Appendix B Cafeteria Plan Information Document Request Items (Rev. 5/98)

- 1. Copies of all form 5500 returns filed, including all schedules, for all fringe benefit plans as well as Cafeteria Plan.
- 2. Copies of all Form 990 returns filed.
- 3. List of all Fringe Benefit plans maintained by the employer.
- 4. Copies of Plan Documents and all amendments for Cafeteria Plan & component welfare benefit plans.
- 5. Summary Plan Descriptions (SPD), policy statements, employee handbooks, enrollment packages and memoranda that describe benefits provided by the employer to <u>all</u> employees.
- 6. Sample copies of election forms.
- 7. Administrative committee or any minutes of the sponsoring employer with respect to the Cafeteria Plan and any component Plan(s).
- 8. Identify each party who administers, maintains and updates the records of the Plans (TPA's). Describe each party's responsibilities.
- 9. Describe claim processing procedure in detail (Flexible spending Accts)
- 10. Select 1 or 2 employees that participate in most of these plans and provide a complete reconciliation between gross wages and W-2 compensation for the taxable years identified above.
- 11. Provide list of groups of employees, of employer who are eligible to participate and groups of employees NOT eligible to participate.
- 12. Provide list of any non-employees participating in Cafeteria Plan & any component plan (independent contractors/non employee directors)
- 13. Provide copies of Non-discrimination tests performed for the Cafeteria Plan under section 125, life insurance under section 79, medical plans under section 105, and dependent care plans under section 129.
- 14. Provide year-end claims register for each welfare benefit and FSA considered part of the Cafeteria Plan.

- 15. State whether bank account is provided by sponsor for TPA to pay claims, with Bank account numbers corresponding to each plan.
- 16. Schedule of all employer and employee contributions made to Cafeteria Plan and any component Welfare Benefit Plan including premiums paid to outside insurance companies.
- 17. Detailed explanation of how FSA forfeitures are handled by employer.
- 18. Copies of insurance policies in effect during the year.
- 19. Copy of any "administrative service only" contracts for TPAs of Cafeteria Plan or any component Welfare Benefit Plan.
- 20. Copy of fidelity bonds covering all persons handling welfare benefit funds.
- 21. Reconciliation of how total costs of fringe benefit plans were determined on Schedule F of Form 5500.

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