

# ING USA Annuity and Life Insurance Company

## Fixed Account I

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Fixed Account I (“Fixed Account”) is an optional fixed interest allocation offered during the accumulation phase of your deferred combination variable and fixed annuity contract (the “Contract”) between you and ING USA Annuity and Life Insurance Company (“ING USA,” the “Company,” “we” or “our”). The Fixed Account, which is a segregated asset account of ING USA, provides a means for you to invest on a tax-deferred basis and earn a guaranteed interest rate for guaranteed interest periods (Fixed Interest Allocation(s)). We will credit your Fixed Interest Allocation(s) with a fixed rate of interest. We generally offer several Fixed Interest Allocations at any one time. We reserve the right to limit the number of Fixed Interest Allocations or the availability of certain Fixed Interest Allocations. The number of Fixed Interest Allocations offered may vary by state, we may not offer all Fixed Interest Allocations on all Contracts, and the rates for a given Fixed Interest Allocation may vary among Contracts. We set the interest rates periodically. We may credit a different interest rate for each Fixed Interest Allocation. The interest you earn in the Fixed Account as well as your principal is guaranteed by ING USA, as long as you do not take your money out before the maturity date for the applicable interest period. If you take your money out from a Fixed Interest Allocation more than 30 days before the applicable maturity date, we will apply a market value adjustment (“Market Value Adjustment”). A Market Value Adjustment could increase or decrease your contract value and/or the amount you take out. A surrender charge may also apply to withdrawals from your contract. You bear the risk that you may receive less than your principal because of the Market Value Adjustment.

You have a right to return a contract for a refund as described in the variable annuity contract prospectus.

The variable annuity contract prospectus describes the Contract offered by ING USA. The Contract is available in connection with certain retirement plans that qualify for special federal income tax treatment as well as those that do not qualify for such treatment. Please refer to the Contract prospectus for more information.

This prospectus accompanies a Contract prospectus and provides information that you should know before investing in the Fixed Account and should be kept for future reference. If you need more information after reading this prospectus, please contact us at our Customer Service Center, P.O. Box 9271, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9271 or call (800) 366-0066 or your registered representative. Either prospectus is available without charge upon request. To obtain a copy of these documents, write to or call our Customer Service Center or access the SEC’s website (<http://www.sec.gov>).

**The Securities and Exchange Commission has not approved or disapproved these securities or passed upon the adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

**An investment in the Fixed Account is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by any bank or by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.**

**This prospectus must be accompanied or preceded by a current prospectus for a variable Contract.**

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## FEES AND EXPENSES

The variable Contract has insurance features and investment features, and there are charges related to each. For more information about these Contract fees and expenses please refer to the Contract prospectus.

## ING USA ANNUITY AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

ING USA Annuity and Life Insurance Company (“ING USA”) is an Iowa stock life insurance company, which was originally incorporated in Minnesota on January 2, 1973. ING USA is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lion Connecticut Holdings Inc. (“Lion Connecticut”), which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of ING Groep N.V. (“ING”), a global financial services holding company based in The Netherlands. ING USA is authorized to sell insurance and annuities in all states, except New York and the District of Columbia. Although we are a subsidiary of ING, ING is not responsible for the obligations under the Contract. The obligations under the Contract are solely the responsibility of ING USA.

Directed Services LLC, the distributor of the Contracts is also a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of ING.

As part of a restructuring plan approved by the European Commission, ING has agreed to separate its banking and insurance businesses by 2013. ING intends to achieve this separation by divestment of its insurance and investment management operations, including the Company. ING has announced that it will explore all options for implementing the separation including initial public offerings, sales or combinations thereof. On November 10, 2010, ING announced that ING and its U.S. insurance affiliates, including the Company, are preparing for a base case of an initial public offering (“IPO”) of the Company and its U.S.-based insurance and investment management affiliates.

Our principal office is located at 1475 Dunwoody Drive, West Chester, Pennsylvania 19380.

**Regulatory Matters.** As with many financial services companies, the Company and its affiliates periodically receive informal and formal requests for information from various state and federal governmental agencies and self-regulatory organizations in connection with examinations, inquiries, investigations and audits of the products and practices of the Company or the financial services industry. Some of these investigations and inquiries could result in regulatory action against the Company. The potential outcome of such action is difficult to predict but could subject the Company or its affiliates to adverse consequences, including, but not limited to, settlement payments, penalties, fines, and other financial liability. The potential economic consequences cannot be predicted, but management does not believe that the outcome of any such action will have a material adverse effect on the Company’s financial position or results of operations. It is the practice of the Company and its affiliates to cooperate fully in these matters.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited financial statements of ING USA Annuity and Life Insurance Company are incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

## THE FIXED INTEREST ALLOCATION

You may allocate premium payments and transfer your Contract value to the available guaranteed interest periods of the Fixed Account during the accumulation period as described in the prospectus for the Contract. Every time you allocate money to the Fixed Account, we set up a Fixed Interest Allocation for the guaranteed interest period you select. We reserve the right to limit the number of Fixed Interest Allocations or the availability of certain Fixed Interest Allocations. The number of Fixed Interest Allocations offered may vary by state, we may not offer all Fixed Interest Allocations on all Contracts, and the rates for a given Fixed Interest Allocation may vary among Contracts. You may select one or more guaranteed interest periods at any one time. We will credit your Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest rate for the interest period you select, so long as you do not withdraw money from that Fixed Interest Allocation before the end of the guaranteed interest period. Each guaranteed interest period ends on its maturity date, which is the last day of the month in which the interest period is scheduled to expire.

If you surrender, withdraw, transfer or annuitize your investment in a Fixed Interest Allocation more than 30 days before the end of the guaranteed interest period, we will apply a Market Value Adjustment to the transaction. A Market Value Adjustment could increase or decrease the amount you surrender, withdraw, transfer or annuitize, depending on current interest rates at the time of the transaction. You bear the risk that you may receive less than your principal because of the Market Value Adjustment.

Assets supporting amounts allocated to the Fixed Account are available to fund the claims of all classes of our customers, contract owners and other creditors. Interests under your Contract relating to the Fixed Account are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, but the Fixed Account is not registered.

### **Selecting a Guaranteed Interest Period**

You may select one or more Fixed Interest Allocations with specified guaranteed interest periods. A guaranteed interest period is the period that a rate of interest is guaranteed to be credited to your Fixed Interest Allocation. We may at any time decrease or increase the number of guaranteed interest periods offered. In addition, we may offer DCA Fixed Interest Allocations, which are 6-month and 1-year Fixed Interest Allocations available exclusively in connection with our dollar cost averaging program. For more information on DCA Fixed Interest Allocations, see “Transfers Among Your Investments — Dollar Cost Averaging from Fixed Interest Allocations.”

Your Contract value in the Fixed Account is the sum of your Fixed Interest Allocations and the interest credited as adjusted for any withdrawals, transfers or other charges we may impose, including any Market Value Adjustment. Your Fixed Interest Allocation will be credited with the guaranteed interest rate in effect for the guaranteed interest period you selected when we receive and accept your premium or reallocation of Contract value. We will credit interest daily at a rate that yields the quoted guaranteed interest rate.

### **Guaranteed Interest Rates**

Each Fixed Interest Allocation will have an interest rate that is guaranteed as long as you do not take your money out until its maturity date. We do not have a specific formula for establishing the guaranteed interest rates for the different guaranteed interest periods. We determine guaranteed interest rates at our sole discretion. To find out the current guaranteed interest rate for a guaranteed interest period you are interested in, please contact our Customer Service Center or your registered representative. The determination may be influenced by the interest rates on fixed income investments in which we may invest with the amounts we receive under the Contracts. We will invest these amounts primarily in investment-grade fixed income securities (i.e., rated by Standard & Poor’s rating system to be suitable for prudent investors) although we are not obligated to invest according to any particular strategy, except as may be required by applicable law. You will have no direct or indirect interest in these investments. We will also consider other factors in determining the guaranteed interest rates, including regulatory and tax requirements, sales commissions and administrative expenses borne by us, general economic trends and competitive factors. We cannot predict the level of future interest rates.

We may from time to time at our discretion offer interest rate specials for new premiums that are higher than the current base interest rate then offered. Renewal rates for such rate specials will be based on the base interest rate and not on the special rates initially declared.

### **Transfers from a Fixed Interest Allocation**

You may transfer your Contract value in a Fixed Interest Allocation to one or more new Fixed Interest Allocations with new guaranteed interest periods, or to any of the subaccounts of ING USA Annuity and Life Insurance Company Separate Account B, as described in the Contract prospectus. We will transfer amounts from your Fixed Interest Allocations starting with the guaranteed interest period nearest its maturity date, until we have honored your transfer request.

The minimum amount that you can transfer to or from any Fixed Interest Allocation is \$100. If a transfer request would reduce the Contract value remaining in a Fixed Interest Allocation to less than \$100, we will treat such transfer request as a request to transfer the entire Contract value in such Fixed Interest Allocation. Transfers from a Fixed Interest Allocation may be subject to a Market Value Adjustment. If you have a special Fixed Interest Allocation that was offered exclusively with our dollar cost averaging program, canceling dollar cost averaging will cause a transfer of the entire Contract value in such Fixed Interest Allocation to the Liquid Assets subaccount, and such a transfer will be subject to a Market Value Adjustment.

On the maturity date of a guaranteed interest period, you may transfer amounts from the applicable Fixed Interest Allocation to the subaccounts and/or to new Fixed Interest Allocations with guaranteed interest periods of any length we are offering at that time, if any. You may not, however, transfer amounts to any Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest period that extends beyond the annuity start date.

At least 30 calendar days before a maturity date of any of your Fixed Interest Allocations, or earlier if required by state law, we will send you a notice of the guaranteed interest periods that are available. You must notify us which subaccounts or new guaranteed interest periods you have selected before the maturity date of your Fixed Interest Allocations. If we do not receive timely instructions from you, we will transfer the Contract value in the maturing Fixed Interest Allocation to a new Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest period that is the same as the expiring guaranteed interest period. If such guaranteed interest period is not available or would go beyond the annuity start date, we will transfer your Contract value in the maturing Fixed Interest Allocation to the next shortest guaranteed interest period which does not go beyond the annuity start date. If no such guaranteed interest period is available, we will transfer the Contract value to a subaccount specially designated by the Company for such purpose. Currently we use the Liquid Assets subaccount for such purpose.

**Withdrawals from a Fixed Interest Allocation**

During the accumulation phase, you may withdraw a portion of your Contract value in any Fixed Interest Allocation. You may make systematic withdrawals of only the interest earned during the prior month, quarter or year, depending on the frequency chosen, from a Fixed Interest Allocation under our systematic withdrawal option. Systematic withdrawals from a Fixed Interest Allocation are not permitted if such Fixed Interest Allocation is currently participating in the dollar cost averaging program. A withdrawal from a Fixed Interest Allocation may be subject to a Market Value Adjustment and a Contract surrender charge. Be aware that withdrawals may have federal income tax consequences, including a 10% penalty tax, as well as state income tax consequences.

If you tell us the Fixed Interest Allocation from which your withdrawal will be made, we will assess the withdrawal against that Fixed Interest Allocation. If you do not, we will assess your withdrawal against the subaccounts in which you are invested, unless the withdrawal exceeds the Contract value in the subaccounts. If the withdrawal exceeds the Contract value in those subaccounts, we will deduct your withdrawal from your Fixed Interest Allocations starting with the guaranteed interest periods nearest their maturity dates until we have honored your request.

**Market Value Adjustment**

A Market Value Adjustment may decrease, increase or have no effect on your Contract value. We will apply a Market Value Adjustment (i) whenever you withdraw or transfer money from a Fixed Interest Allocation (unless made within 30 days before the maturity date of the applicable guaranteed interest period, or under the systematic withdrawal or dollar cost averaging program) and (ii) if on the annuity start date a guaranteed interest period for any Fixed Interest Allocation does not end on or within 30 days of the annuity start date.

We determine the Market Value Adjustment by multiplying the amount you withdraw, transfer or apply to an income plan by the following factor:

$$\left( \frac{1+I}{1+J+.0025} \right)^{N/365} - 1$$

Where,

- “I” is the Index Rate for a Fixed Interest Allocation on the first day of the guaranteed interest period;
- “J” is the Index Rate for a new Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest period equal to the time remaining (rounded up to the next full year) in the guaranteed interest period, except for a Fixed Interest Allocation of 6 months, where “J” is, at the time of calculation, the lesser of the Index Rate for a new Fixed Interest Allocation with (i) a 6-month guaranteed interest period, or (ii) a 1-year guaranteed interest period; and
- “N” is the remaining number of days in the guaranteed interest period at the time of calculation.

The Index Rate is the average of the Ask Yields for U.S. Treasury STRIPS as quoted by a national quoting service for a period equal to the applicable guaranteed interest period. The average currently is based on the period starting from the 22nd day of the calendar month two months prior to the month of the Index Rate determination and ending the 21st day of the calendar month immediately before the month of determination. We currently calculate the Index Rate once each calendar month but have the right to calculate it more frequently. The Index Rate will always be based on a period of at least 28 days. If the Ask Yields are no longer available, we will determine the Index Rate by using a suitable and approved, if required, replacement method.

A Market Value Adjustment may be positive, negative or result in no change. In general, if interest rates are rising, you bear the risk that any Market Value Adjustment will likely be negative and reduce your Contract value. On the other hand, if interest rates are falling, it is more likely that you will receive a positive Market Value Adjustment that increases your Contract value. In the event of a full surrender, transfer or annuitization from a Fixed Interest Allocation, we will add or subtract any Market Value Adjustment from the amount surrendered, transferred or annuitized. In the event of a partial withdrawal, transfer or annuitization, we will add or subtract any Market Value Adjustment from the total amount withdrawn, transferred or annuitized in order to provide the amount requested. If a negative Market Value Adjustment exceeds your Contract value in the Fixed Interest Allocation, we will consider your request to be a full surrender, transfer or annuitization of the Fixed Interest Allocation.

Several examples which illustrate how the Market Value Adjustment works are included in Appendix A.

## SPECIAL FUNDS

We use the term Special Funds in the discussion of the enhanced death benefit options and the optional riders in certain Contract prospectuses. The Special Funds currently include Fixed Interest Allocations and certain variable subaccounts as described in your Contract prospectus. The Company may, at any time, designate any new and/or existing investment option as a Special Fund with 30 days notice with respect to new premiums added or transfers to such subaccount. Designation of an investment option as a Special Fund may vary by benefit. For example, an investment option may be designated a Special Fund for purposes of calculating a living benefit, but not a death benefit or for calculating one death benefit and not another. Please see your Contract prospectus for more information.

## THE ANNUITY CONTRACT

The Contract is described in another prospectus. This prospectus describes the Fixed Account and the operations of any Fixed Interest Allocation under your Contract.

**Contract Value in the Fixed Interest Allocations.** On the contract date, the Contract value in any Fixed Interest Allocation in which you are invested is equal to the portion of the initial premium paid and designated for allocation to the Fixed Interest Allocation. On each business day after the contract date, we calculate the amount of Contract value in each Fixed Interest Allocation as follows:

- 1) We take the Contract value in the Fixed Interest Allocation at the end of the preceding business day.
- 2) We credit a daily rate of interest on (1) at the guaranteed rate since the preceding business day.
- 3) We add (1) and (2).
- 4) We subtract from (3) any transfers from that Fixed Interest Allocation.
- 5) We subtract from (4) any withdrawals, and then subtract any contract fees (including any rider charges) and premium taxes.

Additional premium payments and transfers allocated to the Fixed Account will be placed in a new Fixed Interest Allocation. The Contract value on the date of allocation will be the amount allocated.

### Cash Surrender Value

The cash surrender value is the amount you receive when you surrender the Contract. The cash surrender value will fluctuate daily based on the interest credited to Fixed Interest Allocations, any Market Value Adjustment, and any surrender charge. We do not guarantee any minimum cash surrender value. On any date during the accumulation phase, we calculate the cash surrender value as follows: we start with your Contract value, then we adjust for any Market Value Adjustment, and then we deduct any surrender charge, any charge for premium taxes, the annual contract administrative fee (unless waived), and any optional benefit rider charge, and any other charges incurred but not yet deducted. Several examples which illustrate how the Market Value Adjustment works are included in Appendix A.

## WITHDRAWALS

Any time during the accumulation phase and before the death of the contract owner, except under certain qualified contracts, you may withdraw all or part of your money. Keep in mind that if you request a withdrawal for more than 90% of the cash surrender value, and the remaining cash surrender value after the withdrawal is less than \$2,500, we will treat it as a request to surrender the Contract.

You need to submit to us a written request specifying the Fixed Interest Allocations or subaccounts from which amounts are to be withdrawn, otherwise the withdrawal will be made on a pro rata basis from all of the subaccounts in which you are invested. If there is not enough Contract value in the subaccounts, we will deduct the balance of the withdrawal from your Fixed Interest Allocations starting with the guaranteed interest periods nearest their maturity dates until we have honored your request. We will apply a Market Value Adjustment to any withdrawal from your Fixed Interest Allocation taken more than 30 days before its maturity date. We will determine the Contract value as of the close of business on the day we receive your withdrawal request at our Customer Service Center. The Contract value may be more or less than the premium payments made. Please see the Contract prospectus for the application of surrender charges to withdrawals.

We offer the following three withdrawal options:

### **Regular Withdrawals**

After the free look period, you may make regular withdrawals. Each withdrawal must be a minimum of \$100. We will apply a Market Value Adjustment to any regular withdrawal from a Fixed Interest Allocation that is taken more than 30 days before its maturity date.

### **Systematic Withdrawals**

See the Contract prospectus for general information on Systematic Withdrawals.

Systematic withdrawals from Fixed Interest Allocations are limited to interest earnings during the prior month, quarter, or year, depending on the frequency you chose. Systematic withdrawals are not subject to a Market Value Adjustment, unless you have added the Fixed Dollar Systematic Withdrawal Feature discussed below and the payments exceed interest earnings. Systematic withdrawals from Fixed Interest Allocations under the Fixed Dollar Systematic Withdrawal Feature are available only in connection with Section 72(q) and 72(t) distributions. A Fixed Interest Allocation may not participate in both the systematic withdrawal option and the dollar cost averaging program at the same time.

**Fixed Dollar Systematic Withdrawal Feature.** You may add the Fixed Dollar Systematic Withdrawal Feature to your regular fixed dollar systematic withdrawal program. This feature allows you to receive a systematic withdrawal in a fixed dollar amount regardless of any Market Value Adjustments. Systematic withdrawals from Fixed Interest Allocations under the Fixed Dollar Systematic Withdrawal Feature are available only in connection with Section 72(q) and 72(t) distributions. We will assess a Market Value Adjustment on the withdrawal date if the withdrawal from a Fixed Interest Allocation exceeds your interest earnings on the withdrawal date. We will adjust the amount withdrawn to include any Market Value Adjustment so that the amount of each systematic withdrawal remains fixed, unless you direct otherwise.

### **IRA Withdrawals**

See the Contract prospectus for general information on IRA Withdrawals.

An IRA withdrawal from a Fixed Interest Allocation in excess of the amount allowed under systematic withdrawals will be subject to a Market Value Adjustment.

**Consult your tax adviser regarding the tax consequences associated with taking withdrawals.** You are responsible for determining that withdrawals comply with applicable law. A withdrawal made before the taxpayer reaches age 59½ may result in a 10% penalty tax. See “Federal Tax Considerations” in the Contract prospectus for more details.

## TRANSFERS AMONG YOUR INVESTMENTS

You may transfer your Contract value among the subaccounts in which you are invested and your Fixed Interest Allocations at the end of the free look period until the annuity start date. See the Contract prospectus for general information regarding transfers including transfers by third parties. We will apply a Market Value Adjustment to transfers from a Fixed Interest Allocation taken more than 30 days before its maturity date, unless the transfer is made under the dollar cost averaging program.

If you allocate Contract value to an investment option that has been designated as a Restricted Fund, your ability to transfer Contract value to the Restricted Fund may be limited. A transfer to the Restricted Funds will not be permitted to the extent that it would increase the Contract value in the Restricted Fund to more than the applicable limits following the transfer. We do not limit transfers from Restricted Funds. If the result of multiple reallocations is to lower the percentage of total Contract value in the Restricted Fund, the reallocation will be permitted even if the percentage of Contract value in the Restricted Fund is greater than the limit.

Transfers will be based on values at the end of the business day in which the transfer request is received at our Customer Service Center.

The minimum amount that you may transfer is \$100 or, if less, your entire Contract value held in a subaccount or a Fixed Interest Allocation.

### **Dollar Cost Averaging from Fixed Interest Allocations**

You may elect to participate in our dollar cost averaging program in Fixed Account Interest Allocations starting 30 days after the Contract Date. The Fixed Interest Allocations serve as the source accounts from which we will, on a monthly basis, automatically transfer a set dollar amount of money to contract investment portfolio subaccounts selected by you.

The dollar cost averaging program is designed to lessen the impact of market fluctuation on your investment. Since we transfer the same dollar amount to subaccounts each month, more units of a subaccount are purchased if the value of its unit is low and fewer units are purchased if the value of its unit is high. Therefore, a lower than average value per unit may be achieved over the long term. However, we cannot guarantee this. When you elect the dollar cost averaging program, you are continuously investing in securities regardless of fluctuating price levels. You should consider your tolerance for investing through periods of fluctuating price levels.

You elect the dollar amount you want transferred under this program. Each monthly transfer must be at least \$100. You may change the transfer amount once each contract year.

Transfers from a Fixed Interest Allocation under the dollar cost averaging program are not subject to a Market Value Adjustment.

If you do not specify the subaccounts to which the dollar amount of the source account is to be transferred, we will transfer the money to the subaccounts in which you are invested on a proportional basis. The transfer date is the same day each month as your contract date. If, on any transfer date, your Contract value in a source account is equal or less than the amount you have elected to have transferred, the entire amount will be transferred and the program will end. You may terminate the dollar cost averaging program at any time by sending satisfactory notice to our Customer Service Center at least 7 days before the next transfer date. A Fixed Interest Allocation may not participate in the dollar cost averaging program and in systematic withdrawals at the same time.

See “Dollar Cost Averaging” in the Contract prospectus for a discussion of transferring to a Restricted Fund.

We may in the future offer additional subaccounts or withdraw any subaccount or Fixed Interest Allocation to or from the dollar cost averaging program or otherwise modify, suspend or terminate this program. Of course, such change will not affect any dollar cost averaging programs in operation at the time.



## **CHARGES AND FEES**

The Contract has insurance features and investment features, and there are charges related to each. For the insurance features, the Company deducts a mortality and expense risk charge, an asset-based administrative charge, and an annual contract administrative charge. Depending on your Contract, you may also be able to purchase optional benefit riders, charges for which are deducted from your Contract value. We deduct the mortality and expense risk charge and the asset-based administrative charges daily directly from your Contract value in the subaccounts. We deduct the charge for the earnings multiplier benefit rider, if applicable, from your Fixed Interest Allocations as well.

When deducting the other contract charges and rider charges, if the value in the subaccounts is insufficient, the contract charges and rider charge will be deducted from the Fixed Interest Allocations starting with the guaranteed interest periods nearest their maturity dates until the charge has been paid and the amount deducted may be subject to a Market Value Adjustment. See the Contract prospectus for more information.

## **DEATH BENEFIT AND OPTIONAL RIDERS**

Please refer to your Contract prospectus for descriptions of benefits under the Contract and the effect of your Fixed Interest Allocations on those benefits and riders. For purposes of calculating the death benefits, certain investment portfolios and the Fixed Account may be designated as “Special Funds.” Selecting a Special Fund may limit or reduce the death benefit.

## **OTHER CONTRACT PROVISIONS**

### **Suspension of Payments**

We have the right to delay payment of amounts from a Fixed Interest Allocation for up to 6 months.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

### **State Regulation**

We are regulated by the Insurance Department of the State of Iowa. We are also subject to the insurance laws and regulations of all jurisdictions where we do business. We are required to submit annual statements of our operations, including financial statements, to the Insurance Departments of the various jurisdictions in which we do business to determine solvency and compliance with state insurance laws and regulations.

### **Legal Proceedings**

The Company is involved in threatened or pending lawsuits/arbitrations arising from the normal conduct of business. Due to the climate in insurance and business litigation/arbitration, suits against the Company sometimes include claims for substantial compensatory, consequential or punitive damages and other types of relief. Moreover, certain claims are asserted as class actions, purporting to represent a group of similarly situated individuals. While it is not possible to forecast the outcome of such lawsuits/arbitrations, in light of existing insurance, reinsurance and established reserves, it is the opinion of management that the disposition of such lawsuits/arbitrations will not have a materially adverse effect on the Company’s operations or financial position.

Directed Services LLC, the principal underwriter and distributor of the contract, is a party to threatened or pending lawsuits/arbitration that generally arise from the normal conduct of business. Some of these suits may seek class action status and sometimes include claims for substantial compensatory, consequential or punitive damages and other types of relief. Directed Services LLC, is not involved in any legal proceeding that in the opinion of management, is likely to have a material adverse effect on its ability to distribute the contract.

**Experts**

The financial statements of the Company appearing in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 (including schedules appearing therein), have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated by reference, and incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

**Further Information**

This prospectus does not contain all of the information contained in the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. Portions of the registration statement have been omitted from this prospectus as allowed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). You may obtain the omitted information from the offices of the SEC, as described below. We are required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), as amended, to file periodic reports and other information with the SEC. You may inspect or copy information concerning the Company at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at:

Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, NE, Room 1580  
Washington, DC 20549

You may also obtain copies of these materials at prescribed rates from the Public Reference Room of the above office. More information on the operation of the Public Reference Room is available by calling the SEC at either 1-800-SEC-0330 or 1-202-942-8090.

Our filings are available to the public on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). We also make our filings available on our website at <http://ing.us/about-ing/company-overview/financial-reports>. (These uniform resource locators (URLs) are inactive textual references only and are not intended to incorporate the SEC website or our website into this prospectus.) When looking for more information about the Contract, you may find it useful to use the number assigned to the registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933. This number is 333-133076.

**Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference**

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information that we file with the SEC into this prospectus, which means that incorporated documents are considered part of this prospectus. We can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. This prospectus incorporates by reference the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. Form 10-K contains additional information about the Company and includes certified financial statements as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011. We were not required to file any other reports pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since December 31, 2011. All documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the termination of the offering shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the prospectus.

You may request a free copy of any documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus (including any exhibits that are specifically incorporated by reference in them). Please direct your request to:

ING  
Customer Service Center  
P.O. Box 9271  
Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9271  
1-800-366-0066

**Inquiries**

You may contact us directly by writing or calling us at the address or phone number shown above.

**Market Value Adjustment Examples**

**Example #1: Full Surrender — Example of a Negative Market Value Adjustment**

Assume \$100,000 was allocated to a Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest period of 10 years, an initial Index Rate (“I”) of 5%; that a full surrender is requested 3 years into the guaranteed interest period; that the Account Value on the date of surrender is \$115,000; that the then Index Rate for a 7-year guaranteed interest period (“J”) is 6%; and that no prior transfers or withdrawals affecting this Fixed Interest Allocation have been made.

**Calculate the Market Value Adjustment**

1.  $N = 2,555 ( 365 \times 7 )$

2. Market Value Adjustment =  $\$115,000 \times \left[ \left( \frac{1.05}{1.0625} \right)^{2,555/365} - 1 \right] = \$-9,143$

Therefore, the amount paid to you on full surrender, ignoring any surrender charge, is \$105,857 (\$115,000 - \$9,143).

**Example #2: Full Surrender — Example of a Positive Market Value Adjustment**

Assume \$100,000 was allocated to a Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest period of 10 years, an initial Index Rate (“I”) of 5%; that a full surrender is requested 3 years into the guaranteed interest period; that the Account Value on the date of surrender is \$115,000; that the then Index Rate for a 7-year guaranteed interest period (“J”) is 4%; and that no prior transfers or withdrawals affecting this Fixed Interest Allocation have been made.

**Calculate the Market Value Adjustment**

1.  $N = 2,555 ( 365 \times 7 )$

2. Market Value Adjustment =  $\$115,000 \times \left[ \left( \frac{1.05}{1.0425} \right)^{2,555/365} - 1 \right] = \$5,918$

Therefore, the amount paid to you on full surrender, ignoring any surrender charge, is \$120,918 (\$115,000 + \$5,918).

**Example #3: Withdrawal — Example of a Negative Market Value Adjustment**

Assume \$200,000 was allocated to a Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest period of 10 years, an initial Index Rate (“I”) of 5%; that a withdrawal of \$128,000 is requested 3 years into the guaranteed interest period; that the Account Value on the date of withdrawal is \$250,000; that the then Index Rate (“J”) for a 7-year guaranteed interest period is 6%; and that no prior transfers or withdrawals affecting this Fixed Interest Allocation have been made.

First calculate the amount that must be withdrawn from the Fixed Interest Allocation to provide the amount requested.

1.  $N = 2,555 ( 365 \times 7 )$

2. Amount that must be withdrawn =  $\left[ \$128,000 / \left( \frac{1.05}{1.0625} \right)^{2,555/365} \right] = \$139,055$

Then calculate the Market Value Adjustment on that amount.

3. Market Value Adjustment =  $\$139,055 \times \left[ \left( \frac{1.05}{1.0625} \right)^{2,555/365} - 1 \right] = \$-11,055$

Therefore, the amount of the withdrawal paid to you, ignoring any surrender charge, is \$128,000, as requested. The Fixed Interest Allocation will be reduced by the amount of the withdrawal, \$128,000, and also reduced by the Market Value Adjustment of \$11,055, for a total reduction in the Fixed Interest Allocation of \$139,055.

**Example #4: Withdrawal — Example of a Positive Market Value Adjustment**

Assume \$200,000 was allocated to a Fixed Interest Allocation with a guaranteed interest period of 10 years, an initial Index Rate of 5%; that a withdrawal of \$128,000 requested 3 years into the guaranteed interest period; that the Account Value on the date of withdrawal is \$250,000; that the then Index Rate (“J”) for a 7-year guaranteed interest period is 4%; and that no prior transfers or withdrawals affecting this Fixed Interest Allocation have been made.

First calculate the amount that must be withdrawn from the Fixed Interest Allocation to provide the amount requested.

1.  $N = 2,555 (365 \times 7)$

2. Amount that must be withdrawn =  $\left[ \$128,000 / \left( \frac{1.05}{1.0425} \right)^{2,555/365} \right] = \$121,736$

Then calculate the Market Value Adjustment on that amount.

3. Market Value Adjustment =  $\$121,736 \times \left[ \left( \frac{1.05}{1.0425} \right)^{2,555/365} - 1 \right] = \$6,265$

Therefore, the amount of the withdrawal paid to you, ignoring any surrender charge, is \$128,000, as requested. The Fixed Interest Allocation will be reduced by the amount of the withdrawal, \$128,000, but increased by the Market Value Adjustment of \$6,265, for a total reduction in the Fixed Interest Allocation of \$121,736.