before the 50th reduction, the insurance stops, with no extension of coverage or conversion right.

- (2) For each multiple of Option B and/ or Option C for which an individual elects No Reduction, the coverage in force does not reduce. After age 65 the annuitant or compensationer continues to pay premiums appropriate to his/her age.
- (d)(1) Employees who were already retired or insured as compensationers on April 24, 1999, and who had Option B, were given an opportunity to make an election for Option B.
- (i) Annuitants and compensationers who were under age 65 were notified of the option to elect No Reduction. The retirement system will send these individuals an actual election notice before their 65th birthday, as provided in paragraph (b)(4) of this section.
- (ii) Annuitants and compensationers who were age 65 or older, and who still had some Option B coverage remaining, were given the opportunity to stop further reductions. These individuals had until October 24, 1999, to make the No Reduction election. The amount of Option B coverage retained was the amount in effect on April 24, 1999. Those annuitants and compensationers who elected No Reduction were required to pay premiums retroactive to April 24, 1999.
- (2) Employees who were already retired or insured as compensationers on April 24, 1999, could not elect No Reduction for Option C.

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\$870.706 Reinstatement of life insurance.

(a) An annuitant whose disability annuity terminates because he/she recovers from the disability or because his/her earning capacity returns, and whose disability annuity is later restored under 5 U.S.C. 8337(e) (after December 31, 1983), may elect to resume

the Basic insurance held immediately before his/her disability annuity terminated. OPM must receive the election within 60 days after OPM mails a notice of insurance eligibility and an election form.

- (b) An annuitant described in paragraph (a) of this section may elect to resume any Optional insurance held immediately before the annuity terminated if:
- (1) He/she has made an election under paragraph (a) of this section; and
- (2) OPM receives the election within 60 days after OPM mails a notice of insurance eligibility and an election form.
- (c) Basic and Optional insurance reinstated under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section is effective on the 1st day of the month after the date OPM receives the election. Any applicable annuity withholdings are also reinstated on the 1st day of the month after OPM receives the election.
- (d) The amounts of Basic and Optional insurance reinstated under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section are the amounts that would have been in force if the individual's annuity hadn't terminated.

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§870.707 Reemployed annuitants.

- (a)(1) If an insured annuitant is appointed to a position in which he/she is eligible for insurance, the amount of his/her Basic life insurance as an annuitant (and any applicable annuity withholdings) is suspended on the day before the 1st day in pay status under the appointment, unless the reemployed annuitant waives all insurance coverage. The Basic insurance benefit payable upon the death of a reemployed annuitant who has Basic insurance in force as an employee can't be less than the benefit which would have been payable if the individual hadn't been reemployed.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the Basic insurance obtained as an employee stops with no 31-day extension of coverage or conversion right, on the date reemployment terminates. Any suspended Basic insurance (and any applicable annuity