# National Electrical Annuity Plan Lump Sum Benefit Application

To avoid delays in the processing and payment of your benefit, please follow these instructions carefully and completely.

- 1. Print all information requested.
- 2. Read and respond to each page carefully.
- 3. Remember to attach supporting documentation.
- 4. Remember to sign and date this application.

Once your completed application and the required documents are received, the Plan will send you a letter acknowledging receipt of the application. If you do not receive a letter within 30 days, you should contact the Plan's office.

If your claim is denied, a written notice of the reason for denial of benefits will be sent to you.

# PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION WITH ATTACHMENTS TO:

National Electrical Annuity Plan Suite 500 2400 Research Blvd Rockville, MD 20850-3266

If you have any questions about the National Electrical Annuity Plan or this application you may call the Plan's office at 301-556-4300 or visit our website at <u>WWW.NEBF.COM</u>.

# **Proof of Age**

To be eligible for a pension, you are required to submit proof of age. Submitting one clear photocopy from the Primary Proof list (below on the left) satisfies the proof of age requirement. However, if you cannot submit one primary document, submitting two clear photocopies from the Secondary Proof list (below on the right) may satisfy the proof of age requirement.

**Note**: If your name on your pension application differs from your name on your proof of age, you <u>must</u> also submit documentation substantiating your name change (marriage certificate, etc.).

**Note**: If you are presently married, you are required to submit proof of marriage and your spouse is required to submit the proof of age.

**Note**: If there is a difference between the last name on your spouse's birth certificate and your marriage certificate, you must also submit proof of your spouse's name change (previous marriage certificate, divorce decree, etc.).

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Pri	mary Proof – One Required
1.	Birth Certificate
2.	Baptismal Certificate
3.	Registration of Birth
4.	Naturalization Papers
5.	Immigration Papers
6.	Passport
7.	Hospital Birth Record

Se	condary Proof – Two Required
1.	A signed statement by the physician or midwife in attendance at birth. <b>This statement must be notarized.</b>
2.	U.S. Census Record. Forms are available through the Post Office.
3.	School record certified by the custodian of such records.
4.	Military discharge papers.
5.	Vaccination record certified by the custodian of such records.
6.	The signed application for a life insurance policy and attached insurance policy bearing the age or date of birth of applicant.
7.	Marriage records showing the date of birth or age. Application for marriage license, marriage certificate, or church record certified by the custodian of such records.
8.	Child's birth certificate showing your age at the time of their birth.

Note: If any of these documents are in a foreign language, a certified English translation is required.

**Note:** If original documents are submitted, a copy will be made by the Fund office and the original documents will be returned by U.S. mail to the applicant's current mailing address on file.

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Enter the NEAP participant's Social Security Number, full name, date of birth, current mailing address and telephone number.

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If you have been previously married, please provide the information below. <u>Note: If divorced, submit copies of all Divorce Decrees</u> <u>and Marital Settlement Agreements.</u>

## LIST ALL PREVIOUS SPOUSE(S)

		(•)	Reason (Divorce, Death, Etc.)				
Name	Date Married	Date Marriage Ended					



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Please provide information regarding your present or most recent NEAP employer, home local union number in the electrical industry and last day worked.

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Because of the complexity of the rules concerning the tax treatment of distributions received from the Plan, we suggest that you read the enclosed "Special Tax Notice Regarding Plan Payments" thoroughly, and that you obtain advice from your personal tax advisor before making your decision.

## Instructions:

Below you will find an explanation of the four (4) benefit options which are available to you. You may allocate your entire account balance any way you choose----all to one benefit option or split among the options.

Circle the number(s) next to the benefit options(s) you would like to select and then enter either the dollar amount or the percentage of your account balance you would like to have allocated to each of the options you choose.

I elect, with the consent of my spouse, if applicable, to have my benefit paid as follows, in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the National Electrical Annuity Plan:

- 1.\_\_\_\_\_Pay the amount on line one (1) directly to me. I understand that twenty percent (20%) of this amount will be withheld for federal income taxes. If you are not a citizen or resident alien of the United States, you may be subject to a different withholding rate.
- 2.———Roll over the amount on line two (2) into a qualified Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA), in accordance with the "Individual Retirement Arrangement Rollover Authorization" form I have included in this application.
- 3.\_\_\_\_\_Roll over the amount on line three (3) into a qualified defined-contribution plan, in accordance with the "Defined Contribution Plan Rollover Authorization" form I have included in this application.
- 4. **Annuity purchase.** Use the amount on line four (4) to purchase an annuity on my behalf, from an insurance company of my own choosing. I have provided information about the insurance company in the spaces below. I understand that twenty percent (20%) of this amount will be withheld for federal income taxes. **If you are not a citizen or resident alien of the United States, you may be subject to a different withholding rate.**

Contact person and address of insurance company if selecting option four (4).

Name		
Address Line 1		
Address Line 2		
City	State	Zip Code



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# SPOUSE OPTION FORM

## (This section must be completed if your account balance exceeds \$5,000.00)

#### Instructions:

If the balance of your Individual Account exceeds **<u>\$5,000.00</u>**, federal law and the Plan of Benefits for NEAP require that your spouse consent to the selection of a form of benefit other than the Joint and Survivor Annuity Benefit. If you have selected another form of benefit, the following Consent must be signed by your spouse and notarized. If your spouse does not consent to another form of benefit, the law requires that the balance of your Individual Account be paid to you in the form of the Joint and Survivor Annuity Benefit.

# SPOUSE'S CONSENT TO PARTICIPANT'S ELECTION OF BENEFITS IN A FORM OTHER THAN THE JOINT AND SURVIVOR ANNUITY BENEFIT

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# Individual Retirement Arrangement Rollover Authorization

If you wish to have any portion of your benefit from the National Electrical Annuity Plan (NEAP) rolled over into an Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA), you will need to have your IRA trustee (in most cases, this will be a bank or other financial institution) complete the information below. We will be issuing a check directly to the trustee of your IRA. To ensure that you receive credit for the funds we are transferring, it is important that all items are fully completed.

#### Participant's name:

Participant's Social Security Number:\_

Approximate amount to be rolled over:

# THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

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# **Defined Contribution Plan Rollover Authorization**

If you wish to have any portion of your benefit from the National Electrical Annuity Plan (NEAP) rolled over into a qualified defined contribution plan, you will need to have the trustee of that plan complete the information below. We will be issuing a check directly to the plan trustee. To ensure that you receive credit for the funds we are transferring, it is important that all items are fully completed.

Participant's name:

Participant's Social Security Number:\_

Approximate amount to be rolled over:

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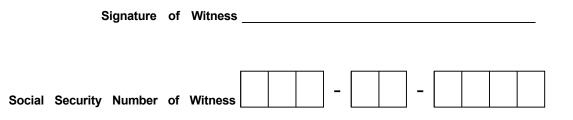


# Incomplete or inaccurate information may delay the processing of your NEAP Lump Sum Benefit Application.

I hereby apply for a withdrawal from the National Electrical Annuity Plan. All the information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if I make a willfully false or fraudulent statement material to this application, or at any time in the application process, or furnish fraudulent information or proof material to this claim, benefits paid solely on account of my false statement will be denied, suspended or discontinued, and that the Trustees shall have the right to recover any payments made to me because of a false statement. Further, I understand that any false or fraudulent statement made during the application process may subject me to sanctions or prosecution under Federal and State law.



If you are not able to sign, place an (X) mark on the signature line in the presence of a disinterested party. The witness must sign below and include his or her Social Security Number.





# **Required Documents**

NEAP has designed a list to help ensure that you have enclosed all necessary documents with your benefit application. Any missing or incomplete documents may delay the processing of your NEAP lump sum benefit application.

## Copies or originals must be submitted.

#### Please enclose:

- Copy of Participant's Social Security Card
  - Copy of Participant's Birth Certificate/Proof of Age

#### If you are presently married and your individual account balance is equal to or over \$5,000.00:

- Copy of Spouse's Social Security Card
- Copy of Spouse's Birth Certificate/Proof of Age
- Copy of Marriage Certificate

If there is a difference between the last name on your Spouse's Birth Certificate and your Marriage Certificate, please submit proof of any name change along with a notarized statement indicating a reason for the change.

#### If you have been previously married:

Entire copy of all divorce decrees, Qualified Domestic Relations Orders (QDROs), separation papers and death certificates

#### If participant or spouse has ever used a different name:

] If you have ever used a different name, please provide supporting documentation. (example: adoption papers or court order)

#### Please review your benefit application to make sure you have filled out all pages completely and accurately.



# YOUR ROLLOVER OPTIONS FROM THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL ANNUITY PLAN

You are receiving this notice because all or a portion of a payment you are receiving from the National Electrical Annuity Plan (the "Plan") is eligible to be rolled over to an IRA or an employer plan. This notice is intended to help you decide whether to do such a rollover.

Rules that apply to most payments from a plan are described in the "General Information About Rollovers" section. Special rules that only apply in certain circumstances are described in the "Special Rules and Options" section.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ROLLOVERS**

#### How can a rollover affect my taxes?

You will be taxed on a payment from the Plan if you do not roll it over. If you are under age 59½ and do not do a rollover, you will also have to pay a 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). However, if you do a rollover, you will not have to pay tax until you receive payments later and the 10% additional income tax will not apply if those payments are made after you are age 59½ (or if an exception applies).

#### Where may I roll over the payment?

You may roll over the payment to either an IRA (an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity) or an employer plan (a tax-qualified plan, section 403(b) plan, or governmental section 457(b) plan) that will accept the rollover. The rules of the IRA or employer plan that holds the rollover will determine your investment options, fees, and rights to payment from the IRA or employer plan (for example, no spousal consent rules apply to IRAs and IRAs may not provide loans). Further, the amount rolled over will become subject to the tax rules that apply to the IRA or employer plan.

## How do I do a rollover?

There are two ways to do a rollover. You can do either a direct rollover or a 60-day rollover.

<u>If you do a direct rollover</u>, the Plan will make the payment directly to your IRA or an employer plan. You should contact the IRA sponsor or the administrator of the employer plan for information on how to do a direct rollover.

<u>If you do not do a direct rollover</u>, you may still do a rollover by making a deposit into an IRA or eligible employer plan that will accept it. You will have 60 days after you receive the payment to make the deposit. If you do not do a direct rollover, the Plan is required to withhold 20% of the payment for federal income taxes. This means that, in order to roll over the entire payment in a 60-day rollover, you must use other funds to make up for the 20% withheld. If you do not roll over the entire amount of the payment, the portion not rolled over will be taxed and will be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions if you are under age 59½ (unless an exception applies).

## How much may I roll over?

If you wish to do a rollover, you may roll over all or part of the amount eligible for rollover. Any payment from the Plan is eligible for rollover, except:

- Certain payments spread over a period of at least 10 years or over your life or life expectancy (or the lives or joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary)
- Required minimum distributions after age 70<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (or after death)

The Plan administrator or the payor can tell you what portion of a payment is eligible for rollover.

# If I don't do a rollover, will I have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions?

If you are under age 59½, you will have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions for any payment from the Plan (including amounts withheld for income tax) that you do not roll over, unless one of the exceptions listed below applies. This tax is in addition to the regular income tax on the payment not rolled over.

The 10% additional income tax does not apply to the following payments from the Plan:

- Payments made after you separate from service if you will be at least age 55 in the year of the separation
- Payments that start after you separate from service if paid at least annually in equal or close to equal amounts over your life or life expectancy (or the lives or joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary)
- Payments made due to disability
- Payments after your death
- Payments made directly to the government to satisfy a federal tax levy
- Payments made under a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO)
- Payments up to the amount of your deductible medical expenses

# If I do a rollover to an IRA, will the 10% additional income tax apply to early distributions from the IRA?

If you receive a payment from an IRA when you are under age 59½, you will have to pay the 10% additional income tax on early distributions from the IRA, unless an exception applies. In general, the exceptions to the 10% additional income tax for early distributions from an IRA are the same as the exceptions listed above for early distributions from a plan. However, there are a few differences for payments from an IRA, including (but not limited to):

- There is no exception for payments after separation from service that are made after age 55.
- The exception for qualified domestic relations orders (QDROs) does not apply (although a special rule applies under which, as part of a divorce or separation agreement, a tax-free transfer may be made directly to an IRA of a spouse or former spouse).
- The exception for payments made at least annually in equal or close to equal amounts over a specified period applies without regard to whether you have had a separation from service.
- There are additional exceptions for (1) payments for qualified higher education expenses, (2) payments up to \$10,000 used in a qualified first-time home purchase, and (3) payments after you have received unemployment compensation for 12 consecutive weeks (or would have been eligible to receive unemployment compensation but for self-employed status).

## Will I owe State income taxes?

This notice does not describe any State or local income tax rules (including withholding rules).

# SPECIAL RULES AND OPTIONS

## If you miss the 60-day rollover deadline

Generally, the 60-day rollover deadline cannot be extended. However, the IRS has the limited authority to waive the deadline under certain extraordinary circumstances, such as when external events prevented you from completing the rollover by the 60-day rollover deadline. To apply for a waiver, you must file a private letter ruling requests with the IRS. Private letter ruling requests require the payment of a nonrefundable user fee. For more information, see IRS Publication 590, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs).

# If you were born on or before January 1, 1936

If you were born on or before January 1, 1936 and receive a lump sum distribution that you do not roll over, special rules for calculating the amount of the tax on the payment might apply to you. For more information, see IRS Publication 575, Pension and Annuity Income.

# If you roll over your payment to a Roth IRA

If you roll over the payment to a Roth IRA, a special rule applies under which the amount of the payment rolled over (reduced by any after-tax amounts) will be taxed. However, the 10% additional income tax on early distributions will not apply (unless you take the amount rolled over out of the Roth IRA within 5 years, counting from January 1 of the year of the rollover). For payments from the Plan during 2010 that are rolled over to a Roth IRA, the taxable amount can be spread over a 2-year period starting in 2011.

If you roll over the payment to a Roth IRA, later payments from the Roth IRA that are qualified distributions will not be taxed (including earnings after the rollover). A qualified distribution from a Roth IRA is a payment made after you are age 59½ (or after your death or disability, or as a qualified first-time homebuyer distribution of up to \$10,000) and after you have had a Roth IRA for at least 5 years. In applying this 5-year rule, you count from January 1 of the year for which your first contribution was made to a Roth IRA. Payments from the Roth IRA that are not qualified distributions will be taxed to the extent of earnings after the rollover, including the 10% additional income tax on early distributions (unless an exception applies). You do not have to take required minimum distributions from a Roth IRA during your lifetime. For more information, see IRS Publication 590, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs).

You cannot roll over a payment from the Plan to a designated Roth account in an employer plan.

## If you are not a plan participant

<u>Payments after death of the participant</u>. If you receive a distribution after the participant's death that you do not roll over, the distribution will generally be taxed in the same manner described elsewhere in this notice. However, the 10% additional income tax on early distributions does not apply, and the special rule described under the section "If you were born on or before January 1, 1936" applies only if the participant was born on or before January 1, 1936.

**If you are a surviving spouse.** If you receive a payment from the Plan as the surviving spouse of a deceased participant, you have the same rollover options that the participant would have had, as described elsewhere in this notice. In addition, if you choose to do a rollover to an IRA, you may treat the IRA as your own or as an inherited IRA. An IRA you treat as your own is treated like any other IRA of yours, so that payments made to you before you are age 59<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> will be subject to the 10% additional income tax on

early distributions (unless an exception applies) and required minimum distributions from your IRA do not have to start until after you are age 70½.

If you treat the IRA as an inherited IRA, payments from the IRA will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions. However, if the participant had started taking required minimum distributions, you will have to receive required minimum distributions from the inherited IRA. If the participant had not started taking required minimum distributions from the Plan, you will not have to start receiving required minimum distributions from the inherited into the participant would have been age  $70\frac{1}{2}$ .

**If you are a surviving beneficiary other than a spouse**. If you receive a payment from the Plan because of the participant's death and you are a designated beneficiary other than a surviving spouse, the only rollover option you have is to do a direct rollover to an inherited IRA. Payments from the inherited IRA will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions. You will have to receive required minimum distributions from the inherited IRA.

Payments under a qualified domestic relations order. If you are the spouse or former spouse of the participant who receives a payment from the Plan under a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO), you generally have the same options the participant would have (for example, you may roll over the payment to your own IRA or an eligible employer plan that will accept it). Payments under the QDRO will not be subject to the 10% additional income tax on early distributions.

## If you are a nonresident alien

If you are a nonresident alien and you do not do a direct rollover to a U.S. IRA or U.S. employer plan, instead of withholding 20%, the Plan is generally required to withhold 30% of the payment for federal income taxes. If the amount withheld exceeds the amount of tax you owe (as may happen if you do a 60-day rollover), you may request an income tax refund by filing Form 1040NR and attaching your Form 1042-S. See Form W-8BEN for claiming that you are entitled to a reduced rate of withholding under an income tax treaty. For more information, see also IRS Publication 519, U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens, and IRS Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities.

## Other special rules

If a payment is one in a series of payments for less than 10 years, your choice whether to make a direct rollover will apply to all later payments in the series (unless you make a different choice for later payments).

If your payments for the year are less than \$200 (not including payments from a designated Roth account in the Plan), the Plan is not required to allow you to do a direct rollover and is not required to withhold for federal income taxes. However, you may do a 60-day rollover.

You may have special rollover rights if you recently served in the U.S. Armed Forces. For more information, see IRS Publication 3, Armed Forces' Tax Guide.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

You may wish to consult with the Plan administrator or a professional tax advisor before taking a payment from the Plan. Also, you can find more detailed information on the federal tax treatment of payments from employer plans in: IRS Publication 575, Pension and Annuity Income; IRS Publication 590, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs); and IRS Publication 571, Tax-Sheltered Annuity Plans (403(b) Plans). These publications are available from a local IRS office, on the web at www.irs.gov, or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM.