

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY
202 ARBOR LAKE DRIVE
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29223**

**Intent to Award
Posting Date: May 6, 2022**

This is a statement of intent to award a contract and becomes final Wednesday, May 18, 2022, unless otherwise suspended or canceled. Vendors are cautioned not to begin work on the contract or incur any costs associated with the contract prior to the date for commencement of performance of the contract. The State assumes no liability for the expenses incurred by vendors prior to that date.

Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract shall protest within seven business days of the date notification of award is posted in accordance with this Code. A protest shall be in writing, shall set forth the grounds of the protest and the relief requested with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided, and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. [Section 11-35- 4210]

PROTEST - CPO ADDRESS - MMO: Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov (b) by facsimile at (803-737-0639 or (c) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Solicitation: Group Life, Optional Life and AD&D Insurance for State Employees

Issue Date: 03/11/2022

Opening Date: 04/29/2022

Awarded To: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
501 US Highway 22
Bridgewater NJ 08807

Initial Contract Period: January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025

Maximum Contract Period: January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027

Total Composite Rate: .1473



**Georgia Gillens, CPPO, CPPB, NIGP-CPP
Procurement Officer**