

Washington Insurance Licensing Change to Policy will begin July 1, 2009

Beginning July 1, 2009, the State of Washington is implementing a new Producer system and as a result, your ability to sell variable products may be affected. Variable licensing will become a new line of authority.

If you are currently licensed to sell Variable products in the State of Washington, you need to do the following:

- 1) Communicate in **writing** to the State of Washington Insurance Department by memo or e-mail to licinfo@oic.wa.gov and include: 1) Your Name, 2) Washington Insurance License Number, and; 3) CRD Number and indicate that you wish to have the variable line added. They will then add the variable to your existing license. This option will also be available through the Online Services on / after July 1st on the State Licensing website at http://www.insurance.wa.gov/agents_brokers/index.shtml. If you have additional questions, you can contact them by phone at 360-725-7144 (request to be routed to Licensing).

MetLife is contacting their appointed Agents to get their information updated, but we haven't heard of any other insurance companies proactively reaching out to the Agents. There may be additional information required by the companies which you are currently appointed, but according to the State of Washington Insurance Licensing Department, you only need to contact WA State per the instructions above.