## **Canadian Entertainment Industry Retirement Plan**

helping members Retire with Dignity



Listening to member feedback, the Retirement Committee is very pleased to announce that the **Canadian Entertainment Industry Retirement Plan (CEIRP)** will offer **Tax-free Savings Accounts (TFSA)** as an additional investment option for <u>unrestricted contributions</u>, <u>only.</u>

The TFSA was introduced by the Government of Canada in 2009, and is open to all Canadian residents, age 18 and older. The TFSA allows Canadians to earn tax-free investment income, thereby making it easier to meet lifetime savings needs. The TFSA complements existing registered savings plans, such as Registered Retirement Savings Plans (RRSP), and is intended as simply another investment option for your savings.

Under the Plan, the same investment options and associated fees as those of the RRSP accounts will apply to the TFSA. Members who wish to utilize the TFSA will be responsible for determining, monitoring and applying their applicable contribution limits. Contributions to a TFSA will be accepted in the following ways:

- o <u>Transfer of funds:</u> from their personal bank account using the Transfer Authorization Form. The member must mail the form directly to the financial institution they are transferring <u>from</u>.
- <u>Lump-sum deposit</u>: by writing a cheque on their personal bank account, payable to "London Life" and mailing it, along with a Lump-sum contribution form for the TFSA, directly to the Great-West Life London, ON office.
- o <u>Direct-debit</u>: from their personal bank account by setting up a Pre-Authorized Contribution (PAC). The member can mail the form and a cancelled cheque directly to the Great-West Life's London, ON office.
- Request a transfer of unrestricted Non-Registered Savings Plan (NRSP) funds: by means of a phone
  call to the Great-West Life call centre. The member must contact the call centre each time they wish
  to make a transfer.

TFSA forms are included in the back of this magazine. To enrol, please complete the "Application for membership in a tax-free savings account" form. To transfer a TFSA account from another institution to your Great-West Life account, please complete the "Transfer Authorization for TFSA" form. To set up a monthly deposit from your bank account to your TFSA, please complete the "Pre-Authorized Contribution Agreement" form. To send a personal cheque as a deposit into the TFSA, please complete the "Lump-sum deposit to a Tax-free Savings Account" form.

All completed forms should be submitted to **Great-West Life, Group Retirement Services, 255 Dufferin Avenue, T540, London, ON N6A 4K1**.

Any questions regarding the completion of the forms should be directed to the **Great-West Life Client Service Centre at 1-800-724-3402**.

**NATIONAL RETIREMENT COMMITTEE** 

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